

RESOLUTION NO. 17-090

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AMENDING A PORTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-058 ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 27, 2017, AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN WATER SERVICE RATES, FIXED MONTHLY CHARGES AND METERED VOLUMETRIC CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018, 2019 AND 2020

WHEREAS, the City provides, maintains and operates a municipal water system that provides water service to customers both inside and outside the limits of the City;

WHEREAS, state law and the municipal code authorize the imposition and collection of fees to defray the cost of providing water service to water service customers;

WHEREAS, the City's Water Commission considered, discussed and took public testimony regarding the development of residential customer classes and proposed water rates for Fiscal Years 2018 through 2020 at its meetings on April 20, 2017 and June 15, 2017;

WHEREAS, the City Council has held hearings on the issue of water rates on April 25, 2017, June 20, 2017, and August 15, 2017, and at each of those hearings, members of the public provided input on the rates to the City Council;

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2017, the City Council, under the authority of the California Constitution, considered the development of customer classes and directed staff to develop water service rates using the Service Area Average approach and to no longer distinguish between in-City and out-of-City customers as separate customer classes, as further described in the public Council Agenda Report;

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara has been informed by its financial advisors and financial ratings agencies that the adoption of multi-year water rates reduces financial uncertainty and increases financial security in the debt market;

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2017, the City Council held a noticed public hearing pursuant to Government Code Sections 66013 and 66016 in which it considered imposition of one-time water connection and miscellaneous fees for Fiscal year 2018;

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 17-058 which, among other things, imposed certain Fiscal Year 2018 one-time water fees and re-imposed the Fiscal Year 2017 water service rates for fixed monthly service charges and metered volumetric charges for all water service customers;

WHEREAS, notices of proposed Fiscal Year 2018 through Fiscal Year 2020 water service rates for fixed monthly service charges and metered volumetric charges were mailed to all City of Santa Barbara water service customers in June 2017;

WHEREAS, the notice informed affected customers of their right to submit written protests against the water service rate increases and to attend a public hearing of the water service rate increases held on August 15, 2017;

WHEREAS, the City accepted and caused the tabulation of all written protests against the proposed water service rate increase. Based upon the results of this tabulation, a majority protest against the proposed rate increase does not exist;

WHEREAS, the City Council now determines to amend Resolution No. 17-058 as it pertains to water service rates, fixed monthly service charges, and metered volumetric charges for all water service customers for Fiscal Year 2018 and such amendments shall become effective immediately upon the adoption of this Resolution and to adopt new water service rates, fixed monthly service charges, and metered volumetric charges for all water service customers for Fiscal Year 2019 and Fiscal Year 2020 and such new rates and charges shall become effective on July 1, 2018 and July 1, 2019, respectively;

WHEREAS, the City is experiencing an extreme multi-year drought, and is currently in a Stage Three Drought Emergency. Given that conditions improved slightly with rainfall received in winter of 2017, and planning for continued drought conditions in water supply projections, the City Council adopted Resolution 17-017 establishing a 30% conservation target;

WHEREAS, the City manages a diverse supply portfolio to ensure its customers have a reliable drinking water supply. Each water source, however, has differing supply costs creating variability in water rates from year to year, which is not desirable for customers. Therefore, water rates for Fiscal Year 2018 were developed based on the annual potential yield of each source of potable water supply, subject to capacity and operational constraints, and adjusted proportionally to the City's Fiscal Year 2018 projected water demand;

WHEREAS, the proposed Fiscal Year 2018 through Fiscal Year 2020 water service rates for fixed monthly charges and metered volumetric charges are based on a 2013 Water Rate Study and an updated water rate model for Fiscal Years 2018 through Fiscal Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, the allocation of the City's six water sources to customer classes and tiers is based on priority level. Each tier is charged the weighted average cost of water based on the allocated sources. The highest priority customer tiers receive the least expensive sources of water, limited to that tier's percentage of each priorities' total demand times the water source (or a water source remaining from a higher priority).

