



2024 UTILITY RATES: FEE STRUCTURE



Facts

Average daily water usage is 2.5 million gallons, peak demand reaches 7 million gallons (primarily due to irrigation)



One-third of the City's Water and Utility Infrastructure is 50+ years old



1.4 million gallons of wastewater is treated daily



City utilities cover a service area of approximately 19.5 square miles

Revenue collected from utility bills is used to maintain and upgrade the City's water treatment infrastructure and wastewater systems; 2024 rates were set by the City Council in December 2023.

Water Rates/1,000 gallons*

Tier 1	Up to 10,000 gallons	\$3.64
Tier 2	10,000-20,000 gallons	\$4.37
Tier 3	20,000-30,000 gallons	\$5.68
Tier 4	Over 30,000 gallons	\$8.53

*Based on usage.

City Sewer Rates/1,000 gallons*

Tier 1	Up to 10,000 gallons	\$2.73
Tier 2	10,000-20,000 gallons	\$3.28
Tier 3	20,000-30,000 gallons	\$4.26
Tier 4	Over 30,000 gallons	\$6.39

*Based on usage.

*2024 MCES Sewer Rate \$3.40

- An average single family home with 4 occupants uses 14-18k gallons per billing cycle during the winter.
- Utility bills include a service fee of \$40.01 which covers about 25% of the fixed costs associated with providing water and sewer services.
- MN State Surcharge of \$1.62 is collected and sent to the state to pay for water quality initiatives.
- Stormwater Management Fee is \$21.31 for residential users.
- For detailed descriptions of additional charges on your bill, see the back side of your invoice.

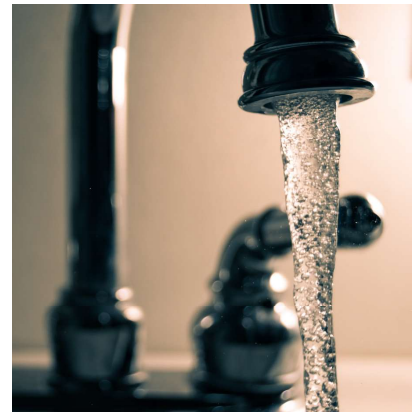
MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL RATES

Base Rates:

# of Units at Property	Base Fee/bill
100+	\$3,000
50-99	\$2,000
20-49	\$800
10-19	\$400
Under 10	\$80

Usage Rates:

Water - \$5.37 per 1,000 gallons
 Sewer - \$3.82 per 1,000 gallons
 2024 MCES Sewer Rate \$3.40



Rate Structure Goals

- **Promote water conservation.** Summer water usage is three-times higher than in the winter largely due to irrigation.
- **Charge more equitably for usage.** The tiered rate system help recover City costs from the users who use the most.
- **Maintain City infrastructure.** The base fee provides a stable source of revenue to ensure the City can cover the system's fixed costs.

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