

**An ordinance amending Chapter 24 of the Victoria City Code to change miscellaneous fees therein; repealing all conflicting ordinances; providing for severability; providing for codification and savings clause; and declaring an effective date.**

The City Council finds that the following fees and all of the fees of Chapter 24 of the Victoria City Code (1) are not more than reasonably necessary to cover the cost of providing the services to which they relate, (2) are not more than reasonably necessary to cover the cost of granting the licenses or permits to which they relate and of exercising proper police regulation related to such licenses or permits, and (3) bear a reasonable relationship to the legitimate objects of the regulations related to which those fees are being charged.

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

1.

The following sections of Chapter 24 "Fees," of the Victoria City Code are amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 24-21. City Secretary administered.**

The following fees are established:

Coin operated machines	
Permits .....	\$15.00
Fee for sealed machine release .....	5.00
Commercial outdoor sales	
Registration .....	15.00
Re-registration .....	5.00
Garage sales .....	8.00
Itinerant and secondhand dealers	
Permit fee .....	15.00
Police investigation fee .....	10.00
Itinerant vendors	
Permit fee .....	15.00
Police investigation fee .....	10.00
Limousine permit (per vehicle).....	\$25.00 plus \$10.00 per permitted vehicle
Motor Drawn Touring Vehicle Permit.....	\$25.00 plus \$10.00 per permitted vehicle
Animal-Drawn Touring Vehicle Permit.....	\$25.00 plus \$50.00 per permitted vehicle
Limousine or Touring Vehicle Operator's License .....	8.00
Pool hall permit .....	15.00
Sexually oriented business permit .....	150.00
Street vendor vehicle permit.....	35.00
Taxi cab business license (per vehicle).....	15.00
Taxi cab operators license .....	8.00
Transfer ambulance service	
Application fee .....	150.00
Permit fee (per vehicle) .....	35.00
Tow truck permits	
Per vehicle.....	<del>50.00</del> 15.00
Privilege list:	
First truck .....	450.00
Second and third truck (per each vehicle).....	750.00
Fourth and additional trucks (per each vehicle) .....	1,300.00
Trash haulers permit .....	35.00

**Sec. 24-41. Building and environmental inspection department license fees.**

(a) The annual fee for licenses shall be as follows:

Type of License	
Builder/general contractor .....	\$ 130.00
<del>Unrestricted master electrician.....</del>	<del>85.00</del>
<del>Restricted master electrician.....</del>	<del>75.00</del>
<del>Unrestricted journeyman electrician.....</del>	<del>40.00</del>
<del>Restricted journeyman electrician.....</del>	<del>30.00</del>
<del>Apprentice electrician.....</del>	<del>25.00</del>

(b) Other licensing fees shall be as follows:

Carnival permit, per week.....	\$100.00
Request for variance of carnival permit limit.....	200.00
<del>Electrician's examination (contracted exam proctored by the city).....</del>	<del>\$ 50.00</del>
<del>Electrician's examination prepared, administered, proctored and graded by the city.....</del>	<del>95.00</del>
Fee to renew expired builder/general contractor or electrician's license:	
If renewed within 30 days of the expiration date.....	15.00
If renewed after 30 days of the expiration date.....	50.00

**Sec. 24-43. Building permit fees.**

(a) For one- and two-family residential (R-3) construction and remodeling, the permit fee shall be as follows:

Total Valuation	
\$0.00 to \$1,000.00 .....	<del>\$20.00</del> 30.00 minimum
\$1,001.00 to \$15,000.00 .....	<del>\$20.00</del> 30.00 for the first \$1,000.00, plus \$3.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$15,000.00
\$15,001.00 to \$50,000.00 .....	<del>\$62.00</del> 72.00 for the first \$15,000.00 plus \$2.25 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00 .....	<del>\$140.75</del> 150.75 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$1.60 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00 .....	<del>\$220.25</del> 230.75 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$1.25 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00
\$500,001.00 and up .....	<del>\$720.75</del> 730.75 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$1.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof

(b) For all other types of construction, the permit fee shall be determined as follows:

Total Valuation	
\$0.00 to \$1,000.00 .....	<del>\$20.00</del> 30.00 minimum
\$1,001.00 to \$15,000.00 .....	<del>\$20.00</del> 30.00 for the first \$1,000.00, plus \$4.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$15,000.00
\$15,001.00 to \$50,000.00 .....	<del>\$76.00</del> 86.00 for the first \$15,000.00 plus \$3.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00 .....	<del>\$198.50</del> 208.50 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$2.95 for

	each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00 .....	<del>\$346.00</del> 356.00 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$1.80 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00
\$500,001.00 and up .....	<del>\$1066.00</del> 1,076.00 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$1.15 for each thousand or fraction thereof.