- 1 Tier 1 Agriculture. The highest priority use is allocated to tier 1 agriculture (Ag) for efficient agricultural purposes.
- 2 Tier 1 Residential Single Family (SFR)/Tier 1 Residential Multi-family (MFR)/Tier 1 Recreation (Rec) for essential health and safety purposes and efficient irrigation of parks and public spaces.
- 3 Tier 1 Commercial/Industrial for efficient use of commercial and industrial purposes.
- 4 Tier 2 Residential SFR/MFR and Tier 1 irrigation for efficient irrigation needs for residential/commercial with dedicated irrigation meters.
- 5 Tier 2 Ag/Tier 2 Rec/Tier 3 Residential/Tier 2 Irrigation for residential and commercial dedicated irrigation meters/Tier 2 Commercial or Industrial for inefficient use for agricultural, recreation, residential, commercial or industrial purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA THAT RESOLUTION NO. 17-058 BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

## **WATER RATES AND FEES**

Title 14.08 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code authorizes the City Council to set fees for water meters and water service;

Section 14.12.010 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code authorizes the City Council to set the rate for City water for private fire services when the use of a meter is not required; and

The City does currently and wishes to continue to have in effect a water rate structure that reflects an adequate supply of water and promotes the efficient use of such water by its customers.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Wherever used in this resolution the following quoted words shall have the meanings set forth below:

A. A. "Account holder" means the person or entity responsible for payment for water service at a particular property, as shown in the City's water billing records.

B. B. "Master Meter" or "Auxiliary Master Meter" is defined in Santa Barbara Municipal Code 14.04.065

B. C. "Base allotment" means the average monthly consumption on record with the City for the most recent complete off-peak period calculated assuming the maximum days in a monthly billing cycle, or such other level of consumption determined by the Director to represent the average monthly off-peak water usage by a particular customer. An off-peak period for any given customer shall be a period comprised of the service periods charged on bills dated January through June.

C. D. "Director" means the Director of the Department of Public Works or his or her designated representative.

D. E. "Dominant use" means for any meter serving multiple uses, such as an existing meter serving both a residence and a commercial establishment, the use consuming the most water on average. In cases where a meter serves more than one type of use, the meter will be classified based on the dominant use for billing purposes.

E. F. "HCF" means one Hundred Cubic Feet.

F. G. "Service" or "water service" means water provided by or through the water distribution facilities of the City.

## **1. WATER SERVICE RATES**

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

A. **1. MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE.** A monthly service charge shall be collected for all connections, including City sub-meters, without regard to actual water use, if any, as follows. Unless a master meter serves water directly to a dwelling unit without water passing through a City sub-meter, a monthly service charge shall not be collected for a City master meter. The monthly service charges shall be as follows:

Size of Water Service Meter	Rate (\$/meter/month) Effective August 15, 2017	Rate (\$/meter/month) Effective July 1, 2018	Rate (\$/meter/month) Effective July 1, 2019
5/8"	<del>\$25.89</del> \$24.50	\$27.36	\$28.92
3/4"	<del>\$37.65</del> \$35.60	\$39.81	\$42.10
1"	<del>\$61.15</del> \$57.80	\$64.70	\$68.45
1 1/2"	<del>\$119.91</del> \$113.29	\$126.92	\$134.34
2"	<del>\$190.43</del> \$179.89	\$201.59	\$213.40
3"	<del>\$413.74</del> \$390.77	\$438.05	\$463.80
4"	<del>\$742.81</del> \$701.54	\$786.51	\$832.79
6"	<del>\$1,530.25</del> <del>\$1,445.18</del>	\$1,620.34	\$1,715.72
8"	<del>\$2,823.06</del> <del>\$2,666.07</del>	\$2,989.30	\$3,165.32
10"	<del>\$4,459.38</del> <del>\$4,219.93</del>	\$4,712.41	\$4,979.80

**2. MASTER METER (AUXILIARY MASTER METER) OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FEE.** Unless a master meter directly serves water to a dwelling unit without water passing through a City sub-meter, a monthly operations and maintenance fee shall be collected for master water meters, without regard to actual water use, as follows:

Size of Master Meter	Rate (\$/meter/month) Effective August 15, 2017	Rate (\$/meter/month) Effective July 1, 2018	Rate (\$/meter/month) Effective July 1, 2019
2"	\$62.00	\$62.00	\$62.00
3"	\$67.00	\$67.00	\$67.00
4"	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00
6"	\$76.00	\$76.00	\$76.00
8"	\$82.00	\$82.00	\$82.00
10"	\$88.00	\$88.00	\$88.00

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 categories below. Any meter serving multiple uses

shall be classified based on the dominant use.

