



**CITY OF LEONARD,
FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS**

CITY SERVICE RATES 241008-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS, SETTING THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY RATES AND TRASH RATES REQUIRED TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE CITIZENS OF LEONARD, ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; ESTABLISHING A PENALTY; ESTABLISHING THE NEW RATES AND REPEALING ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the City of Leonard operates a wastewater treatment and collections system and water production, storage, and distribution system as a service to the residents, property owners, and other users of the systems; and

WHEREAS, certain regulations governing the use of the water and sewer systems operated by the City of Leonard are necessary to ensure its orderly and efficient operations and to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Leonard contracts with a trash disposal company to take care of the city's solid waste needs, and that contract has increased annually to accommodate fuel and other costs associated with the transport and disposal of waste; and

WHEREAS, the corresponding city solid waste fees charged to the customers have not increased accordingly over the past several years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to revise the city utility and service rates from time to time to continue to offer utility services and provide for the water and wastewater systems and to provide for the trash contract;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS; THE FOLLOWING SHALL GOVERN THE SALE OF WATER, SEWER, AND TRASH SERVICES BY THE CITY:

**SECTION 1.
WATER RATES**

A) INSIDE CITY LIMITS RESIDENTIAL WATER RATES

Each residential water customer inside the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$25.00 for ¾" meter, \$45.00 for 1" meter, \$85.00 for 1 ½" meter, \$165.00 for 2" meter and \$305.00 for 3" meter.

B) OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS RESIDENTIAL WATER RATES



Each residential water customer outside of the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$50.00 for ¾" meter, \$95.00 for 1" meter, \$185.00 for 1 ½" meter, \$365.00 for 2" meter and \$680.00 for 3" meter.

C) INSIDE CITY LIMITS COMMERCIAL WATER RATES

Each commercial water customer inside of the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$35.00 for ¾" meter, \$65.00 for 1" meter, \$125.00 for 1 ½" meter, \$245.00 for 2" meter and \$455.00 for 3" meter.

D) OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS COMMERCIAL WATER RATE

Each commercial water customer outside of the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$72.50 for ¾" meter, \$140.00 for 1" meter, \$275.00 for 1 ½" meter, \$545.00 for 2" meter and \$1,017.50 3" meter.

E) TIERED VOLUME WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGES

The following tiered volume consumption charges are in addition to the base charge.

Tier 1

The charge from 0 gallons to 10,000 gallons will be \$5.00 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 2

The charge from 10,001 gallons to 20,000 gallons will be \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 3

The charge from 20,001 gallons to 30,000 gallons will be \$7.00 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 4

The charge from 30,001 gallons to 40,000 gallons will be \$8.00 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 5

The charge from 40,001 gallons to 50,000 gallons will be \$9.00 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 6

The charge from 50,001 gallons to unlimited gallons will be \$17.00 per thousand gallons.

**SECTION 2.
SEWER RATES**

A) INSIDE CITY LIMITS RESIDENTIAL SEWER RATES

Each residential sewer customer inside the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$25.00.

B) OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS RESIDENTIAL SEWER RATES

Each residential sewer customer outside the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$50.00.



C) INSIDE CITY LIMITS COMMERCIAL SEWER RATES

Each commercial sewer customer inside the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$35.00.

D) OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS COMMERCIAL SEWER RATES

Each commercial sewer customer outside the city limits shall pay a monthly **base** charge of \$72.50.

E) TIERED VOLUME SEWER CONSUMPTION CHARGES

The following tiered volume consumption charges are in addition to the base charge and are based on the associated water consumption for the billing period.

Tier 1

The charge from 0 gallons to 3,000 gallons will be \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 2

The charge from 3,001 gallons to 5,000 gallons will be \$4.50 per 1,000 gallons.

Tier 3

The charge from 5,001 gallons to 10,000 gallons will be \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons.

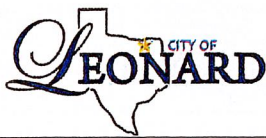
Tier 4

The charge from 10,001 gallons to unlimited gallons will be \$6.50 per 1,000 gallons.

SECTION 3.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL RATES

Residential weekly polycart collection service	\$21.40
Extra polycart	\$7.50
Commercial weekly polycart collection service	\$33.60
Church polycart collection service	no charge
2-yard dumpster 1xweekly	\$74.55
2-yard dumpster 2xweekly	\$134.40
3-yard dumpster 1xweekly	\$94.50
3-yard dumpster 2xweekly	\$157.50
4-yard dumpster 1xweekly	\$115.50
4-yard dumpster 2xweekly	\$199.50
6-yard dumpster 1xweekly	\$141.75
6-yard dumpster 2xweekly	\$247.80
8-yard dumpster 1xweekly	\$173.25
8-yard dumpster 2xweekly	\$289.80
20-yard open-top delivery & haul fee	\$609.00
30-yard open-top delivery & haul fee	\$698.25



40-yard open-top delivery & haul fee

\$766.50

**SECTION 4.
SEVERABILITY**

It is hereby declared by the City Council of the City of Leonard that if any of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases or this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise illegal by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such event shall not affect any remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance.

