

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 25 OF THE CITY OF GRAHAM CODE OF ORDINANCES, PRESCRIBING WATER AND SEWER RATES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Graham, Texas that:

- Section 1. Section 25-12 of the Code of Ordinances is unchanged by this Ordinance and remains in full force and effect.
- Section 2. Section 25-13 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:
(a) The following monthly charges are hereby fixed as the rates to be charged to and paid by all users of treated water within the corporate limits of the city:
(1) First 2,000 gallons, minimum charge..... \$13.50
(2) All over 2,000 gallons, per thousand gallons 2.25
(b) The following monthly charges are hereby fixed as the rates to be charged to and paid by all users of treated water outside the corporate limits of the city, except that treated water contracted for by rural water supply systems shall be charged at the lowest rate prescribed in subsection (a):
(1) First 2,000 gallons, minimum charge..... \$14.75
(2) All over 2,000 gallons, per thousand gallons 2.45
- Section 3. (a) A service fee in the amount of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) will be charged for all residential and small business accounts. Said service fee is payable in advance of connection to all city services.
- Section 4. Section 25-16 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 25-16. Sewer service charges.

(a) Charges for sewer services shall be applied to all dwellings, business units, mobile home spaces, etc., connected to the City water service. The monthly rates to be charged for sewer service for classifications described in Section 25-12 shall be as follows:

Class 1. Sixteen dollars and forty cents (\$16.40) per month for the first two thousand (2,000) gallons of water used, plus one dollar and seventy five cents (\$1.75) for each additional 1,000 gallons of water usage during the most recent months of January, February and March. However the maximum charge shall not exceed twenty two dollars (\$22.00) per month. New customers without history will be charged eighteen dollars and ninety cents (\$18.90) per month until usage history is established.

Class 2. Sixteen dollars and forty cents (\$16.40) per month for the first two thousand (2,000) gallons of water used, plus one dollar and seventy five cents (\$1.75) for each additional one thousand (1,000) gallons of water usage during the most recent months of January, February and March. There is no maximum charge.

New customers without history will be charged an estimated monthly service charge until usage history is established.

Item (b) of Section 25-16 is not changed by this ordinance.
- Section 4. All other provisions and sub-sections contained in Chapter 25 of the Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect and in nowise be affected by this ordinance.
- Section 5. It is hereby declared that an emergency exists and the Charter requirement for three separate readings of Ordinances is suspended; and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage by the unanimous vote of the full Council body.

READ, PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 20th day of September 2007.