

CITY OF LEONARD
ORDINANCE NO. 260519-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS, AMENDING APPENDIX A, “FEE SCHEDULE,” OF THE CITY OF LEONARD CODE OF ORDINANCES BY REPEALING SECTIONS OF ARTICLE A6.000, “UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES,” TO REMOVE RATES AND CHARGES FOR OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR SERVICE CONNECTION FEES; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS AND REPEALER CLAUSE; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Leonard (the “City”) is a General Law Type A municipality located in Fannin County, Texas, created in accordance with provisions of the Texas Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the current City of Leonard utility rates and charges the City Council desires to recoup certain administrative costs related to the provision of utility services, including, without limitation, water and sewer tap and meter set fees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that amendments to the Fee Schedule proposed herein below are reasonable and necessary in order for the City to continue to provide utility services to the citizens of Leonard, thus the increase in rates serves the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS:

Section 1. Incorporation of Findings. The findings of the City Council set forth above are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. Amendment. Appendix A, “Fee Schedule,” of the City of Leonard Code of Ordinances Article A6.000, “Utility Rates and Charges,” is hereby amended, incorporating the following changes: revising the existing schedule with respect to “Service connection fees,” and repealing existing rate schedules for “Outside City Limits” fees under water and sewer, for both residential and commercial services. Any remaining rate schedules not revised herein remain unchanged.

Section A6.003 **Residential Utility Rates.**

(a) Inside city limits.

(1) Water rates.

(A) Deposit: \$200.00

(B) New water service connection fee:

3/4"	\$3,000.00
1"	\$4,500.00
2"	\$24,000.00

(C) Base rate:

3/4" meter	\$25.00
1" meter	\$45.00
1 – ½" meter	\$85.00
2" meter	\$165.00
3" meter	\$305.00

(D) Consumption charges:

0-10,000 gallons	\$5.00 per thousand gallons
10,001-20,000 gallons	\$6.00 per thousand gallons
20,001-30,000 gallons	\$7.00 per thousand gallons
30,001-40,000 gallons	\$8.00 per thousand gallons
40,001-50,000 gallons	\$9.00 per thousand gallons
50,001-unlimited gallons	\$17.00 per thousand gallons

(E) Reconnection fee: \$50.00.

(2) Sewer rates.

(A) New sewer service connection fee: \$3,000.00.

(B) Base rate: Any meter size: \$25.00.

(C) Consumption charges:

0-3,000 gallons	\$3.50 per thousand gallons
3,001-5,000 gallons	\$4.50 per thousand gallons
5,001-10,000 gallons	\$5.50 per thousand gallons
10,001-unlimited gallons	\$6.50 per thousand gallons

Section A6.004 Commercial Utility Rates.

(a) Inside city limits.

(1) Water rates.

(A) Deposit: \$200.00

(B) New water service connection fee:

3/4"	\$3,000.00
1"	\$4,500.00
2"	\$24,000.00

(C) Base rate:

3/4" meter	\$35.00
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1" meter	\$65.00
1 – 1/2" meter	\$125.00
2" meter	\$245.00
3" meter	\$455.00

(D) Consumption charges:

0-10,000 gallons	\$5.00 per thousand gallons
10,001-20,000 gallons	\$6.00 per thousand gallons
20,001-30,000 gallons	\$7.00 per thousand gallons
30,001-40,000 gallons	\$8.00 per thousand gallons
40,001-50,000 gallons	\$9.00 per thousand gallons
50,001-unlimited gallons	\$17.00 per thousand gallons

(E) Reconnection fee: \$50.00.

(2) Sewer rates.

(A) New sewer service connection fee: \$3,000.00.

(B) Base rate: Any meter size: \$35.00.

(C) Consumption charges:

0-3,000 gallons	\$3.50 per thousand gallons
3,001-5,000 gallons	\$4.50 per thousand gallons
5,001-10,000 gallons	\$5.50 per thousand gallons
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Section 3. Severability. That it is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared void, ineffective or unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such voidness, ineffectiveness or unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation herein of any such void, ineffective or unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Section 4. Savings and Repealer. All provisions of any Ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict; but such repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution for violation of the repealed ordinance, now shall the repeal prevent a prosecution from being commenced for any violation if occurring prior to the repeal of the Ordinance. Any remaining portions of said Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Open Meetings. That it is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Article 551.041 of the Texas Government Code.

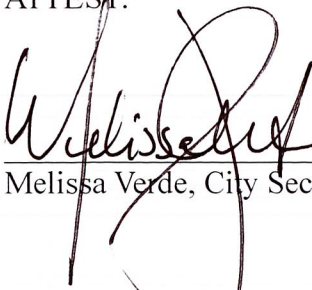
Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as required by law.

DULY PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the Leonard, Texas, on this the 19TH day of MAY 2026.



Michael Pye, Mayor

ATTEST:



Melissa Verde, City Secretary



Utility Fee Schedule

2025-2026 REVISED

WATER	
Water Service Connection Rates	
	\$3,000.00 3/4"
	\$4,500.00 1"
	\$24,000.00 2"
Residential Water Rates	
Base Water Rate:	\$30.00 3/4"
	\$50.00 1"
	\$90.00 1 1/2"
	\$170.00 2"
	\$310.00 3"
Residential Outside City Limits Water Rates	
Base Water Rate:	\$55.00 3/4"
	\$100.00 1"
	\$190.00 1 1/2"
	\$370.00 2"
	\$685.00 3"
Commercial Water Rates	
Base Water Rate:	\$40.00 3/4"
	\$70.00 1"
	\$130.00 1 1/2"
	\$250.00 2"
	\$460.00 3"
Commercial Outside City Limits Water Rates	
Base Water Rate:	\$77.50 3/4"
	\$145.00 1"
	\$280.00 1 1/2"
	\$550.00 2"
	\$1,022.50 3"
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
Sewer Service Connection Rate	
	\$3,000.00 3/4"
SEWER	
Inside Residential Sewer Rates	
Base Sewer Rate:	\$30.00
Outside Residential Sewer Rates	
Base Sewer Rate:	\$55.00
Inside Commercial Sewer Rates	
Base Sewer Rate:	\$40.00
Outside Commercial Sewer Rates	
Base Sewer Rate:	\$77.50
Volume Charge	
0-3000 gal.	\$3.50 /1,000
3,001 - 5,000 gal.	\$4.50 /1,000
5,001 - 10,000 gal.	\$5.50 /1,000
10,001 and up gal.	\$6.50 /1,000