Ordinance No. 2024-03

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE CITY OF EDEN, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the following facts exist:

The City of Eden received a commitment in November 2018 from USDA Rural Development for \$ 6,645,000 to replace water distribution and sewer collection lines for the City. The funding includes a total of \$3,877,000 grant funds and a USDA RD loan of \$2,768,000 resulting in a bond payment of about \$90,000 over 40 years.

There was no rate increase in 2021; however, national gas rates rose significantly in 2022, as did the cost of water and sewer supplies. This caused a significant increase in O&M costs and increased the annual budget. The FY2022 audited financials show a significant loss in the Water and Sewer department.

Water/Sewer Rates ("Water/Sewer Rates") attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein the same as if fully copied and set forth at length, the City Council of Eden, Texas, finds as follows:

If the O&M costs are below the amount collected the excess funds shall be utilized for system upgrades or placed in reserve funds for future water or sewer system improvements or maintenance or other infrastructure needs.

The Water/Sewer Rates provide a reasonable allocation of water and sewer charges among the users of the City's municipal water and sewer system.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED by the City Council of the municipality of Eden, Concho County, Texas, that the Water/Sewer Rates in Exhibit "A" shall, effective September 16, 2023, be charged for water and sewer provided to users of the City of Eden water and sewer system.

Number of votes FOR: 5

Number of votes AGAINST: 0

Adopted this 16 day of September 2023.

Agapito Torres, Mayor

ATTEST:

Priscilla Aguirre, City Secretary

Exhibit "A"

<u>Water</u>

CLASS A- RESIDENTIAL		GALLONS	GALLONS
1	MIN/1,000 GALLONS	₩)	3,000
2	\$3.40	3,001	10,000
3	\$4.65	10,001	40,000
4	\$5.88	40,001	AND ON
CLASS B- COMMERCIAL			
1	MIN/1,000 GALLONS	s -	5,000
2	\$3.40	5,001	25,000
3	\$4.65	25,001	100,000
4	\$5.88	100,001	1,000,000
5	\$7.12	100,000,001	AND ON

MINIMUM RATE CHARGE/METER

			Old Rate	New Rate – Sept 2023
COMMERCIAL	IN	LARGE	\$70.76	\$77.84
COMMERCIAL	IN	REGULAR	\$64.00	\$70.40
COMMERCIAL	OUT	LARGE	\$82.58	\$90.83
COMMERCIAL	OUT	REGULAR	\$75.82	\$83.40
RESIDENTIAL	IN	LARGE	\$49.66	\$54.62
RESIDENTIAL	IN	REGULAR	\$45.16	\$49.67
RESIDENTIAL	OUT	LARGE	\$57.54	\$63.29
RESIDENTIAL	OUT	REGULAR	\$53.03	\$58.34
SPRINKLER ALONE			\$49.66	\$54.62

<u>Sewer</u>

	OLD	NEW
RESIDENTIAL	\$25.64	\$28.20
COMMERCIAL	\$25,64 PLUS \$1,62/1,000 GAL WATER USED	\$28.20 PLUS \$1.78/1.000 GAL WATER USED