1. Residential Single Family Detached: Applicable to all meters serving one detached dwelling unit.
2. Multifamily 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, and all meters serving accessory 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. Also applicable to accounts solely serving common areas on multifamily or mixed use properties including but not limited to communal laundry rooms.
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 limited to outdoor water use and subclassified as provided in Subparagraph 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 subclassification shall be based 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 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 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).

The allocation of the City's six water sources to customer classes and tiers is based on priority level. Each tier is charged the weighted average cost of water based on the allocated sources. The highest priority customer tiers receive the least expensive sources of water, limited to that tier's percentage of each priorities' total demand times the water source (or a remaining water source remaining from a higher priority).

1. Tier 1 Agriculture. The highest priority use is allocated to tier 1 agriculture (Ag) for efficient agricultural purposes.
2. Tier 1 Residential Single Family (SFR)/Tier 1 Residential Multi-family (MFR)/Tier 1 Recreation (Rec) for essential health and safety purposes and efficient irrigation of parks and public spaces.
3. Tier 1 Commercial/Industrial for efficient use of commercial and industrial purposes.
4. Tier 2 Residential SFR/MFR and Tier 1 irrigation for efficient irrigation needs for residential/commercial with dedicated irrigation meters.
5. Tier 2 Ag/Tier 2 Rec/Tier 3 Residential/Tier 2 Irrigation for residential and commercial dedicated irrigation meters/ Tier 2 Commercial or Industrial for inefficient use for agricultural, recreation, residential, commercial or industrial purposes.

Usage Quantities (Monthly, except as specified)	Rate (\$/HCF)	Rate (\$/HCF)	Rate (\$/HCF)
	<u>Effective</u>	Effective July 1,	Effective July

	<u>August 15,</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>1,</u> <u>2019</u>
<b>1. Residential Single Family</b>			
First 4 hcf	<u>\$4.44</u> <u>\$4.56</u>	<u>\$4.44</u>	<u>\$4.44</u>
Next 12 hcf	<u>\$12.96</u> <u>\$12.97</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>
Over 16 hcf	<u>\$23.98</u> <u>\$24.27</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>
<b>2. Multi-Family 1-4 Dwelling Units</b>			
First 4 hcf/unit	<u>\$4.44</u> <u>\$4.56</u>	<u>\$4.44</u>	<u>\$4.44</u>
Next 4 hcf/unit	<u>\$12.96</u> <u>\$12.97</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>
Over 8 hcf/unit	<u>\$23.98</u> <u>\$24.27</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>
<b>3. Multi-Family Over 4 Dwelling Units</b>			
First 4 hcf/unit	<u>\$4.44</u> <u>\$4.56</u>	<u>\$4.44</u>	<u>\$4.44</u>
Next 4 hcf/unit	<u>\$12.96</u> <u>\$12.97</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>
Over 8 hcf/unit	<u>\$23.98</u> <u>\$24.27</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>
<b>4. Commercial</b>			
Up to 100% of base allotment	<u>\$6.52</u> <u>\$6.28</u>	<u>\$6.76</u>	<u>\$7.01</u>
All other use	<u>\$23.91</u> <u>\$23.94</u>	<u>\$23.91</u>	<u>\$23.91</u>
<b>5. Industrial</b>			
Up to 100% of base allotment	<u>\$6.52</u> <u>\$6.28</u>	<u>\$6.76</u>	<u>\$7.01</u>
All other use	<u>\$23.91</u> <u>\$23.94</u>	<u>\$23.91</u>	<u>\$23.91</u>

**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 ETo, 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. <u>Irrigation - Agriculture</u>	<u>Effective August 15, 2017</u>	<u>Effective July 1, 2018</u>	<u>Effective July 1, 2019</u>
All Use within Monthly Budget	\$3.01 \$3.42	\$3.01	\$3.01
All other use	\$23.98 \$24.27	\$23.98	\$23.98

$HA_c$  = total crop irrigated area (square feet)

If the crop is a tree species the crop irrigated area is the number of irrigated trees multiplied by the average tree area. The average tree area is the area of a circle with a diameter equal to the average diameter of the drip line of the relevant species. An alternate method to calculate the irrigated area may be used as approved by the Director.

