

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY, GEORGIA WITH RESPECT TO **WATER AND SEWER RATES AND FEES**; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Commission of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia hereby ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 5-3-77, entitled “Water Rates,” paragraph (a), entitled “Residential rates for water consumed”; paragraph (b), entitled “Nonresidential rates for water consumed”; and paragraph (d), entitled “Monthly Customer Service Fee based on size of water meter,” of the Code of Athens-Clarke County are hereby amended by deleting said paragraphs (a), (b), and (d) in their entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

“(a) *Residential rates for water consumed.* Rates to be charged for the sale of water to consumers whose property is within the definition of residential user as defined in section 5-3-1 herein shall pay a monthly customer service fee in accordance with subsection (d) herein and a base rate of \$3.98 per 1000 gallons.”

“(b) *Nonresidential rates for water consumed.* Rates to be charged for the sale of water to consumers whose property is not within the definition of residential user, as defined in section 5-3-1 herein, shall pay a monthly customer service fee in accordance with subsection (d) herein and a base rate of \$3.98 per 1000 gallons.”

“(d) *Monthly Customer Service Fee based on size of water meter.* Provided, however, that the monthly customer service fee to each customer for the sale of water, as determined by the size of the water meter, shall be as follows:

Meter Size	Monthly Customer Service Fee
5/8 or 3/4 . . .	\$7.51
1 . . .	8.19
1 1/2 . . .	9.88
2 . . .	25.70
3 . . .	33.50
4 . . .	43.54
6 . . .	96.42

There shall be no additional monthly service fee for residential customers with an outdoor water use meter.”

SECTION 2. Section 5-3-80, entitled “Sewer Rates,” paragraph (a), entitled “Residential rates for wastewater discharged,” and paragraph (b), entitled “Nonresidential rates for wastewater discharged,” of the Code of Athens-Clarke County are hereby amended by deleting said paragraphs (a) and (b) in their entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

“(a) *Residential rates for wastewater discharged.* Rates to be charged for wastewater discharged by customers of the Athens-Clarke County sewer system whose property is within the definition of residential user, as defined in section 5-1-32 herein, shall be as follows:

Monthly Customer Service Fee . . . \$7.16
Base Rate per 1000 gallons \$3.45”

“(b) *Nonresidential rates for wastewater discharged.* Rates to be charged for wastewater discharged by customers of the Athens-Clarke County sewer system whose property does not fall within the definition of residential user, as defined in section 5-1-32 herein, shall be as follows:

Monthly Customer Service Fee. . . \$7.16
Base Rate per 1000 gallons \$3.45”

SECTION 3. Section 5-3-76, entitled “Water System Connection Fee,” paragraph (a) of the Code of Athens-Clarke County is hereby amended by deleting said paragraph (a) in its entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

“(a) The water system connection fee shall be based on water meter size as listed below:

Meter Sizes

<i>Inches</i>	<i>Fee</i>
3/4	\$1,277.00
1	\$ 3,194.00
1 1/2	\$6,387.00
2	\$10,219.00
3	\$20,438.00
4	\$31,935.00
6	\$63,870.00

The water system connection fees set forth above shall be charged incrementally over a two-year period as follows: one-half of the fee increase over the fees charged prior to January 1, 2011 shall be charged beginning January 1, 2011; and the full fees as set forth above shall be charged beginning January 1, 2012.”

SECTION 4. Section 5-3-79, entitled “Wastewater Connection Fee,” paragraph (a) of the Code of Athens-Clarke County is hereby amended by deleting said paragraph in its entirety and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

“(a) The wastewater connection fee shall be based on the size water meter serving the wastewater user as listed below:

Meter Sizes

<i>(inches)</i>	<i>Fee</i>
3/4	\$2,016.00
1	\$5,040.00
1 1/2	\$10,080.00
2	\$16,128.00
3	\$32,257.00
4	\$50,401.00
6	\$100,802.00”

The wastewater connection fees set forth above shall be charged incrementally over a two-year period as follows: one-half of the fee increase over the fees charged prior to January 1, 2011

shall be charged beginning January 1, 2011; and the full fees as set forth above shall be charged beginning January 1, 2012.”

SECTION 4. The effective date of this ordinance is July 1, 2010.

SECTION 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.