

**ORDINANCE NO. 979**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLASGOW,  
MONTANA, ADOPTING NEW RESIDENTAL AND COMMERCIAL WATER  
CHARGES, AND THEREBY AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE  
CITY OF GLASGOW, MONTANA**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Glasgow (the “City”) is authorized by Montana law to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, aesthetic appearance, and welfare of the City. Mont. Code Ann. § 7-1-4123;

**WHEREAS**, The City held a public hearing on July 5, 2022, regarding proposed water rate increases and received comments and feedback; and

**WHEREAS**, The City desires to adopt provisions to facilitate the operation and administration of the water system (the “System”) of the City of Glasgow (“City”):

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
GLASGOW, MONTANA:**

The following provisions are hereby adopted:

**Section 1: Section 20-26 Water Rates Established.**

The rates and charges to be assessed by the City to each water customer, effective October 23, 2022, shall be as follows:

- 1. Base Rate Charge**, the following table shows the annual 2% increase on the base rate for each size of service:

Line/Meter Size	Oct. 2021-Sept. 2022	Oct. 2022–Sept. 2023	Oct. 2023–Sept. 2024	Oct. 2024–Sept. 2025	Oct. 2025–Sept. 2026	Oct. 2026-Sept. 2027
Residential ¾”	\$28.15	\$28.71	\$29.29	\$29.87	\$30.47	\$31.08
Commercial ¾”	\$28.15	\$28.71	\$29.29	\$29.87	\$30.47	\$31.08
Commercial 1”	\$28.15	\$28.71	\$29.29	\$29.87	\$30.47	\$31.08
Commercial 1 ¼”	\$42.23	\$43.07	\$43.94	\$44.81	\$45.71	\$46.63
Commercial 1 ½”	\$42.23	\$43.07	\$43.94	\$44.81	\$45.71	\$46.63
Commercial 2”	\$56.31	\$57.44	\$58.58	\$59.76	\$60.95	\$62.17
Commercial 3”	\$56.31	\$57.44	\$58.58	\$59.76	\$60.95	\$62.17

2. **Charge Based on Gallons Used.** An additional charge based on a rate of \$1.78 per one thousand gallons (1000) of water used will be assess for each meter or connection on a monthly basis. The council may from time to time increase the rates and charges in accordance with subsections (4) and (5).
3. **Subject to minimum meter charge.** Once City water service to a lot or parcel of real property has been established in accordance with applicable city ordinances, resolutions, regulations, and procedures, the real property shall pay the monthly minimum base rate set by the City, which shall be payable twelve (12) months of the year.
4. **Determination of Annual Budget for System.** At least once each year the City Council shall determine the amount of money needed to pay the costs of the System, including, but not limited to: (a) the payment of the reasonable expense of operation and maintenance of the System; (b) administration of the System; and (c) the establishment or maintenance of any required reserves, including reserves needed for expenditures for depreciation and replacement of facilities, as may be determined necessary from time to time by the Council. Based on the annual needs of the System, the council will establish monthly charges for use of the System.
5. **Further Rate Increases.** Subsequent adjustments to the rates and charges for the use of the System will be made by a resolution of the Council duly adopted after a public hearing with notice thereof give as provided by law.

Section 2: Repealer. All resolutions, ordinances, and sections of the Municipal Code and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby, repealed.

Section 3: Codification. This Ordinance shall be codified as follows: Chapter 20, Article III. Section 20-26.

Section 4: Severability. Invalidity of a section of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections or parts of sections.

Section 5: Conflicts with existing code sections. In the occasion a conflict exists between the regulations of this chapter and other code or ordinance sections of the Glasgow City Code, the terms and provisions of this chapter shall take precedence.

Section 6: Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after final passage and approval.

Section 6: Editor to re-arrange Chapter. The Editor, Municipal Code Corporation, is hereby authorized to replace Chapter 20, Article III. Section 20-26 of the existing code.

FIRST PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Glasgow, Montana, at a regular session thereof held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2022.

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APPROVED:

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ROD KARST, Mayor

ATTEST:

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STACEY A. AMUNDSON  
City Clerk-Treasurer

FINALLY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Glasgow, Montana, at a regular session thereof held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of August, 2022.

APPROVED:

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ROD KARST, Mayor

ATTEST:

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