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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mark D. Boughton via the Common Council

FROM: Dena R. Diorio, Director of Finance & Personnel *Dena*

DATE: March 29, 2005

SUBJECT: Water Use Rates

Attached please find the ordinances required to set the Water Use Rates and related fees and charges for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2005.

I am requesting that the Common Council consider these ordinances at its meeting in April.

Please feel free to contact me should you require any additional information. Thank you.



ORDINANCE

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COMMON COUNCIL

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-13 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 21-13. Duty of plumbers to report connections.

It shall be the duty of each and every plumber in the city to make return in writing at the office of the superintendent of public utilities, during the first week of each month, of all connections or extensions of service pipe made by him and not previously returned, giving the location of the premises by street and number, if possible, the name of the owner or occupant, the character of the work, and the number of hydrants, baths, water closets, fountains, hose and fixtures connected with such works. For each failure to comply with this section, each plumber shall forfeit and pay to the city the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and the same may be collected from him in an action brought on this section in the name of the city. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of public utilities to report for prosecution all willful violations of this section.

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Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-16 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-16. Trespassing on, injuring reservoirs, damaging waterworks property.

Every person who shall disturb, meddle with or fish in the waters of the reservoir, or skate or walk upon the ice of said reservoirs except with the express permission of the superintendent of public utilities, or shall trespass upon any part of the grounds connected therewith, except upon the walk, or shall willfully injure any pipe or other property used in connection with the waterworks shall, in addition to any penalty established pursuant to state law, be subject to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

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Every person who shall disturb, meddle with or fish in the waters of the reservoir, or skate or walk upon the ice of said reservoirs except with the express permission of the superintendent of public utilities, or shall trespass upon any part of the grounds connected therewith, except upon the walk, or shall willfully injure any pipe or other property used in connection with the waterworks shall, IN ADDITION TO ANY PENALTY ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO STATE LAW, be subject to a fine of not more than ~~thirty~~ ONE HUNDRED dollars (~~\$3~~ 100.00) ~~or imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days or both such fine and imprisonment.~~

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Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Subsection (a) of Section 21-42 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-42. Quarterly non-metered rates.

- (a) The following are established as the quarterly non-metered rates for the use of water, which rates shall be in effect for all bills rendered on or after July 1, 2005: two hundred and forty dollars and sixty-nine cents (240.69) per unit.

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THAT Subsection (a) of Section 21-42 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-42. Quarterly non-metered rates.

- (a) The following are established as the quarterly non-metered rates for the use of water, which rates shall be in effect for all bills rendered on or after July 1, 2004 2005: TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY DOLLARS AND SIXTY-NINE CENTS (\$240.69) PER UNIT. \$192.55/unit.

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Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-44 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby repealed and the following language substituted in its place:

Sec. 21-44. Same – Ownership, installation, repair, testing, billing.

- a) The water use of each consumer shall be metered. All piping for meters shall be plumbed by the customer at his own expense. For purposes of this section a “water meter” shall include any associated meter reading device.
- b) The city shall furnish, install, maintain, test and repair all water meters one inch or less in size and used by the city for the purpose of billing public water system customers. The city shall bear all costs so incurred.
- c) The city shall furnish, install, maintain, test and repair all water meters exceeding one inch in size and used by the city for the purpose of billing public water system customers for new water service initiated after July 1, 2005. The customer shall bear the expense of the new meter acquisition and installation and the city shall bear the expense of future maintenance, repair and if necessary, replacement of the meter.
- d) In the event of a change of property use by a customer that results in the need for a replacement meter exceeding one inch in size, the customer shall bear the expense of new meter acquisition and installation and the city shall bear the expense of future maintenance, repair and if necessary, replacement of the meter.
- e) All customers owning water meters on the effective date of this ordinance that are used by the city for the purpose of billing public water system and that exceed one inch in size may elect to continue to own, maintain and repair said meters or may elect, at any time, to have the city furnish, own, install, maintain, and repair new meters. If a customer elects to have the city replace an existing meter, the customer shall bear the expense of the new meter acquisition and installation and the city shall bear the expense of future maintenance, repair and if necessary, replacement of the meter.
- f) All meters shall be subject to testing by the city at intervals as determined by the Superintendent of Public Utilities and at such other times as deemed necessary by said Superintendent. Whenever the city conducts a test of a water meter exceeding one inch in size pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, the cost of the test shall be billed to the customer.
- g) For purposes of this section, meter acquisition and installation costs shall be set by the Superintendent of Public Utilities and shall be generally equivalent to the cost of equipment, materials and services paid by the city.
- h) This section shall be effective on July 1, 2005.