**Sec. 24-44. Sign permit fees.**

(a) On-premise signs: The permit fee to construct, install or erect any sign greater than 32 square feet, other than an off-premise sign (billboard), or to alter the shape or size of any supporting element of any such sign shall be as follows:

Total Valuation	Fee Amount
\$0.00 to \$500.00	\$12.00 minimum
\$501.00 to \$1,000.00	\$12.00 for the first \$500.00, plus \$2.00 for each additional \$100.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$1,000.00
\$1,001.00 to \$15,000.00	\$22.00 for the first \$1,000.00, plus <del>\$3.50</del> 5.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$15,000.00
\$15,001.00 and up	<del>\$71.00</del> 92.00 for the first \$15,000.00, plus \$2.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof

(b) Off-premise (billboard) signs:

Location review permit for billboard	\$100.00
Bill board installation & inspection fee	\$75.00

(c) Banners, Inflatables, pennants and streamers:

Sign Pre-Installation Temporary Banner Permit (requires review of contract for permanent sign location and due diligence inspection for up to two renewals) .....	\$150.00 for initial 60-day permit, fee includes two renewals
Promotional Period Temporary Banner Permit .....	\$30.00 per permit
Inflatables Permit .....	\$30.00 per permit
Pennants and Streamers .....	\$150.00 (6 month validity)

**Sec. 24-48. Mechanical permit fees.**

Fees for mechanical permits and systems shall be as follows:

For each permit issued ..... \$20.00

In addition:

Fee for air conditioning (including attached heating equipment) \$5.00 per unit, plus (per ton) .....	2.30
Refrigeration (per horsepower) .....	2.60
Any non-ducted heat unit .....	2.60
Fee for equipment replacement .....	6.30
Temporary operation inspection fee .....	10.50
Boilers (regardless of size) .....	23.00
Ventilation system (including toilet room ventilation fans) .....	11.00
Exhaust system (including kitchen vent-a-hoods) .....	11.00
Incinerators .....	11.00

Alternate residential mechanical permit fee: The following alternate per square foot fee may be used for residential one- and two-family dwelling units, based on the gross enclosed living area. ~~No base twenty-dollar permit issuance fee will apply when using the alternate per square foot fee;~~ A base fee of \$10.00 shall apply when using the alternate per square foot fee; however, the minimum fee for any mechanical permit shall be not less than ~~\$20.00~~ \$30.00. The alternate per square foot fee is \$10.00 plus \$0.03 per square foot.

**Sec. 24-49. Plumbing permit fees.**

Fees for plumbing permits shall be as follows:

For each permit issued .....	<del>\$20.00</del> \$30.00
In addition:	
For each plumbing fixture, floor drain, or trap (including water and drainage piping) .....	2.40
For each water heater.....	5.25
For each water service line (including shut off valve).....	2.40
For each house sewer (installation or repaired).....	5.25
For alteration or repair of water piping and/or installation of water treating equipment .....	5.25
For each vacuum breaker or backflow protective device:	
Hose bibb vacuum breaker (including up to five (5) devices).....	2.60
plus for each additional device above five .....	0.65
In line backflow preventer 3/4" to 2" .....	4.20
In line backflow preventer over 2" .....	8.40

Alternate residential plumbing permit fee: The following alternate per square foot fee may be used for residential one- and two-family dwelling units, based on the gross enclosed square foot area (including garage). ~~No base twenty dollar permit issuance fee will apply when using the alternate per square foot fee;~~ A base fee of \$10.00 shall apply when using the alternate per square foot fee; however, the minimum fee for any plumbing permit shall be not less than ~~\$20.00~~ \$30.00 (alternate fee does not include natural gas permit fees). The alternate per square foot fee is \$10.00 plus \$0.03 per square foot.

