

1 CITY OF HOMER  
2 HOMER, ALASKA

3 City Manager/Finance Director

4 RESOLUTION 14-060

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6 A RESOLUTION OF THE HOMER CITY COUNCIL MAINTAINING  
7 THE WATER AND SEWER FEES AT THE 2014 RATE AND  
8 UPDATING THE HOMER FEE SCHEDULE ACCORDINGLY.

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10 WHEREAS, Water and sewer utility services shall be reviewed annually and amended,  
11 as necessary, to take effect as of July 1, 2014 with the first billing cycle to take effect following  
12 July 1; and

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14 WHEREAS, The Homer City Council reviewed the current rate model and  
15 recommended no rate changes for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.  
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17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Homer, Alaska, that the  
18 water and sewer fees be maintained at the 2014 rate and the Homer Fee Schedule be updated  
19 as follows:  
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21 **WATER AND SEWER FEES:**

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23 (The following fees have been set by the following legislative enactment HCC Title 14, new  
24 fees set forth in Ordinance 13-30(A), Resolution 13-048(S-2)(A-3), Ordinance 11-43, Resolution  
25 11-094(S), Resolution 11-062(A), Resolution 09-47(S)(A), Resolution 09-48(S)(A), Resolution  
26 07-119 (A), Resolution 07-120(A), Ordinance 06-62(A), Resolution 06-04, Resolution 05-125,  
27 Resolution 05-122, Resolution 05-121(A), Resolution 05-09, Resolution 04-95, Resolution 04-  
28 94(S)(A), Resolution 03-159, Resolution 02-80, Resolution 01-80(A), Resolution 00-123,  
29 Resolution 00-34, Ordinance 00-02, Ordinance 97-17(A), amending the rates set forth in  
30 Ordinance 97-5(S)(A), with amendments by Ordinance 97-7, Ordinance 97-13 and Ordinance  
31 97-14).

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33 Public Works - 235-3170

34 City Hall - 235-8121

35 Billing - 235-8121 x2240  
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37 A 15% admin. fee for replacement parts for water/sewer services, functions, pressure reducing  
38 valves, sewer saddles, any Public Works Department stock item for resale to public.  
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40 Establishing service includes a one-time disconnect - \$30

41 Service calls, inspections, repairs not to exceed one hour - \$25 per employee plus equipment  
42 and materials.

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44 Service calls, inspections and repairs during normal operating hours in excess of one hour  
45 labor: actual labor costs by City plus equipment and materials.

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47 Service calls, inspections and repairs after normal operating hours or on weekends/holidays:  
48 \$50 minimum plus equipment and materials or actual cost incurred by City, whichever is  
49 greater.

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51 SEWER FEES:

52 Sewer Connection and Extension Permit Fee

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54 Single Family \$255

55 Multi-Family/Commercial \$330

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57 Customer classification definitions for determining sewer connection and extension permit  
58 fees:

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60 Single Family Residential – A unit providing housing for one household; with less than 25% of  
61 the building area used for business or commercial purposes.

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63 Multi-Family Residential- A building or lot occupied by more than one household: contained  
64 within one building or several building within one complex. Examples of multi-family units  
65 includes duplexes, four-plexes and up, apartments, condominiums, co-housing projects; and  
66 multiple structures on one lot (where units are normally rented or occupied for longer than one  
67 month at a time). Examples of units not considered as multi-family include hotels, motels,  
68 B&B's seasonal rooms/cabins (where units are routinely rented or occupied for less than one  
69 month at a time.)

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71 Commercial - Any user not defined as Residential.

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73 Sewer Rate Schedule.

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75 All sewer utility services shall be billed according to the following schedule (Table I, II). This  
76 schedule is for monthly sewer services and is in addition to any charges for connecting or  
77 disconnecting the service, installation of the service or any assessment of the improvements.

**Rates**

**Table I**

<b>Customer Classification</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	
	Monthly Service	Usage Charge/Gallon
<b>Lift-Station Customer</b>	\$ -	<b>\$0.0218</b>
<b>Non-Lift-Station Customer</b>		<b>\$0.0147</b>
Multi-units (additional per unit)	\$ <b>5.00</b>	N/A

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**Rates**

**Table II**

<b>Sewer ONLY Customers</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	
	Fees/Rate/Usage	Per Customer Per Month
<b>Lift-Station Customer</b>	<b>\$0.0218/Gal</b>	<b>\$76.30</b>
<b>Non-Lift-Station Customer</b>	<b>\$0.0147/Gal</b>	<b>\$51.45</b>
Monthly Service	<b>\$5.00/customer/mo.</b>	\$5.00
Pumping Fee ( <i>If Applicable</i> )	<b>\$7.75/customer/mo.</b>	\$ 7.75
Assumption: Avg. Sewer Usage	<b>3500 Gal/Mo.</b>	

84 Customer classification definitions for determining sewer rates:

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86 Lift Station Zone Customer: There are eleven sewage lift/pump stations that are used for pumping  
 87 wastewater or sewage from areas with lower elevation than the treatment plant. Customers who are  
 88 located in these areas shall be charged additional fees for the cost added to the services (see Table I &  
 89 II).

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91 Non-Lift Station Zone Customer: Customers who are located in the zone that do not need  
92 lift/pump station services.