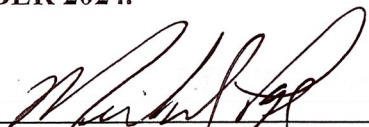
**SECTION 5.
OPEN MEETING**

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by law.

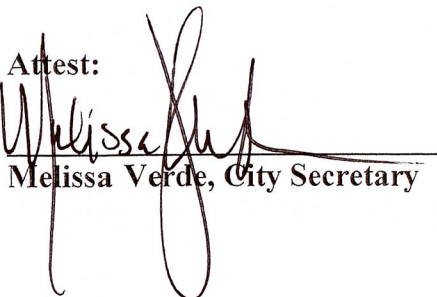
**SECTION 5.
EFFECTIVE DATE**

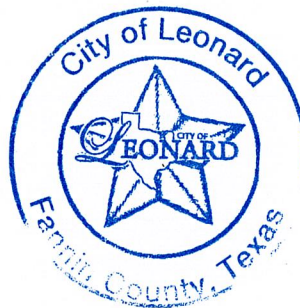
This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2024.


Michael Pye, Mayor

Attest:


Melissa Verde, City Secretary



Current Rates
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$20.00	3/4"
	\$40.00	1"
	\$80.00	1 1/2"
	\$160.00	2"
New	\$300.00	3"

New Rates- Residential
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$25.00	3/4"
	\$45.00	1"
	\$85.00	1 1/2"
	\$165.00	2"
NEW	\$305.00	3"

Current Rates- Residential Outside City Limits
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$45.00	3/4"
	\$90.00	1"
	\$180.00	1 1/2"
	\$360.00	2"
NEW	\$675.00	3"

New Rates- Residential Outside City Limits
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$50.00	3/4"
	\$95.00	1"
	\$185.00	1 1/2"
	\$365.00	2"
NEW	\$680.00	3"

Current Rates- Commercial
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$30.00	3/4"
	\$60.00	1"
	\$120.00	1 1/2"
	\$240.00	2"
NEW	\$450.00	3"

New Rates- Commercial
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$35.00	3/4"
	\$65.00	1"
	\$125.00	1 1/2"
	\$245.00	2"
NEW	\$455.00	3"

Current Rates - Commercial outside city limits
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$67.50	3/4"
	\$135.00	1"
	\$270.00	1 1/2"
	\$540.00	2"
NEW	\$1,012.50	3"

New Rates - Commercial outside city limits
Water

Base Water Rate:	\$72.50	3/4"
	\$140.00	1"
	\$275.00	1 1/2"
	\$545.00	2"
NEW	\$1,017.50	3"

Current Volume Charge

0 - 10,000 gal.	\$5.00 /1,000
10,001 - 20,000 gal.	\$6.00 /1,000
20,001 - 30,000 gal.	\$7.00 /1,000
30,001 - 40,000 gal.	\$8.00 /1,000
40,001 - 50,000 gal.	\$9.00 /1,000
50,000 and up	\$17.00 /1,000

No Change Volume Charge

0 - 10,000 gal.	\$5.00 /1,000
10,001 - 20,000 gal.	\$6.00 /1,000
20,001 - 30,000 gal.	\$7.00 /1,000
30,001 - 40,000 gal.	\$8.00 /1,000
40,001 - 50,000 gal.	\$9.00 /1,000
50,000 and up	\$17.00 /1,000

**Current Sewer Rates
Inside Residential**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$20.00
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**New Sewer Rates
Inside Residential**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$25.00
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**Current Sewer Rates
Outside Residential**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$45.00
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**New Sewer Rates
Outside Residential**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$50.00
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**Current Sewer Rates
Inside Commercial**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$30.00
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**New Sewer Rates
Inside Commercial**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$35.00
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**Current Sewer Rates
Outside Commercial**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$67.50
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**New Sewer Rates
Outside Commercial**

Base Sewer Rate:	\$72.50
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Current Sewer Rates

Sewer Rate	
0-3000	\$3.50
3001-5000	\$4.50
5000-10000	\$5.50
10000- and up	\$6.50

No Change Sewer Rates

Sewer Rate	
0-3000	\$3.50
3001-5000	\$4.50
5000-10000	\$5.50
10000- and up	\$6.50

Your wastewater average is based on meter readings for the clean water you use. Meter readings are taken over the course of three consecutive fall/winter months known as the wastewater averaging period. For example, during your wastewater averaging period you use:

4,000 gallons of water in month 1
4,000 gallons in month 2 and
5,000 gallons in month 3

After adjusting for the number of days in a month, your wastewater average is 4,333 gallons per month.

Wastewater averaging takes place during the late fall/winter months and coincides with seasonal low water use, when many households naturally cut back on irrigation, filling pools, washing cars, and other outside water uses. Therefore, it is easier to estimate the actual amount of water that goes directly into the sanitary sewer system versus being used for outdoor watering.

Since your wastewater average is calculated when your water use is typically lowest, you'll receive the best possible fixed monthly wastewater fee. It won't go up - regardless of how much water you use the rest of the year.