**Sec. 24-50. Natural gas permit fees.**

Fees for natural gas permits shall be as follows:

For each permit issued whether individually or in conjunction with a plumbing permit.....	<del>\$20.00</del> \$30.00
In addition:	
For first one to five gas outlets .....	7.35
Plus for each additional outlet above five.....	1.35
For each furnace or water heater flue vent (including combustion inlet and outlet air vents).....	3.15

**Sec. 24-51. Electrical permit fees.**

Fees for electrical permits and services shall be as follows:

For each permit issued .....	<del>\$20.00</del> \$30.00
In addition:	
Temporary pole fee.....	6.00
Circuits, each .....	1.00
Fixtures and or outlets, each .....	0.20
Motors (1 H.P. and smaller), each .....	1.60
Motors (1 H.P. through 10 H.P.), each .....	2.40
Motors (over 10 H.P. through 25 H.P.), each .....	3.20
Motors (over 25 H.P.), each .....	5.50
Services (up through 60 amperes), each .....	3.00
Services (61 through 100 amperes), each .....	6.00
Services (101 through 200 amperes), each .....	10.00
Services (201 through 400 amperes and above), each .....	20.00
Services (each additional meter).....	3.00
Appliances (range, hot water heaters, dryers, dishwasher, disposal, etc.), each .....	1.50
Equipment (moving picture projector, X-ray, welding machine, transformers, gasoline pump, elevators and all others), each.....	5.00
Signs, each.....	3.00

Alternate residential electrical fee: The following alternate per square foot fee may be used for residential one- and two-family dwelling units, based on the gross enclosed square foot area (including garage). ~~No base twenty dollar permit issuance fee will apply when using the alternate per square foot fee;~~ A \$10.00 base fee shall apply when using the alternate per square foot fee; however, the minimum fee for any electrical permit shall be not less than ~~\$20.00~~ 30.00. The alternate per square foot fee is \$10.00 plus \$0.03 per square foot.

**Sec. 24-61. Planning Department Fees.**

Major Plat Review Fees

<b>Preliminary Plat Review Fee (Public Hearing Required).</b>	
Less than 1 acre .....	<del>\$115.00</del> 125.00
1-5 Acres .....	<del>\$230.00</del> 250.00
More than 5 acres .....	<del>\$400.00</del> 440.00
<b>Final Plat Review Fee (No Public Hearing)</b>	
Less than 1 acre .....	<del>\$75.00</del> 100.00
1-5 acres .....	<del>\$115.00</del> 125.00
More than 5 acres .....	<del>\$290.00</del> 320.00
<b>Final Plat (With "Residential Replat" Public Hearing)</b>	
Less than 1 acre .....	<del>\$115.00</del> 125.00
1-5 acres .....	<del>\$230.00</del> 250.00
More than 5 acres .....	<del>\$400.00</del> 440.00

*Note: In the event of simultaneous submittal of a preliminary and final plat, only the greater of the two fees will be collected.*

Minor Plat Review Fees

Single Lot Minor Plat .....	<del>\$75.00</del> 100.00
Multi-lot Minor Plat .....	<del>\$100.00</del> 125.00

Plat Recording (Filing) Fees

City Filing Fees .....	\$30.00 for plat, plus \$25.00 per page of dedication
County Filing Fees .....	\$61.00 (includes first page of plat, the Clerk's form and tax statement fee), plus \$50 for each additional page of plat

*Note: Filing fees are paid in two separate checks. City filing fees should be made payable to the City of Victoria and County filing fees made payable to the County of Victoria.*

Correcting Plat Fee ..... ~~\$30.00~~35.00

Plat Vacation Review Fee ..... ~~\$60.00~~70.00

Plat Vacation Recording (Filing) Fees

County Filing Fees .....	\$9.00 for first page, plus \$2.00 for each additional page
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*Note: Filing fees are paid by check made payable to the County of Victoria.*

Deed Approval Review Fee ..... ~~\$30.00~~35.00

Variance Request Review Fee

First Request .....	<del>\$115.00</del> 125.00
Each Additional Request .....	<del>\$30.00</del> 40.00