$PF_c = 75\%$

b. <u>Irrigation - Recreation</u>	<u>Effective August 15, 2017</u>	<u>Effective July 1, 2018</u>	<u>Effective July 1, 2019</u>
All Use within Monthly Budget	\$4.11 \$3.77	\$4.48	\$4.88
All other use	\$23.98 \$24.27	\$23.98	\$23.98

$HA_t$  = 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. <u>Irrigation</u> - <u>Urban</u> (Residential/Commercial)	<u>Effective</u> <u>August 15,</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>July 1,</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>July 1, 2019</u>
All Use within Monthly Budget	<u>\$12.96</u> <u>\$12.97</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>	<u>\$12.96</u>
All other use	<u>\$23.98</u> <u>\$24.27</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>	<u>\$23.98</u>
<p>HA<sub>t</sub> = total irrigated turf area (square feet)  For Residential Irrigation, HA<sub>t</sub> cannot exceed 20% of total irrigated area. If measurements are greater than 20%, the remainder square footage will be assigned to the HA<sub>s</sub>.</p> <p>PF<sub>t</sub> = turf plant factor = 80%</p> <p>HA<sub>s</sub> = total irrigated shrub area (square feet)  For Commercial Irrigation, 100% of total irrigated area is considered HA<sub>s</sub>, unless a permitted exception of Landscape Design Standards has been approved.</p> <p>PF<sub>s</sub> = shrub plant factor = 30%</p> <p>Plant Factor percentage allotments reflect the requirements of the City's Landscape Design Standards for Water Conservation per SBMC 22.80.</p>			
7. <u>Recycled Water</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>August 15,</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>July 1,</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>July 1, 2019</u>
All HCF	<u>\$3.42</u> <u>\$3.02</u>	<u>\$3.88</u>	<u>\$4.40</u>
8. State Institutional			
Up to 100% of base allotment	<u>\$6.52</u> <u>\$6.28</u>	<u>\$6.76</u>	<u>\$7.01</u>
All other use:	<u>\$23.91</u> <u>\$23.94</u>	<u>\$23.91</u>	<u>\$23.91</u>

**D. FAILURE TO CONNECT TO RECYCLED WATER SYSTEM.** Where the Director has determined that use of recycled water is feasible at and on a particular property and has notified the account holder for the meter serving such property of this fact as described in Section 14.23.030 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, and thereafter the user has failed to substitute recycled water use for potable water use, the charge for provision of potable water use shall be double the otherwise applicable charge for metered water.

**E. GRANTING OF ADJUSTMENTS TO EXTRAORDINARY WATER CHARGES.**

Upon an account holder's application that is 1) received within 45 days of a relevant billing date, 2) submitted on a form provided by the Finance Director, and 3) supported by detailed written documentation, the Finance Director, or a designee of the Finance Director, shall have the authority to make adjustments to extraordinary water charges in the event of hidden leaks, undetected line breaks, or other circumstances that are demonstrated to be beyond the reasonable control of the account holder. Such adjustments shall be made in accordance with guidelines approved by the City Administrator's Office. However, such adjustments shall in no case result in a cost per HCF that is less than the lowest unit rate for residential customers located within the City limits. The decision of the Finance Director, or said designee, regarding any such adjustment shall be final. Adjustments shall be allowed under this section only once per account, per account holder in any five year period.

