# ORDINANCE NO. 630

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CHARGES FOR WATER AND SEWER ACCORDING TO THE RATES AND CHARGES ON FILE WITH THE CITY SECRETARY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 19-152 AND 19-154 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR POLICIES OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY ARE INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS;

## Section One

Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 19-152 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Columbia, Texas, the following rates and charges shall be fixed, charged and collected by the City for water, sewer, garbage and services incidental thereto:

- 1. WATER RATES. The following monthly rates shall be and are hereby fixed and shall be charged and collected by the City for water services. Each separate business, living quarters and other patron shall pay not less than the minimum monthly charge as follows:
  - A. Inside the City limits, the rates shall be as follows:

| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons           | \$13.00 |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$4.55  |
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B. Outside the City Limits, the rates shall be as follows:

| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons           | \$26.00 |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$9.10  |

C. Furnished to apartment complexes, the rates shall be as follows:

| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons per unit  | \$13.00 |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$4.55  |

- 2. SEWER RATES. The following monthly rates shall be and are hereby fixed and shall be charged and collected by the City for sanitary sewer services. Each separate business, living quarters and other patron shall pay not less than the minimum monthly charge as follows:
  - A. Residential and Regular Commercial Customers.
    - 1. Inside the City Limits, the rates shall be as follows:

| Gallons of Fluid Introduced into the Sanitary Sewer System per Month | Charge/Mo. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons                                      | \$13.00    |
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons                            | \$4.55     |

2. Outside the City Limits, the rates shall be as follows:

| Gallons of Fluid Introduced into the      |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Sanitary Sewer System per Month           | Charge/Mo. |
| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons           | \$26.00    |
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$9.10     |

3. Furnished to apartment complexes, the rates shall be as follows:

| Gallons of Fluid Introduced into the      |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Sanitary Sewer System per Month           | Charge/Mo. |
| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons           | \$13.00    |
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$4.55     |

- B. Special Commercial and Industrial Customers.
  - 1. <u>Monthly Service Charge</u> -- (Exclusive of the surcharge of any other applicable charges.)

| Gallons of Fluid Introduced into the Sanitary Sewer System per Month | Charge/Mo. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Minimum and first 1,500 gallons                                      | \$13.00    |
| All over 1,500 gallons, per 1,000 gallons                            | \$4.55     |

#### Section Two

That Section 19-154 f the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Columbia, Texas, shall be and is hereby amended so that such section shall read as follows:

(3) For the purpose of computing the monthly service charge, each sanitary sewer patron of the City shall be presumed to introduce into the sanitary sewer system of the City, each month, the number of gallons equal to ninety percent (90%) of the number of gallons of water used by said patron as metered by the City for the same billing cycle.

## Section Three

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the severable provisions of this ordinance are severable, and if any court of competent jurisdiction enters a final order which holds that any section, sub-section, sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of this ordinance is invalid, illegal, or otherwise unenforceable, then any such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and any such ruling shall not affect any other provisions of this ordinance which are not specifically designated as being illegal, invalid or unenforceable.

#### Section Four

Any and all rules, ordinances, police regulations, resolutions, and or policies of the City of West Columbia, whether written, or otherwise, which are in any manner in conflict with or inconsistent with this ordinance, shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict and/or inconsistency.

## Section Five

This ordinance shall be effective from and after the date of its passage and approval.

PASSED and APPROVED this 8th day of September, 2014.

AURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:

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