Site Plan Review Fees

Less than 1 acre .....	<del>\$115.00</del> 125.00
1-5 acres .....	<del>\$230.00</del> 250.00
More than 5 acres .....	<del>\$345.00</del> 375.00

Exaction Hearing Application Fee ..... ~~\$300.00~~350.00

Construction Plan Review Fees

Less than 1 acre .....	<del>\$115.00</del> 125.00
1-5 acres .....	<del>\$230.00</del> 250.00

More than 5 acres .....\$345.00375.00

**GIS Fees**

**Standard City Maps:**

Size A (8.5" x 11").....	\$5.00
Size B (11" x 17").....	\$7.00
Size C (17" x 22").....	\$9.00
Size D (22" x 34").....	\$12.00
Size E (34" x 44").....	\$15.00

**Digital Files: (Compact Disc)**

Digital File(s).....	\$30.00 for each disk required
Set of City Aerial Photos.....	\$200
Set of ETJ Aerial Photos.....	\$200
Set of City Planametrics.....	\$200
Set of ETJ Planametrics.....	\$200

Note: All fees shall be paid at the earlier of document filing or application.

**Sec. 24-73. Charges for lost or damaged items.**

When a library item is lost and/or damaged, the patron shall be responsible for payment to the library for the replacement cost of the lost or damaged item. The charges for such lost or damaged item shall include:

- (1) the actual cost of the item to the library, or a default price if item cost is unavailable,
- (2) a processing fee, and
- (3) any overdue fines that may have accumulated, all as set out below:

<u>Media Type</u>	<u>Default Item Price</u>	<u>Processing Fee</u>	<u>Maximum Fine</u>
Hardback books	\$25.00	\$4.00	\$12.50
Paperback books	8.00	4.00	4.00
Tape, cassette	9.00 per tape	<del>4.00</del> 6.00	4.50
Pamphlets	2.00	4.00	1.00
Interlibrary loan	50.00	4.00	10.00
Juvenile magazines	1.00	4.00	0.50
Video tape	40.00 (per tape)	<del>4.00</del> 6.00	20.00
Compact discs	20.00 (per disk)	<del>4.00</del> 6.00	10.00
Multimedia	50.00	<del>4.00</del> 6.00	25.00
<del>Media bag</del>	<del>5.00</del>		
<del>Cassette tape case</del>	<del>1.00</del>		
<del>Compact disc jewel case:</del>			
<del>    Single</del>	<del>1.50</del>		
<del>    Double</del>	<del>2.50</del>		
<del>Video tape display case</del>	<del>2.00</del>		
<del>Cassette liner notes</del>	<del>0.25</del>		
<del>Compact disc liner notes</del>	<del>0.25</del>		
<del>Video tape liner notes</del>	<del>0.25</del>		
<del>Binding</del>	<del>6.25</del>		
<del>Vertical file folder</del>	<del>2.00</del>		
<del>ILL folder</del>	<del>2.00</del>		
DVD	25.00	<del>4.00</del> 6.00	12.50
Books on CD	40.00	<del>4.00</del> 6.00	20.00
Replacement Library Card	1.00		

**Sec. 24-74. Child Care Fee.**

Child 12 or under who remains at the Library beyond closing time... \$50.00 per hour (quarter hour minimum).

**Sec. 24-83. Summer and holiday camp.**

Fees for participation in summer camp or holiday camp are established as follows:

Summer camp registration fee per week/per participant .....	\$35.00
Holiday camp daily entrance fee per week/per participant .....	25.00

**Sec. 24-84. Sports leagues.**

Fees for participating in basketball, football, baseball or softball team sports leagues sponsored by the parks and recreation department are established as follows:

Adult basketball, per team .....	\$225.00
Adult winter basketball, per team .....	300.00
Adult baseball, per team .....	300.00
Adult flag football, per team .....	300.00
Adult Volleyball, per team .....	175.00
<b>Softball</b>	
Spring league, per team .....	\$250.00
Summer league, per team .....	\$300.00
Fall league, per team .....	\$200.00
Winter league, per team .....	<del>280.00</del> 180.00
.....plus \$10.00 per player	
<b>Field rental (tournaments)</b>	
Friday 6:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight .....	\$75.00
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - midnight .....	\$75.00
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - midnight .....	\$75.00
Saturday and Sunday .....	\$150.00
After midnight tournaments, per hour .....	25.00
Forfeit fees, per game forfeited .....	25.00

The director of the department of parks and recreation may establish prices for items sold by the city in concession stand.