**F. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES.** The following miscellaneous fees related to water service shall be charged and collected upon demand:

Service Initiation Fee:	\$47
Service Restoration Fee:	\$64
Administrative Account Transfer Fee:	\$21
Declined Payment Fee: See Finance Administrative Fees	
If a payment is returned for insufficient funds for a second time in any 12 month period, payments will only be accepted via cash, cashier's check, money order or credit card.	
Delinquent Payment Fee: per account, per month, for any billing period in which a delinquent unpaid balance exists	\$8.00
Upgrade of existing fire hydrant to City standard where only the fire hydrant head needs replacement:	
Upgrade to standard residential hydrant:	\$1,655.21
Upgrade to standard commercial hydrant:	\$3,090.00
Fire Hydrant Flow test:	\$154.50
Meter Flow Test:	\$84.46

**G. TAMPERING FEES**

In addition to the fees below, reconnection fees shall be applied. Unauthorized water use via tampering may also be subject to Administrative Penalties per S.B.M.C. Section 1.28.

Damaged/Missing Locks:	\$55.62
Damaged/Missing Locking Brackets:	\$126.69

**H. DAMAGE TO CITY WATER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE**

City shall be reimbursed for the time and material cost to repair damage inflicted on City water system infrastructure and for any water lost as a result of the damage. Any water lost as a result of damage to water system infrastructure shall be billed at the current first block Commercial rate.

**I. LABORATORY ANALYSIS**

City shall be reimbursed at cost for laboratory analyses performed on behalf of private parties.

**J. CHANGE OF ACCOUNT HOLDER UPON TERMINATION OF TENANCY.** Upon termination of utility service by an account holder who is a tenant, the property owner, or agent thereof, shall automatically become the account holder, provided that the City has on file a written request from such property owner or agent authorizing such change. In the event that the account holder is transferred to a new account holder willing to take responsibility for all charges incurred after the most current bill, the Administrative Transfer Fee shall apply in lieu of the Service Initiation Fee.

**3. NON-METERED PRIVATE FIRE SERVICES**

Payable monthly, the rates for City water for private fire services when the use of a meter is not required pursuant to Section 14.12.010 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code shall be as follows:

<u>Size of Service</u>	<u>Monthly Rate Effective August 15, 2017</u>	<u>Monthly Rate Effective July 1, 2018</u>	<u>Monthly Rate Effective July 1, 2019</u>
1"	<u>\$2.88</u> <del>\$2.76</del>	<u>\$3.01</u>	<u>\$3.14</u>
1 1/2"	<u>\$3.83</u> <del>\$3.64</del>	<u>\$4.03</u>	<u>\$4.24</u>
2"	<u>\$5.47</u> <del>\$5.16</del>	<u>\$5.79</u>	<u>\$6.14</u>
4"	<u>\$21.45</u> <del>\$19.99</del>	<u>\$23.02</u>	<u>\$24.70</u>
6"	<u>\$57.76</u> <del>\$53.67</del>	<u>\$62.15</u>	<u>\$66.89</u>
8"	<u>\$120.38</u> <del>\$111.77</del>	<u>\$129.65</u>	<u>\$139.63</u>
10"	<u>\$214.58</u> <del>\$199.17</del>	<u>\$231.18</u>	<u>\$249.06</u>
12"	<u>\$345.13</u> <del>\$320.29</del>	<u>\$371.89</u>	<u>\$400.73</u>

Upon a determination that unauthorized use of water through a fire service or other private main connection has occurred, the Director may assess a fee for each HCF of such use at a rate equal to twice the rate for the first block allotment for Commercial customers.

#### **4. WATER SERVICE CONNECTIONS**

All determinations of the size and location of water service connections, water main connections, and meters shall be subject to the approval of the Director. All water service connections must be installed per City standard details. If not, the customer shall be charged at a time and materials basis for the service to be brought up to City standards. The Director may waive the fee for a service connection or main connection to the recycled water system upon a finding that such connection will promote the efficient and beneficial use of recycled water and will displace existing usage of the City's potable water supply. Fees related to water service connection to the City water system are as follows and are in addition to buy-in fees established by the City Council in separate resolutions:

##### **A. RETAIL WATER SERVICE CONNECTIONS**

Payable at the time of request, service fees for new service connections to the City water system and for water service relocations shall be as follows:

<u>Type of Service Connection</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Add (1) additional 5/8" or 3/4" meter to an existing 1" service, where feasible:	\$1,261.75
1" service with a 5/8" meter:	\$3,802.76
1" service with a 3/4" meter:	\$3,835.72
1" service with a 1" meter:	\$3,858.38
2" service with a 1 1/2" meter:	\$5,892.63
2" service with a 2" meter:	\$5,980.18
1" service & manifold with two 5/8" meters installed at the time of manifold installation:	\$3,944.90
Add (1) additional 5/8", 3/4", 1" or 1 1/2" meter to an existing 2" service, where feasible:	\$1,261.75 per meter
2" service & manifold with multiple meters installed at the time of manifold installation:	\$5,624.83 plus:
5/8" meters (# of meters per manifold outlined in table below):	\$298.70 per meter
3/4" meters (# of meters per manifold outlined below):	\$331.66 per meter

1" meters (# of meters per manifold outlined below):	\$591.22 per meter
1 1/2" meters (# of meters per manifold outlined below):	\$733.36 per meter
Over 2" service:	Sum of Connection Fee and Meter Set Fee
Abandon service	\$1,353.76 per service
Any new service installations that are greater than 4 feet deep and/or require a service trench longer than 20 feet shall be charged an additional time and materials fee.	

1 1/2", 1", 3/4" and 5/8" Meter Combinations Allowed on 2" Manifolds			
# of 1 1/2" Meters	# of 1" Meters	# of 3/4" Meters	# of 5/8" Meters
0	0	5	0
		4	2
		3	3
		2	5
		1	6
		0	8
1	0	2	0
		1	1
		0	3
1	1	0	0
0	1	1	4
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A water service relocation of up to 5 feet or the addition of a meter to a service connection that has an existing meter, except as provided above, shall be charged at the cost of labor and materials plus overhead, provided that installation of a new service connection is not required. Water service relocations of greater than 5 feet shall require installation of a new service connection at fees as specified herein.

For 1" and 2" service connections and manifolds, subject to the prior approval of the Director, a credit of \$960.99 against the otherwise applicable service connection fee may be applied when said service connection is to be installed by the City simultaneously with and in the same customer-excavated trench as a private fire line or private water main.

**B. FIRELINE AND PRIVATE WATER MAIN CONNECTIONS**

Payable at the time of request, fees for water service main connections to the City water system, including private fire lines and other private mains, shall be as follows and shall be in addition to any applicable fees for trench inspections and encroachment permits:

CONNECTION SIZE	CONNECTION FEE
<b>4" MAIN (OR SMALLER)</b>	
2"	\$1,282.35
4"	\$2,138.28
<b>6" MAIN</b>	
2"	\$1,282.35
4"	\$2,275.27
6"	\$2,510.11
<b>8" MAIN</b>	
2"	\$1,282.35
4"	\$1,829.28
6"	\$2,686.24
8"	\$3,304.24
<b>10" MAIN</b>	
2"	\$1,282.35
4"	\$1,832.37
6"	\$2,785.12
8"	\$3,058.07
10"	\$3,649.29
<b>12" MAIN</b>	
2"	\$1,282.35
4"	\$1,873.57
6"	\$2,000.26

8"	\$3,212.57
10"	\$3,850.14
12"	\$3,955.20

Fees for other combinations shall be charged at the cost of labor and materials, plus overhead. The fees for water service main connections shall include only the materials (tee, valve, and valve box) and labor for tapping into the City water system. Contractor is responsible for excavation of the existing water main, traffic control, pipe extension, backfilling, paving, backflow device with in-line detector meter and any other costs. In the event the existing water main or water service main connection is damaged during attachment, an additional fee of \$206 per lineal foot of water line needing repair or replacement shall be charged to the person(s) who caused such damage.