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COMMON COUNCIL

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-46 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-46. Meter rates generally.

(a) The following water meter rates shall be charged for those areas served and specified by the superintendent of public utilities. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2005, and are based on the consumption per thousand gallons (MG) as follows:

(a 1) 5/8-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>	
0-1.....	\$ 10.28
2	11.37
3	12.46
4	13.55
5	14.64
6	15.73
7	16.82
8	17.91
9	19.00
10	20.09
11	21.18
12	22.27
13	23.36
14	24.45
15	25.54

(b 2) 3/4-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>	
0-1.....	\$ 15.98
2	17.07
3	18.16
4	19.25
5	20.34
6	21.43
7	22.52
8	23.53
9	24.61
10	25.79
11	26.88
12	27.97
13	29.06
14	30.15
15	31.24



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(e 3) 1-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>	
0-1.....	\$ 33.05
2.....	34.14
3.....	35.23
4.....	36.32
5.....	37.41
6.....	38.50
7.....	39.59
8.....	40.60
9.....	41.68
10.....	42.86
11.....	43.95
12.....	45.04
13.....	46.13
14.....	47.22
15.....	48.31

(b) The following water meter rates shall be charged for those areas served and as specified by the superintendent of public utilities. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2005, and are limited to the first fifteen thousand (15,000) gallons of consumption and are based on the consumption per thousand gallons (MG) as follows:

Size of Meter (inches)	
1 ½.....	\$ 151.38
2.....	222.00
3.....	492.00
4.....	983.88
6.....	1,967.74
8.....	3,935.53
10.....	7,871.05

(c) For water consumed in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) gallons and less than thirty thousand (30,000) gallons for any size meter the charge shall be three dollars and cents (\$3.08) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2005.

(d) For water consumed in excess of thirty thousand (30,000) gallons and less than seventy five thousand (75,000) gallons for any size meter the charge shall be three dollars and fifty-five cents (\$3.55) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2005.

(e) For water consumed in excess of seventy five thousand (75,000) gallons for any size meter the charge shall be four dollars (\$4.00) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, 2005.

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Sec. 21-46. Meter rates generally.

(A) The following water meter rates shall be charged for those areas served and specified by the superintendent of public utilities. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, ~~2004~~ 2005, and are based on the consumption of PER thousands of gallons (MG) as follows:

(a 1) 5/8-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>		
0-1.....		\$ 8.57 <u>10.28</u>
2.....		9.49 <u>11.37</u>
3.....		10.40 <u>12.46</u>
4.....		11.31 <u>13.55</u>
5.....		12.24 <u>14.64</u>
6.....		13.13 <u>15.73</u>
7.....		14.05 <u>16.82</u>
8.....		14.97 <u>17.91</u>
9.....		15.88 <u>19.00</u>
10.....		16.79 <u>20.09</u>
11.....		17.70 <u>21.18</u>
12.....		18.63 <u>22.27</u>
13.....		19.52 <u>23.36</u>
14.....		20.43 <u>24.45</u>
15.....		21.34 <u>25.54</u>

(b 2) 3/4-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>		
0-1.....		\$ 13.32 <u>15.98</u>
2.....		14.23 <u>17.07</u>
3.....		15.14 <u>18.16</u>
4.....		16.06 <u>19.25</u>
5.....		16.96 <u>20.34</u>
6.....		17.87 <u>21.43</u>
7.....		18.74 <u>22.52</u>
8.....		19.71 <u>23.53</u>
9.....		20.61 <u>24.61</u>
10.....		21.53 <u>25.79</u>
11.....		22.54 <u>26.88</u>
12.....		23.35 <u>27.97</u>
13.....		24.26 <u>29.06</u>
14.....		25.19 <u>30.15</u>
15.....		26.10 <u>31.24</u>

(e 3) 1-inch size meter:

<i>Usage (MG)</i>	
0-1.....	\$ 27.54 <u>33.05</u>
2.....	28.45 <u>34.14</u>
3.....	29.36 <u>35.23</u>
4.....	30.27 <u>36.32</u>
5.....	31.18 <u>37.41</u>
6.....	32.09 <u>38.50</u>
7.....	33.01 <u>39.59</u>
8.....	33.92 <u>40.60</u>
9.....	34.84 <u>41.68</u>
10.....	35.73 <u>42.86</u>
11.....	36.67 <u>43.95</u>
12.....	37.57 <u>45.04</u>
13.....	38.48 <u>46.13</u>
14.....	39.40 <u>47.22</u>
15.....	40.31 <u>48.31</u>

(d B) The following water meter rates shall be charged for those areas served and as specified by the superintendent of public utilities. Such rates are for quarterly billings rendered on or after July 1, ~~2004~~ 2005, and are limited to the first fifteen thousand (15,000) gallons of consumption AND ARE BASED ON THE CONSUMPTION PER THOUSAND GALLONS (MG) AS FOLLOWS:

Size of Meter (inches)	
1 ½.....	\$ 126.15 <u>151.38</u>
2.....	185.00 <u>222.00</u>
3.....	410.00 <u>492.00</u>
4.....	819.90 <u>983.88</u>
6.....	1,639.78 <u>1,967.74</u>
8.....	3,279.61 <u>3,935.53</u>
10.....	6,559.21 <u>7,871.05</u>

(e C) For water consumed in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) gallons AND LESS THAN THIRTY THOUSAND (30,000) GALLONS for any size meter the charge shall be ~~two THREE~~ THREE dollars and ~~fifty-seven~~ EIGHT cents (~~\$2.57~~ 3.08) per one thousand (1,000) gallons. SUCH RATES ARE FOR QUARTERLY BILLINGS RENDERED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2005.

(D) FOR WATER CONSUMED IN EXCESS OF THIRTY THOUSAND (30,000) GALLONS AND LESS THAN SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND (75,000) GALLONS FOR ANY SIZE METER THE CHARGE SHALL BE THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY-FIVE CENTS (\$3.55) PER ONE THOUSAND (1,000) GALLONS. SUCH RATES ARE FOR QUARTERLY BILLINGS RENDERED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2005.

(E) FOR WATER CONSUMED IN EXCESS OF SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND (75,000) GALLONS FOR ANY SIZE METER THE CHARGE SHALL

BE FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00) PER ONE THOUSAND (1,000) GALLONS. SUCH RATES ARE FOR QUARTERLY BILLINGS RENDERED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2005.

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THAT Section 21-47 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-47. Additional rates and charges for special uses.

In addition to the rates set forth in sections 21-42 and 21-46, the following rates and charges are hereby established for all bills rendered on or after July 1, ~~2004~~ 2005:

(1) Hydrant use by contractors, ~~per 100 gallons~~ \$ ~~1.25~~ 500.00 PLUS AN ADDITIONAL \$2.50 PER ONE HUNDRED (100) GALLONS.

(2) The following quarterly rates shall be charged for water service to premises for fire protection purposes:

<i>Size of Connection (inches)</i>	<i>Charge for Three Months</i>
4 and under	\$106.48 <u>133.10</u>
6	119.66 <u>249.58</u>
8	292.83 <u>366.04</u>
10	399.30 <u>499.13</u>
12	532.41 <u>665.52</u>

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ORDINANCE

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COMMON COUNCIL

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Subsection 21-48(a) of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-48. Connection charges.

(a) *Connection fee.* If no prior water assessment has been paid on the premises to be connected to the Danbury public water system pursuant to section 21-56 et seq. hereof, then no connection permit shall be issued and no actual connection made until a connection fee is paid to the city according to the following:

- (1) The connection fee for buildings devoted to residential uses shall be fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) per dwelling unit; and
- (2) The connection fee for buildings devoted to either nonresidential or mixed uses shall be as follows:

Building Size (Floor Area s.f.)	Connection Fee
up to 5,000 s.f.	\$ 2,500.00
from 5,001 s.f. to 10,000 s.f.	\$ 10,000.00
from 10,001 s.f. to 25,000 s.f.	\$ 20,000.00
from 25,001 s.f. to 50,000 s.f.	\$ 30,000.00
over 50,000 s.f.	\$ 50,000 plus \$100 for each 1,000 s.f. or part thereof over 50,000 s.f.