**Sec. 24-85. Exclusive Use of Gazebos and Pavilions.**

Rose Garden Gazebo .....	\$30.00 with 3 hour limit
Duck Pond Gazebo .....	\$30.00 with 3 hour limit
DeLeon Plaza Bandstand/Gazebo Weddings .....	\$30.00 with 3 hour limit
DeLeon Plaza Bandstand/Gazebo-Events longer than 3 hours .....	\$50.00 per day
Grover's Bend Pavilion .....	30.00 per day
Ethel Lee Tracy Park Pavilion .....	30.00 per day
Hopkins Park Pavilion .....	30.00 per day
Martin Luther King, Jr. Park Pavilion .....	15.00 per day
Multi-use Pavilion next to Municipal Pool .....	40.00 per day
Ted Reed Park Pavilion .....	30.00 per day

**Sec. 24-123. Charges for sewer service not connected to water service.**

In the event that any person using the sewer system and sewer lines of the city is not a user of water supplied by the Utilities Department of the city, and the water used therein or thereon is not measured by a city water meter or a meter acceptable to the Director of the Utilities Department, then the rate applicable to such user shall be fixed as follows:

- (1) If the use being made is for a residential purposed, then the user shall pay the current monthly sewer service base charge for a ¾ " meter size, plus an amount equivalent to the current monthly sewer consumption rate for the 3000 - 7000 gallon per month tier multiplied by 7 for each dwelling unit.
- (2) If the use being made is for any use other than a residential purpose, then the monthly consumption to be assessed shall be determined by the Director of the Utilities Department, and the current monthly sewer consumption rate shall be applied to determine the monthly sewer service base charge, which shall be determined by the Director of the Utilities Department, based on the monthly consumption, to

determine the total monthly sewer service charge.

**Sec. 24-124. Meter connection fees**

(a) Line prestubbed at no expense to the city. The fee for connecting a meter to a line that has been prestubbed at no expense to the city shall be based on meter size, as follows:

<u>Meter Size (inches)</u>	<u>Connection Fees</u>
¾	\$ <del>135.75</del> 135.00
1	\$ 185.00
1½	\$ 395.00
2	\$ 440.00
3	\$ <del>1,570.00</del> 1,740.00
4	\$ <del>2,850.00</del> 3,800.00
6	\$ <del>4,780.00</del> 6,250.00
8	\$ <del>7,140.00</del> 7,530.00
10	\$ <del>12,920.00</del> 15,340.00

Note for meters larger than 2": Price is for furnishing and delivering the meter and meter strainer to customer. Customer shall install meter and strainer and shall furnish and install required meter box or vault, valves, bypasses, and all other required appurtenances.

(b) Line not prestubbed; line prestubbed at city expense

The fee for connecting a meter to a line that has not been prestubbed, or has been prestubbed by the city shall be based on meter size, as follows:

<u>Meter Size (inches)</u>	<u>Connection Fees</u>
¾	\$ <del>635.75</del> 715.00
1	\$ <del>700.00</del> 770.00
1½	\$ <del>960.00</del> 970.00
2	\$ <del>1,200.00</del> 1,355.00
3	\$ <del>3,070.00</del> 3,475.00
4	\$ <del>4,355.50</del> 5,540.00
6	\$ <del>6,540.00</del> 8,375.00
8	\$ <del>9,450.00</del> 10,460.00
10	\$ <del>15,950.00</del> 19,500.00

Note for meters larger than 2": City shall tap main and stub-out new service to customer's property line and furnish and delivery the meter and meter strainer to the customer. Customer shall install meter and strainer and shall furnish and install required meter box or vault, valves, bypasses, and all other required appurtenances.

Note: Prices do not include cost for boring and casing, if required. Pricing for boring and casing to be added to these prices based on actual cost.