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94 Sewer System Dischargers (Sewer ONLY customers): Customers who use sewer service only  
95 shall be charged a monthly fee of \$5 plus sewer usage fee based on assessed volume of 3,500  
96 gallons per month multiplied by the applicable sewage rate (see Table II). Kachemak City Local  
97 Improvement District (LID) members have contributed to the initial cost of the sewer  
98 treatment plant and the collection system. For Kachemak City LID dischargers connected  
99 within the LID, the City of Homer shall bill Kachemak City in one single bill at the Lift-Station  
100 Zone Rate of \$89.05 (\$76.30 +\$5 +\$7.75) per month per customer. Kachemak City shall be  
101 responsible for payment to the City of Homer.

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103 Domestic sewer service customers who use large quantities of City water in addition to their  
104 domestic use shall be allowed, with the Public Works Director's approval, to install an  
105 additional water meter on the domestic water use line for the purpose of metering and  
106 charging for domestic sewer system use. Sewer system use will be billed monthly.

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108 The City will allow, upon approval by Public Works and a permit from the Public Works  
109 Department, a second water usage meter – called a seasonal sewer meter – for each customer  
110 that desires to measure the flow of City water that is not discharged to the sewer system  
111 during the summer growing season, June 15 through September 15. Rates noted above do not  
112 apply.

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114 Seasonal Sewer Meter Fee is \$251.75.

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116 WATER FEES:

117 Water Connection Fee

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119 Single Family \$300

120 Multi-Family/Commercial \$375

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122 Customer classification definitions for determining water connection and extension permit  
123 fees:

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125 Single Family Residential – A unit providing housing for one household; with less than 25% of  
126 the building area used for business or commercial purposes.

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127 Multi-Family Residential- A building or lot occupied by more than one household: contained  
 128 within one building or several building within one complex. Examples of multi-family units  
 129 includes duplexes, four-plexes and up, apartments, condominiums, co-housing projects, and  
 130 multiple structures on one lot (where units are normally rented or occupied for longer than  
 131 one month at a time). Examples of units not considered as multi-family include hotels,  
 132 motels, B&B's seasonal rooms/cabins (where units are routinely rented or occupied for less  
 133 than one month at a time.)

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 135 Commercial - Any user not defined as Residential.

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 137 Water Rate Schedule.

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 139 All water utility services shall be billed according to the following schedule. This schedule is  
 140 for monthly water service and is in addition to any charges for connecting or disconnecting  
 141 the service, installation of the service or any assessment of the improvements.

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Rates	Water	
	Monthly Service	Table III Usage Charge/Gallon
<b>Customer Classification</b>		
<b>Lift-Station Customer</b>	<b>\$ 19.00</b>	<b>\$0.0109</b>
<b>Non-Lift-Station Customer</b>	<b>\$ 19.00</b>	<b>\$0.0109</b>
<b>Multi-units (additional per unit)</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>	
Bulk Water	<b>\$ 19.00</b>	<b>\$0.0149</b>

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144 Customer classification definitions for determining water rates:

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146 Bulk Water Customers: The bulk water customers are the resellers of water or water users  
 147 who purchase water from the water plant directly and are not in the metered water  
 148 distribution system.

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150 Non-Bulk Customers: All customers who receive water from the metered water distribution  
 151 system.

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153 Multi-Units: An additional \$5 monthly charge shall apply to each of the units of a building or  
 154 lot occupied by more than one household or commercial entity contained within one building or

157 several buildings within one complex. Examples of multi-family units include duplexes, four-  
158 plexes and up, apartments, condominiums, co-housing projects, and multiple structures on  
159 one lot (where units are normally rented or occupied for longer than one month at a time).  
160 Examples of units not considered as multi-family include hotels, motels, and B&B's seasonal  
161 rooms/cabins (where units are routinely rented or occupied for less than one month at a time.)  
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163 This fee applies to all multi-unit structures defined in the sewer section of this for apartments,  
164 rental units or multi-unit buildings where each unit would have one or more restrooms and are  
165 intended to be rented on a monthly basis where there is only one meter installed, excluding a  
166 rental building restroom used for shared or public use.

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168 Meter Size Deposits.

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<u>Size (inches)</u>	<u>Residential Users</u>	<u>Nonresidential Users</u>
5/8	\$75.00	\$220.00
3/4	\$80.00	\$230.00
1	\$90.00	\$250.00
1-1/2	\$115.00	\$310.00
2	\$150.00	\$370.00
3	\$220.00	\$525.00
4	\$310.00	\$730.00
6	\$520.00	\$1,225.00

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171 \$750 meter deposit shall apply to metered fire hydrant connections. The deposit will be  
172 returned when the meter is returned undamaged. This deposit may be waived upon the  
173 recommendation of the Public Works Superintendent.

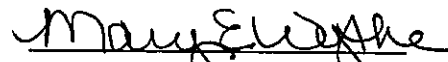
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175 If a bulk water customer purchases a meter from the City for measuring the quantity of water  
176 purchased, it shall be exempt from the monthly meter service charge. It is the responsibility of  
177 the bulk water customer to maintain that meter so the City can accurately determine the  
178 amount of water being purchased. In the event the meter fails, it is the bulk water customer's  
179 responsibility, at its expense, to repair it or purchase a replacement meter from the City. The  
180 City may at any time test the meter for accuracy.

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182 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Homer, Alaska, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June,  
183 2014.  
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CITY OF HOMER

  
MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal Note: Revenue amounts defined in CY2014 budget.