

ORDINANCE NO. 2023- ____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRYANT WATER DEPARTMENT TO AUTOMATICALLY ASSESS ANY PASS-THROUGH CHARGES RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT FROM CENTRAL ARKANSAS WATER AND/OR OTHER AUTHORIZED WATER SUPPLIER(S) TO ITS CUSTOMERS:

WHEREAS, the City of Bryant, Arkansas purchases its water from Central Arkansas Water;

WHEREAS, any increase in rates by Central Arkansas Water (“CAW”) or any other authorized water provider adversely affects City of Bryant Water Department’s ability to provide potable water service to its customers at existing charges, fees, and rates;

WHEREAS, increase in rates by CAW and/or any other authorized water provider shall be automatically passed through to the customers of the Bryant Water Department after review and approval of the City Council of Bryant. Any rate, fee, or charge adjustments received from Central Arkansas Water will be brought to the City Council of Bryant for review prior to adjustment of rates;

WHEREAS, customer rates adjusted for pass through increases will only be adjusted by the proportional amount necessary to provide sufficient income to cover the costs of the increase in charges, fees, and/or rates from CAW and/or any other authorized water provider.

WHEREAS, CAW has provided the City of Bryant with a proposed 10 year rate schedule that will take effect January 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRYANT, ARKANSAS THAT:

Section 1: Rate, Charge, and Fee Increases

1. Volumetric Wholesale Rate Increase

Updated Volumetric Rate

Central Arkansas Water	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
Wholesale Rates											
Bryant Water and Sewer	\$ 1.24	\$ 1.24	\$ 1.46	\$ 1.62	\$ 1.74	\$ 1.88	2.02	2.12	2.22	2.34	2.46

- a) Customer pass through increase to monthly minimum water usage charge:
 - January 1, 2024: \$.22
 - January 1, 2025: \$.16
 - January 1, 2026: \$.12
 - January 1, 2027: \$.14
 - January 1, 2028: \$.14
 - January 1, 2029: \$.10
 - January 1, 2030: \$.10
 - January 1, 2031: \$.12
 - January 1, 2032: \$.12

2. Infrastructure Per-Meter Monthly Charge

Central Arkansas Water	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
Rate Schedule										
5/8"	\$ -	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.75	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.50	\$ 2.50	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.75	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.25
3/4"	-	0.75	1.13	1.50	2.25	3.75	5.25	5.63	6.00	6.38
1"	-	1.25	1.88	2.50	3.75	6.25	8.75	9.38	10.00	10.63
1.5"	-	2.50	3.75	5.00	7.50	12.50	17.50	18.75	20.00	21.25
2"	-	4.00	6.00	8.00	12.00	20.00	28.00	30.00	32.00	34.00
3"	-	8.75	13.13	17.50	26.25	43.75	61.25	65.63	70.00	74.38
4"	-	15.75	23.63	31.50	47.25	78.75	110.25	118.13	126.00	133.88
6"	-	32.50	48.75	65.00	97.50	162.50	227.50	243.75	260.00	276.25
8"	-	70.00	105.00	140.00	210.00	350.00	490.00	525.00	560.00	595.00
10"	-	105.00	157.50	210.00	315.00	525.00	735.00	787.50	840.00	892.50
12"	-	132.50	198.75	265.00	397.50	662.50	927.50	993.75	1,060.00	1,126.25

- a) Customer pass through increase to monthly water bill in the form of “CAW Infrastructure Fee”:
 Fee is based on meter size.

3. Watershed Protection Fee:

- a) All customers will be charged a pass-through monthly fee per meter, with the fee determined by meter size as follows:

METER SIZE (diameter)	WATERSHED PROTECTION FEE
5/8" and 3/4"	\$.90
1"	\$1.35
1 1/2"	\$2.25
2"	\$4.50
3"	\$7.20
4"	\$13.50
6"	\$22.50
8"	\$45.00
10"	\$72.00

Section 2: General Repealer

All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, which are inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

Section 3: Severability

Should any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared or adjudged invalid or unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the Ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged or unconstitutional was not originally part of the Ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Allen Scott, Mayor

Mark Smith, City Clerk