Customers connecting to the water system, but wanting to leave the water "off" until a later date will not be charged a monthly base rate until the account is activated or turned "on", but they will be charged an additional \$25.00 account activation fee when the service is activated.

**Sec. 24-127. Fees for changing meter size.**

The charge for changing the size of an existing water meter shall be as follows:

- (1) When an existing meter is changed to a larger size and a new tap and service line are not required, the fee shall be the difference between the amounts of the connection fees for the two meter sizes.
- (2) When an existing meter is changed to a smaller size, the fee shall be \$50.00 if the larger of the meter sizes is 2", 1 ½", or 1". For 3" and larger meters the fee shall be \$300.00.

(3) When an existing meter is changed to a larger size and a new tap and service line are required, the fee shall be the same as for a new connection in accordance with Sec. 24-124 of this ordinance.

Meters will only be changed when such change is approved by Director of Utilities.

**Sec. 24-128. Fee for temporary water services requiring the use of a fire hydrant meter and all other bulk water sales.**

The monthly fee for temporary water services requiring the use of a fire hydrant meter is hereby set at the same rate as the monthly base charge for a two-inch permanent water meter service. In addition to these fees, all water obtained from such fire hydrant meter shall be paid for at the rate of ~~\$1.80~~ established for the 51,000 - 75,000 gallon per month tier of the current water service consumption charge set forth in Section 24-121 (b) of the Victoria City Code per 1,000 gallons with no gallonage allowance. All other bulk sales of water shall be billed at the rate of ~~\$1.80~~ established for the 51,000 - 71,000 gallon per month tier of the current water service consumption charge set forth in Section 24-121(b) of the Victoria City Code per 1,000 gallons, and shall be subject to the approval of the director of the Department of Utilities.

The fee for establishing temporary water service and installing a temporary fire hydrant meter at a site that is mutually agreed upon by the customer and the Director of Utilities shall be \$75.00.

The fee for moving a temporary fire hydrant meter at the request of the customer to a site that is mutually agreed upon by the customer and the Director of Utilities shall be \$25.00.

**Sec. 24-129. Fee for new service.**

The fee for the turn on of service to a new account shall be ~~\$20.00~~ 25.00. In the event the city is required to turn on the service after normal business hours at the request of the customer, the fee shall be \$30.00. In the event that the city is unable to leave the water on because of plumbing fixtures being left in the "on" position, an additional trip fee of \$10.00 will be assessed for each trip occurring during normal business hours and \$15.00 for each trip occurring after normal business hours.

New sewer customers that do not have an established sewer rate based on a winter average will have a sewer rate calculated by adding the monthly base rate, according to the water meter size, to the monthly sewer consumption charge for the monthly consumption delineated below in accordance with this article. This sewer rate will remain in effect until the next winter average calculation period.

3/4 " .....	7,000 gallons
1" .....	18,000 gallons
1 1/2" .....	45,000 gallons
2" .....	92,000 gallons
3" .....	196,000 gallons
4" .....	545,000 gallons

Consumption for all other meter sizes will be established by the Director of Utilities based on customer supplied consumption predictions and industry standards for that particular customer class.

Existing sewer customers that have an established sewer rate based on a winter average that request a transfer of service to a new address will have a sewer rate calculated by adding the monthly base rate, according to the water meter size, to the monthly sewer consumption charge established at their previous address. This sewer rate will remain in effect until the next winter average calculation period.

**Sec. 24-130. Advance payment of base; disconnection for nonpayment**

The base rate for water services shall be due and payable monthly in advance, together with any consumption charges accrued for the preceding month(s). If these charges are not paid within 24 days after the billing date indicated on the bill, the utility billing office may terminate the account and cause the water service to be disconnected without further notice except as may be required by law, and the account shall not be restored nor the water service reconnected until such charges, together with an additional ~~service restoration~~ nonpayment fee of ~~\$20.00~~ 25.00, are paid. If the service is to be restored during nonbusiness hours the ~~service restoration~~ nonpayment fee shall be \$30.00. In the event the city is required to remove or lock a water meter because of unauthorized use by a user, the user shall be charged an additional lock fee of \$25.00 for removing or locking the meter. In the event that the city finds the lock broken a \$15.00 broken lock fee shall be added to the twenty-five-dollar lock ~~removal~~ fee. In the

event that the cut-off is broken, the cut-off will be replaced and the customer shall be charged for the replacement of the cut-off in accordance with the fee structure established in this article. ~~For "sewer only" accounts, the service restoration fee shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). If the service is to be restored during nonbusiness hours the service restoration fee shall be two hundred twenty five dollars (\$225.00).~~