- (3) With respect to all new water services requiring a meter exceeding one inch in size and with respect to all changes of property use by a customer that results in the need for a meter exceeding one inch in size, the cost of meter acquisition and installation shall be paid by the customer. Said costs shall be in addition to the connection fees described herein. For purposes of this section, meter acquisition and installation costs shall be set by the Superintendent of Public Utilities and shall be generally equivalent to the cost of equipment, materials and services paid by the city.

Whenever a change in use results in the addition of residential units or the expansion of the floor area of a nonresidential or mixed use, the connection fee associated with said change in use shall be calculated by subtracting the connection fee that would be due hereunder for the old use from the connection fee that would be due hereunder for the new use.

The provisions of this subsection shall be effective on July 1, 2005.

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- (1) The connection fee for buildings devoted to residential uses shall be FIFTEEN ~~five~~ hundred dollars (\$1500.00) per dwelling unit, ~~but in no event shall said connection fee exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) per building;~~ and
- (2) The connection fee for buildings devoted to either nonresidential or mixed uses shall be as follows:

Building Size (Floor Area s.f.)	Connection Fee
up to 5,000 s.f.	\$ <u>2,500.00</u>
from 5,000-001 from 5,000 s.f. to 10,000 s.f.	\$ 10,000.00 10,000.00
from 10,001 s.f. to 25,000 s.f.	\$ 20,000.00 20,000.00
from 25,001 s.f. to 50,000 50,000 75,000 s.f.	\$ 30,000.00 30,000.00 45,000.00
over 50,000 50,000 75,000 s.f.	\$ 20,000.00 50,000 PLUS \$100 FOR EACH 1,000 S.F. OR PART THEREOF OVER 50,000 S.F.

(3) WITH RESPECT TO ALL NEW WATER SERVICES REQUIRING A METER EXCEEDING ONE INCH IN SIZE AND WITH RESPECT TO ALL CHANGES OF PROPERTY USE BY A CUSTOMER THAT RESULTS IN THE NEED FOR A METER EXCEEDING ONE INCH IN SIZE, THE COST OF METER ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION SHALL BE PAID BY THE CUSTOMER. SAID COSTS SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE CONNECTION FEES DESCRIBED HEREIN. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, METER ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION COSTS SHALL BE SET BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND SHALL BE GENERALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE COST OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND SERVICES PAID BY THE CITY.

WHENEVER A CHANGE IN USE RESULTS IN THE ADDITION OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS OR THE EXPANSION OF THE FLOOR AREA OF A NONRESIDENTIAL OR MIXED USE, THE CONNECTION FEE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID CHANGE IN USE SHALL BE CALCULATED BY SUBTRACTING THE CONNECTION FEE THAT WOULD BE DUE HEREUNDER FOR THE OLD USE FROM THE CONNECTION FEE THAT WOULD BE DUE HEREUNDER FOR THE NEW USE.

~~Connection fees may be waived by action of the common council, provided that the city benefits from the connection by permitting future extension to said connection.~~

The provisions of this subsection shall be effective on July 1, 2005.

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COMMON COUNCIL

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Section 21-49 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-49. Tank truck loads.

When the superintendent of public utilities determines that water is available for tank truck load sale, water shall be billed at the following rates for all such water purchased on or after July 1, 2005.

	Per truck load
Up to 500 gallons.....	\$ 50.00
from 501 to 1000 gallons.....	\$ 100.00
from 1001 to 3000 gallons.....	\$ 300.00
from 3001 to 5000 gallons.....	\$ 500.00
more than 5000 gallons.....	\$1,000.00

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THAT Section 21-49 of the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-49. Tank truck loads.

When the superintendent of public utilities determines that water is available for tank truck load sale, water shall be billed at THE FOLLOWING RATES ~~eighty-three cents (\$0.83) per one hundred (100) gallons or a fraction thereof~~ for all such water purchased on or after July 1, ~~1990~~ 2005.

	<u>PER TRUCK LOAD</u>
<u>UP TO 500 GALLONS.....</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>
<u>FROM 501 TO 1000 GALLONS.....</u>	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
<u>FROM 1001 TO 3000 GALLONS.....</u>	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
<u>FROM 3001 TO 5000 GALLONS.....</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
<u>MORE THAN 5000 GALLONS.....</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

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