

ORDINANCE NO. 1679

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND,
CALIFORNIA, TO INCREASE RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Woodland City Council has previously established water and sewer rates;
and

WHEREAS, California law allows the City to recover the full cost of providing water and sewer service to customers, including the cost of sources of water, treatment facilities, pipelines, and other infrastructure, through the establishment of water and sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the existing water and sewer rates do not adequately recover the City's costs of providing services to customers and the City contracted with the firm HDR Engineering, Inc. to prepare a water rate study and a sewer rate study, which analyzed the city's water and sewer rate revenues and cost of their respective operations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on October 5, 2021, authorized City staff to mail the notices required by Proposition 218 to all property owners and water customers and on that same date set December 7, 2021, as the date for a public hearing on the proposed adoption of increased water and sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, the City sent mailed notices to all property owners and water and sewer customers on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to establish water and sewer rates that do not exceed the cost to the City of providing the service for which the fees and charges are imposed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing and taken testimony from all interested persons and accepted written protests from all persons wishing to protest the adoption of the new water and sewer rates, as required by Article 13D, Section 6 of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, as of the close of the public hearing, the City Clerk attested that written protests against the proposed fee or charge were not presented by a majority of owners or customers of the affected parcels.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND DOES
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The City Council hereby adopts the recitals and findings set forth above and in the staff report prepared in connection with this ordinance.

Section 2. The City Council hereby adopts, by not less than a two-thirds vote pursuant to Government Code section 5471, the water and sewer rate schedules set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. This Ordinance supersedes and voids all prior ordinances, resolutions, and other Council actions, which are inconsistent with its terms, including all prior ordinances and resolutions establishing or amending water or sewer rates.

Section 4. Adoption of this Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines (14CCR 15061(b)(3)). CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. It is therefore found and declared that the adoption of the water and sewer rate schedules in this ordinance will not have a significant effect on the environment, as the consumption-based water rates herein adopted will encourage water conservation.

Section 5. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof and intends that the invalid portions should be severed and the balance of the Ordinance be enforced.

Section 6. Effective Date. The increased water and sewer rates shall be effective as of January 1, 2022.

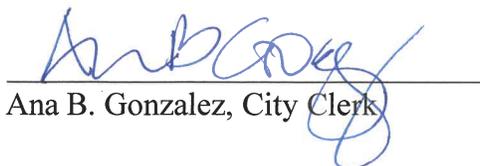
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Woodland at a regular meeting held on the 4th day of January, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Members Fernandez, Garcia-Cadena, Lansburgh, Stallard and Mayor Vega
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None



Mayra Vega, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ana B. Gonzalez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Ethan Walsh, City Attorney

Exhibit "A"
Water Rate Schedule

The water rates and effective dates for implementation are as follows:

Present Rates	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Proposed Adjustment*	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	
Effective Date	1/1/2022	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	1/1/2025	1/1/2026	
Meter Charge <i>(All customer classes)</i>						
3/4"	\$55.65	\$54.55	\$56.20	\$57.90	\$59.65	\$61.45
1"	55.65	54.55	56.20	57.90	59.65	61.45
1 1/2"	55.65	54.55	56.20	57.90	59.65	61.45
2"	55.65	54.55	56.20	57.90	59.65	61.45
3"	99.00	102.50	105.60	108.80	112.10	115.40
4"	165.00	170.80	175.00	181.30	186.80	192.40
6"	329.40	340.95	351.30	361.90	372.80	384.10
8"	329.40	545.50	562.00	579.00	596.50	614.50
10"	329.40	784.45	808.20	832.60	857.80	883.70
Consumption <i>(per ccf)</i>						
Residential						
0-12 CCF	\$3.98	\$4.04	\$4.16	\$4.28	\$4.41	\$4.54
13-36 CCF	4.79	4.72	4.86	5.00	5.15	5.30
36+ CCF	5.89	6.10	6.28	6.46	6.66	6.86
Non Residential						
Uniform Rate	\$5.18	\$5.14	\$5.29	\$5.45	\$5.61	\$5.78
Landscape						
Uniform Rate	\$5.86	\$5.29	\$5.45	\$5.61	\$5.78	\$5.95

Sewer Rate Schedule

The sewer rates and the effective dates for their implementation are as follows:

Present Rates Proposed Adjustment*	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Effective Date	1/1/2022	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	1/1/2025	1/1/2026	
Single Family Rates						
Fixed Charge						
Per Account	\$ 62.15	\$ 62.15	\$ 64.65	\$ 65.95	\$ 67.27	\$ 68.61
Multi Family Rates						
Fixed Charge						
Condo/Apartmt/3plex	\$ 40.55	\$ 40.55	\$ 46.61	\$ 47.54	\$ 48.50	\$ 49.47
Duplex	50.35	50.35	51.44	52.47	53.51	54.58
Non-Residential Rates						
Fixed Charge						
Low Strength	\$ 37.70	\$ 37.70	\$ 10.36	\$ 10.56	\$ 10.77	\$ 10.99
Med Strength	37.70	37.70	37.65	38.40	39.17	39.95
High Strength	37.70	37.70	40.56	41.37	42.20	43.04
Volume Charge						
Low Strength	\$ 7.75	\$ 7.75	\$ 7.49	\$ 7.64	\$ 7.79	\$ 7.94
Med Strength	8.95	8.95	8.46	8.63	8.80	8.98
High Strength	10.17	10.17	9.90	10.10	10.30	10.51
Schools Rate						
Fixed Charge						
Per Account	\$ 37.70	\$ 37.70	\$ 10.36	\$ 10.56	\$ 10.77	\$ 10.99
ADA Charge						
Per ADA	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.83	\$ 1.86	\$ 1.90	\$ 1.94