**C. REVIEW AND INSPECTION FEES**

<b>1. WATER DISTRIBUTION</b>	<u>Amount</u>
Plan Review Fee	\$118.45/hour
Pre Work Order Inspection Fee	\$222.48/visit
Inspection Fee	\$222.48/visit

**2. BACKFLOW ASSEMBLIES**

Backflow assemblies are required for all private fireline connections and fire sprinklers, all private water main connections, all dedicated irrigation meters, and as dictated by the City building codes. Backflow devices shall be tested immediately after they are installed and then annually by a certified backflow tester. Payable at time of request, fee for plan review shall be as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Backflow Plan Review – Firelines & Private Mains	\$117.42
Backflow Plan Review – Retail Meters	\$58.71
Backflow Inspection – Firelines & Private Mains	\$509.85
Backflow Inspection – Retail Meters	\$235.87
Enforcement Fee – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Notice to Test	\$99.91
Enforcement Fee – Shutoff/Turn-on	\$202.91

**5. SETTING AND PULLING OF WATER METERS, TEMPORARY FIRE HYDRANT METERS AND TEMPORARY RECYCLED WATER METERS**

Fees related to setting and pulling of water meters, temporary fire hydrant meters and temporary recycled water meters shall be as follows:

- A. Payable at the time of request, service fees for meter setting and/or pulling pursuant to Section 14.08.080 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Meter set where service connection and lateral are already in place:	
5/8" meter	\$ 149.35
3/4" meter	\$ 181.28
1" meter	\$ 440.84
1 1/2" meter	\$ 582.98
2" meter	\$ 670.53
3" meter and above	Time and Materials
2. Reduction in meter size:	
Reduction from 1" or 3/4" to 3/4" or 5/8"	\$ 189.52
Reduction from 1 1/2" or 2" to 1 1/2", 1", or 5/8" or 3/4"	\$ 381.10
Other reductions	Time and Materials
3. Increase in meter size: An enlargement of water service pipes and meters shall be charged at the time of request at the regular charges set by Resolution pursuant to Section 14.08.050 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code.	
4. Replacement of an existing meter with a meter of larger size, where a larger service to the meter is not required:	

<u>Size of New Meter</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/4" or 1" meter	\$ 762.20
1 1/2" meter	\$1,096.95
2" meter	\$1,468.78
Other increases	Cost plus overhead

B. The following fees and deposits shall be assessed and collected for mobile meters, including temporary fire hydrant meters, and meters installed on water trucks or trailers:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Deposit (collected prior to meter installation)	\$1,800.00
Any other equipment	\$ 71.07
2. Fee to install and remove, or relocate a mobile meter	\$ 73.13
3. Fee to install and remove, or relocate a mobile recycled water meter	\$ 101.47



4. Fixed Monthly Service Charge	Per Section 1.A.1.
5. Metered water	For potable water, charged at the prevailing first block rate for commercial customers. For recycled water, charged at the prevailing unit rate for recycled water customers.
6. Water sold via mobile water meters cannot be re-sold to any private entity or used outside of City water service area.	
7. A charge will be deducted from the meter deposit for any damaged or missing equipment, and for assumed water use if the meter is returned in an inoperable or damaged condition. In such cases all relevant documentation, including but not limited to, log sheets and application use estimates shall be used to estimate water use.	
8. Per Santa Barbara Municipal Code 14.25.040, only City staff may install, remove, or relocate mobile meters on, from, or to a fire hydrant. A violation is punishable as an infraction with a penalty of \$250 to \$500.	

**6. EFFECTIVE DATE**

Rates and charges specified herein shall be effective ~~July 1, 2017~~. as follows: (i) for rates and charges to become effective in Fiscal Year 2018, the rates and charges shall take effect immediately upon adoption of this Resolution by the City Council; (ii) for rates and charges to become effective in Fiscal Year 2019, the rates and charges shall take effect on July 1, 2018; and (iii) for rates and charges to become effective in Fiscal Year 2020, the rates and charges shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-090**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            )  
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA    ) ss.  
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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA         )

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Santa Barbara at a meeting held on August 15, 2017, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:                    Councilmembers Jason Dominguez, Gregg Hart, Frank Hotchkiss, Cathy Murillo, Randy Rowse, Bendy White; Mayor Helene Schneider

NOES:                   None

ABSENT:                None

ABSTENTIONS:       None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Santa Barbara on August 16, 2017.



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Sarah P. Gorman, CMG  
City Clerk Services Manager

I HEREBY APPROVE the foregoing resolution on August 16, 2017.

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Helene Schneider  
Mayor