For "sewer only" accounts, if the account is not paid in full within 10 days of receipt of a certified notification letter, the sanitary sewer service will be plugged. Upon payment in full of all past due and present charges, including any and all non-payment fees and a service restoration fee, the service will be restored. The service restoration fee shall be \$150.00 if a sanitary sewer service cleanout is available and no excavation is required to plug or restore the service. If there is no sanitary sewer service cleanout available, and excavation is required to plug or restore the service, the service restoration fee shall be \$500.00. Sanitary sewer service shall not be restored during non business hours.

**Sec. 24-131. Miscellaneous fees.**

The following fees shall be charged for miscellaneous services relating to water and wastewater:

**Utility billing fees**

Meter re-read fee .....	\$10.00 if the previous reading was correct
Meter test fee .....	Meter 2" and smaller - \$25.00 if the meter tests within established AWWA standards
	Meter 3" and larger - fee to be established by the Director of Utilities based on actual costs if the meter tests within established AWWA standards.

**Industrial pretreatment charges**

Notice of violation (per notice) .....	50.00
Administrative order (per order).....	100.00
Show cause hearing (per hearing).....	500.00
Submittal deficiency reports (per report).....	50.00
Compliance inspection due to violation (per inspection).....	50.00

**Industrial pretreatment permit fees**

Minor (annual renewal) .....	125.00
Significant (annual renewal).....	200.00
Categorical (annual renewal).....	500.00
Sampling (with city specified sampling port) .....	300.00 plus the actual cost of analysis
Sampling (without city specified sampling port) .....	400.00 plus the actual cost of analysis

**Well permits**

The fee for processing a permit application and a permit for a water well or an environmental monitoring well shall be as follows:

Permit fee for well less than 50 feet deep .....	50.00
Permit fee for environmental monitoring well (50 to 100 feet deep).....	\$125.00 + 25.00 per well
Permit renewal fee for environmental monitoring well (payable annually).....	\$50.00 + \$5.00 per well
Permit fee for well in excess of 50 feet deep other than environmental monitoring well .....	\$225.00 + \$25.00 per well (requires city council approval for permit)

**Field operations/water production**

**Curb stop replacement (when broken by other than city personnel)**

3/4 " straight cut-off.....	82.00
3/4 " angle cut-off.....	90.00
1" straight cut-off .....	92.00
1" angle cut-off.....	103.00

Turning on/off water at meter ..... 25.00

(May be waived by Director of Utilities if the customer installs a private cut-off on customer's side of the meter by the customer at the customer's expense within 7 calendar days.)

Moving meter (up to 15 feet)

3/4" .....	250.00
1" .....	275.00
1 1/2 " .....	600.00
2" .....	640.00
3" .....	1,270.00
4" .....	1,270.00
6" .....	1,300.00
8" .....	1,750.00
10" .....	1,900.00

**Moving meter (more than 15 feet)**

3/4" .....	425.00
1" .....	445.00
1 1/2 " .....	650.00
2" .....	750.00
3"--10" .....	Based upon actual cost

Note: When an existing meter or meter prestub is located in an area that will conflict with proposed driveway installations, the customer will be required to have the meter or meter prestub moved in accordance with the fees established in this article.

**Raising or adjusting meters (where the customer has filled or cut-down the property after the meter has been installed)**

3/4" .....	75.00
1" .....	85.00
1 1/2 " .....	410.00
2" .....	450.00
3" to 10" .....	Based upon actual cost

**Moving sanitary sewer services (less than 15 feet)**

4" .....	\$300.00
6" .....	370.00
8" .....	400.00

**Moving sanitary sewer services (more than 15 feet)**

4" .....	\$300 + \$30.00 per linear foot in excess of 15 feet
6" .....	\$370.00 + \$37.00 per linear foot in excess of 15 feet
8" .....	\$400 + \$40.00 per linear foot in excess of 15 feet

Note: When an existing sanitary sewer prestub is located in an area that will conflict with proposed driveway installations, the customer will be required to have the prestub moved in accordance with the fees established in this article.

