

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA ESTABLISHING CERTAIN CITY FEES EFFECTIVE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016, BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015; AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 14-058 AND PORTIONS OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-045

WHEREAS, the City provides, maintains and operates a variety of programs and services to the public;

WHEREAS, certain sections of the state and municipal code authorize the imposition and collection of fees to defray the costs of providing certain programs and services; and,

WHEREAS, certain fee schedules cite the specific state or municipal authority under which fees and charges are collected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA THAT:

Section 1. The Council hereby determines and finds that:

a. Funds are needed to defray the cost of providing programs and services furnished by the City.

b. The funds needed to defray such operating expenses can and should be obtained by setting fees and charges for these programs and services.

c. The setting of fees and charges for these programs and services is exempt from compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8)(1)-(4) and Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, Section 15273(a)(1)-(4).

Section 2. The penalties, fees, and service charges for Fiscal Year 2015 are adopted as set forth in the City of Santa Barbara Schedule of Penalties, Fees and Service Charges, according to Resolutions 14-045 and 14-058, and shall remain in effect for the duration of Fiscal Year 2015.

Section 3: The penalties, fees, and service charges for the Fiscal Year 2016 for Water Rates and Fees, Parts 1.A, 1.B, and 1.C are adopted per the attached schedule (Exhibit A) and shall be effective July 1, 2015, unless otherwise indicated.

Section 4. Resolution No. 14-058 and Parts 1.A, 1.B, and 1.C of the Water Rates and Fees Section of Resolution 14-045 shall be rescinded on July 1, 2015 when the adopted Fiscal Year 2016 water rates herein take effect.

Section 5. All other fee resolutions in effect and not rescinded herein, shall remain in full force.

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**EXCERPT OF CITY PENALTIES, FEES, AND SERVICE CHARGES
WATER RATES AND FEES SECTION, PARTS 1.A, 1.B, AND 1.C,
PREPARED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016**

1. WATER SERVICE RATES

The following provisions shall govern all fees related to water service for metered connections to the City water system:

- A. **MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE.** A monthly service charge shall be collected for all connections, without regard to actual water use, if any, as follows:

<u>Size of Water Service Meter</u>	<u>Rate (\$/meter/month)</u>
5/8"	\$23.49
3/4"	\$34.19
1"	\$55.61
1 1/2"	\$109.14
2"	\$173.38
3"	\$376.82
4"	\$676.61
6"	\$1,393.98
8"	\$2,571.74
10"	\$4,070.71

Monthly service charges for connections located outside the City limits shall be 130% of the above charges.

- B. **USER CLASSIFICATIONS.** For the purposes of assessing metered water charges provided for in Subsection C below, user classifications shall be determined and corrected by staff, using the following categories:

1. Residential Single-Family Detached: Applicable to all meters serving one detached dwelling unit.
2. 1-4 Units: Applicable to all meters serving two or more detached dwelling units and all meters serving 1, 2, 3, or 4 attached dwelling units.
3. Multifamily Over 4 Units: Applicable to all meters serving five or more dwelling units, any of which are attached.
4. Commercial: Applicable, without regard to meter size, to all accounts serving mercantile buildings, motels and other short term lodging establishments,

office buildings, institutional buildings, schools, churches, and other commercial establishments.

5. Industrial: Applicable to all meters serving laundries (other than self-service laundries), manufacturing facilities, and other industrial facilities.
6. Irrigation-Potable: Applicable to meters substantially limited to outdoor water use and sub-classified as provided in Subparagraphs a. through c. below. All meters under this classification shall be subject to interruption upon declaration of a Stage Three Drought Condition. There shall be no connection between a meter served under this classification and any dwelling or commercial or industrial structure.
 - a. Irrigation-Agriculture: Applicable only to Potable Irrigation meters that serve bona-fide commercial agricultural enterprises, including nurseries. A bona-fide commercial agricultural enterprise is one that grows and sells one or more type of agricultural or horticultural products, for the purpose of producing income from the sale of these products. The amount of water made available in the first tier of metered water usage under this sub-classification shall be based solely on the square footage of the commercial crop area that is planted and irrigated as part of the enterprise. As a condition of the right to receive Irrigation-Agriculture service, the City's Public Works Director may require an account holder to submit to the Director any documentary or other evidence necessary to establish to a reasonable degree of certainty that the property served by the meter is being used to conduct a bona-fide commercial agricultural enterprise as defined above. Such evidence may include tax returns, bills of sale, or similar documents.
 - b. Irrigation - Recreation: Applicable only to Potable Irrigation meters that serve areas used primarily for passive or active recreational purposes, including parks, playgrounds, golf courses, school yards, and publicly owned open spaces and landscaped areas. The amount of water made available in the first tier of metered water usage under this sub-classification shall be based solely on the square footage of the irrigated area served by the meter.
 - c. Irrigation - Urban (Residential/Commercial): Applicable to Potable Irrigation meters serving properties that are primarily residential in use or are zoned for residential use or commercial, industrial, or institutional in use. The amount of water made available in the first tier of metered water usage under this subclassification shall be based on the square footage of the irrigated area served by the meter.