**Fees for generators of grease or grit trap waste**

Late submittal of report (per report), <del>plus \$5.00 per day the report is late</del> ... 10.00, plus \$5.00 per day the report is late	
General inspection fee for special generators (per inspection) .....	50.00

Sampling (with city specified sampling port) .....	300.00 plus the actual cost of analysis
Sampling (without city specified sampling port) .....	400.00 plus the actual cost of analysis
Fee for clearing grease stoppages that can be traced to a commercial facility.....	400.00-based upon actual costs
Out-of-city water and sewer service charge.....	50% of water service charge and sewer service charge

(to be added to ordinary water and sewer charges)  
 (not applicable to customers whose charges are calculated otherwise by contract).

**Industrial wastewater surcharge.**

Section 13-110 definitions shall apply to this subsection. The additional monthly *industrial wastewater surcharge* shall increase the monthly *sewer service charge* for a user who has had a sampled BOD concentration greater than 200 mg/l and a

TSS concentration greater than 250 mg/l by multiplying the *charge factor* by the *wastewater use charge*, and adding it to the *sewer service charge* as shown below:

$$\text{Charge factor} = [.3 \times (\text{sampled BOD concentration}/200 \text{ mg/l BOD})] + [.3 \times (\text{sampled TSS concentration}/250 \text{ mg/l TSS})] - 0.6 + 0.4$$

*Sewer rate per 1,000 gallons* = the rate that the city charges per 1,000 gallons discharged above the monthly minimum per Section 24-122

$$\text{Wastewater Use Charge} = (\text{sewer rate per 1,000 gallons} \times \text{gallons discharged}) / 1,000$$

$$\text{Industrial Wastewater Surcharge} = \text{Charge factor} \times \text{Wastewater Use Charge}$$

Total monthly wastewater charge for surcharged user = *industrial wastewater surcharge* + *sewer service charges per Section 24-122*

This industrial wastewater surcharge shall apply to grease or grit generators that are deemed to be "users" pursuant to Section 13-131 of the City Code.

If an entity is required to sample its wastewater, then the monthly sewer service consumption charge in Section 24-122 shall be assessed and billed to each sewer system customer on the basis of its metered monthly water consumption. A sampled entity shall not be entitled to a gallonage allowance included in the base charge and shall not be entitled to a computation period based on the last complete three-month period of December, January, and February that preceded the billing date.

2.

All parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

3.

If any provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions, or application thereof, of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

4.

It is the intention of the City Council that this ordinance shall become a part of the Code of the City of Victoria, Texas, and it may be renumbered and codified therein accordingly, in the manner approved by the City Attorney. The Code of the City of Victoria, Texas, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

5.

This ordinance shall become effective 10 days after final passage and approval by the City Council of the City of Victoria, Texas.

PASSED FIRST READING, this the 4TH day of January, 2005.

AYES: 6

NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

PASSED SECOND READING, this the 18TH day of JANUARY, 2005.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

PASSED THIRD READING, this the 18TH day of JANUARY, 2005.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

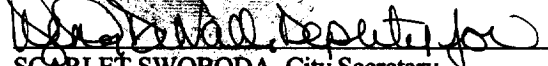
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APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this the 18TH day of JANUARY, 2005.

WILL ARMSTRONG, Mayor of the City of Victoria, Texas

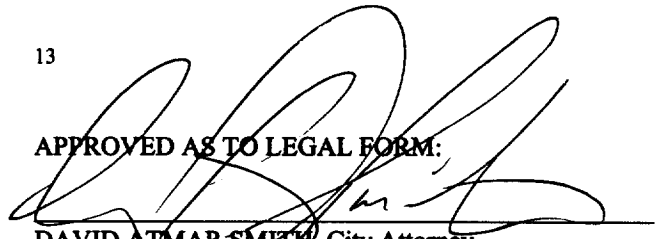
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ATTEST:

  
SCARLET SWOBODA, City Secretary

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DAVID ATMAR SMITH, City Attorney

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