- 7. Recycled Water: Applicable to all meters providing recycled wastewater.
- 8. State Institutional: Applicable to customers that are State agencies located in the unincorporated area of the County of Santa Barbara
- 9. Unincorporated Areas: Applicable to all meters serving properties that are not State agencies and are located in the unincorporated area of the County of Santa Barbara.

C. **METERED WATER CHARGE.** In addition to all other charges imposed by Chapter 14.08 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, including but not limited to the monthly service charges set forth in Subsection I.A. above, water use shall be charged according to the following block rates for those user classifications defined in Subsection B above. Usage shall be measured in units of 100 cubic feet (HCF).

Usage Quantities (Monthly, except as specified)	Rate (\$/HCF)
1. <u>Residential Single Family</u>	
First 4 hcf	\$4.20
Next 12 hcf	\$8.51
Over 16 hcf	\$18.59
2. <u>Multifamily 1-4 Dwelling Units</u>	
First 4 hcf/unit	\$4.20
Next 4 hcf/unit	\$8.51
Over 8 hcf/unit	\$18.59
3. <u>Multifamily Over 4 Dwelling Units</u>	
First 4 hcf/unit	\$4.20
Next 4 hcf/unit	\$8.51
Over 8 hcf/unit	\$18.59
4. <u>Commercial</u>	
Up to 100% of base allotment:	\$6.53
All other use:	\$15.24
5. <u>Industrial</u>	
Up to 100% of base allotment:	\$6.53
All other use:	\$15.24

6. Irrigation - Potable:

The first tier of all irrigation accounts shall be calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Monthly Water Budget} = (ET_o)(.62/748)((PF \times HA)/IE)$$

Where

- ET_o = Reference evapotranspiration (weather factor)
- $0.62/748$ = Conversion factor (inches to HCF)
- PF = Plant factor
- HA = Square footage of irrigated area(s)
- IE = Irrigation efficiency (80%)

The Monthly Water Budget shall be determined using real time monthly ET_o data from a local weather station, plant factors that relate plant-type water use needs to the ET_o , and irrigated area by plant type. Irrigation system efficiency is set at a constant value of 80% for all account types.

Monthly Water Budgets shall be based on irrigated area only. Accounts shall be subject to mandatory ground-truthing measurement at Staff discretion to verify measurement accuracy of irrigated areas and plant types. If ground-truthing measurements are not completed within 2 months after initial contact due to lack of customer response, service may be subject to suspension until irrigated landscaped areas are verified in the field.

a. Irrigation - Agriculture

All Use within Monthly Budget	\$2.43
All other use	\$18.59

HA_c = total crop irrigated area (square feet)

PF_c = 75%

b. Irrigation - Recreation

All Use within Monthly Budget	\$3.70
All other use	\$18.59

HA_t = total irrigated turf area (square feet)

Turf PF_t = 80%

HA_s = total irrigated shrub area (square feet)

Shrub PF_s = 30%

Bird Refuge

Upon finding that there are adequate water resources available to allow such use, the Director may also authorize the sale of up to a total of 21,780 HCF (50 acre feet) per year at the first block recreation rate for use in refilling the Andre Clark Bird Refuge.

c. Irrigation - Urban (Residential/Commercial)

All Use within Monthly Budget	\$8.51
All other use	\$18.59

HA_t = total irrigated turf area (square feet)

For Residential Irrigation, HA_t cannot exceed 20% of total irrigated area. If measurements are greater than 20%, the remainder square footage will be assigned to the HA_s.

PF_t = turf plant factor = 80%

HA_s = total irrigated shrub area (square feet)

For Commercial Irrigation, 100% of total irrigated area is considered HA_s, unless a permitted exception of Landscape Design Standards has been approved.

PF_s = shrub plant factor = 30%

Plant Factor percentage allotments reflect the requirements of the City's Landscape Design Standards for Water Conservation per SBMC 22.80.

7. Recycled Water

All HCF	\$2.96
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8. State Institutional

Up to 100% of base allotment:	\$6.53
All other use:	\$15.24

9. Unincorporated Area. Metered water charges for service to properties located in unincorporated Santa Barbara County shall be 130% of any corresponding in-City rate.

2. EFFECTIVE DATE

Rates and charges specified herein shall be effective July 1, 2015, except for the rates and charges that appear on monthly billings, which shall be effective for bills cycles starting July 1, ~~2014~~2015 or later.