

**BYLAW 2020-2033**  
**A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF ESTEVAN IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN TO ESTABLISH, CHARGE AND COLLECT RATES, CHARGES, RENTS AND DEPOSITS APPLICABLE TO THE PROVISION OF WATERWORKS, SANITARY SEWERAGE AND STORM DRAINAGE UTILITY SERVICES BY THE CITY OF ESTEVAN.**

WHEREAS under the authority of Part III, Division 2 of *The Cities Act*, the City may establish, set and collect rates, charges, tolls, fares and rent for the provision of utility services and may set the time and place and the manner in which they will be payable;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Estevan deems it necessary and desirable to do so;

NOW, THEREFORE, Council of the City of Estevan hereby enacts as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE:

- (1) This Bylaw may be cited as the “Waterworks, Sanitary Sewerage and Storm Drainage Rates Bylaw”.

2. FORMER BYLAW REPEALED:

- (1) That Bylaw No. 2018-1994 of the City of Estevan, Saskatchewan and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed; such repeal shall not prejudicially affect any matter or thing whatever done, existing or pending at the time of such repeal.

3. WATERWORKS, SANITARY SEWERAGE AND STORM DRAINAGE SERVICES RATES:

That Schedule “A” entitled “Schedule of Waterworks, Sanitary Sewerage and Storm Drainage Utility Services Rates” attached hereto be the current rates, charges, tolls and fares for the provision of utility services by the City of Estevan under the Waterworks, Sanitary Sewerage and Storm Drainage Bylaws, as adopted by Council of the City of Estevan.

4. ENFORCEMENT OF PAYMENT:

- (a) The payment of rates or charges, as provided by this Bylaw, may be enforced by all or any of the following methods:
  - 1) by action in any court of competent jurisdiction
  - 2) by shutting off the water service
  - 3) by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of any person owing such rates or charges wherever the same may be found in the City.

- (b) Where the person is the owner or purchaser of a building lot or part of a lot served by the City's waterworks, sanitary sewer or storm drainage utility systems, the sum payable by him for the utility services supplied by the City to him or for his use, all rates, costs and charges made to him imposed under this Bylaw are preferential lien and charge on the personal property of the debtor and may be levied and collected in like manner as municipal rates and taxes are recoverable.
- (c) When the person to whom the utility service has been provided is other than the owner or purchaser of the lot or part of a lot, the sum payable by the person in debt shall be a preferential lien and charge on the lot or part of a lot serviced by the utility and may be levied and collected in like manner as municipal rates and taxes are collected.

5. **PENALTIES:**

Any person who fails to comply with the provisions of this Bylaw shall on summary conviction by a Court of competent jurisdiction, be liable to a penalty of not more than:

- (a) two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars, in the case of an individual
- (b) five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, in the case of a corporation

and by imprisonment in default of payment of the fine for a term not exceeding ninety (90) days.

6. **SEVERABILITY:**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or other portion of this Bylaw is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, that portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and the holding of the Court shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.


7. EFFECTIVE DATE:

This Bylaw shall come into force and effect January 1, 2021.

CITY OF ESTEVAN



Roy Ludwig  
Mayor



Judy Pilloud  
City Clerk

Read a first time this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November , 2020

Read a second time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020

Read a third time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020

SCHEDULE "A" TO BYLAW 2018-

SCHEDULE OF WATERWORKS, SANITARY  
SEWERAGE AND STORM DRAINAGE UTILITY  
SERVICES RATES

- (1) Minimum charge per two-month period applied to each customer connected to the water system:

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Service Rate</u>
5/8" ( 15 mm)	\$ 29.92
3/4" ( 18 mm)	\$ 30.23
1" ( 25 mm)	\$ 51.51
1-1/2" ( 40 mm)	\$113.55
2" ( 50 mm)	\$258.91
3" ( 75 mm)	\$548.66
4" (100 mm)	\$559.19
6" (150 mm)	\$561.85
8" (200 mm)	\$607.51
10" (250 mm)	\$643.47

- (2) Volume rate applied to each customer connected to the water system, in addition to the minimum charge in (1):

- per cubic meter, or portion thereof, of metered water flow : \$1.59

- (3) Minimum charge per two-month period applied to each customer connected to the sanitary sewer system:

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Service Rate</u>
5/8" ( 15 mm)	\$ 22.92
3/4" ( 18 mm)	\$ 22.92
1" ( 25 mm)	\$ 45.84
1-1/2" ( 40 mm)	\$114.61
2" ( 50 mm)	\$275.02
3" ( 75 mm)	\$572.93
4" (100 mm)	\$572.93
6" (150 mm)	\$572.93
8" (200 mm)	\$572.93
10" (250 mm)	\$572.93

- (4) Volume rate applied to each customer connected to the sanitary sewer system, in addition to the minimum charge in (3):

- per cubic meter, or portion thereof, of metered water flow : \$1.50

- (5) Building service connection maintenance charge per two-month period applied to each customer connected to the water or sanitary sewer system, in addition to charges in (1), (2), (3) and (4) above:

- (a) Customers within City limits:

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Service Rate</u>
5/8" ( 15 mm)	\$ 10.14
3/4" ( 18 mm)	\$ 11.16
1" ( 25 mm)	\$ 14.19
1-1/2" ( 40 mm)	\$ 18.22
2" ( 50 mm)	\$ 29.36
3" ( 75 mm)	\$111.31
4" (100 mm)	\$141.37
6" (150 mm)	\$212.46
8" (200 mm)	\$293.41
10" (250 mm)	\$404.68

- (b) Customers outside City limits do not receive building service, connection maintenance : no rate

- (6) Drainage infrastructure charge per two-month period applied to each customer connected to the water or sanitary sewer system : \$21.05

- (7) Account deposits, refundable upon termination of utility services accounts after deductions of any outstanding amounts, arrears and other charges in respect of any City of Estevan's utility services, applied as follows:

- (a) Customer connected to the water or sanitary sewer system:

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Deposit Amount</u>
5/8" ( 15 mm)	\$ 126.98
3/4" ( 18 mm)	\$ 244.16
1" ( 25 mm)	\$ 429.71
1-1/2" ( 40 mm)	\$ 869.18
2" ( 50 mm)	\$ 1,064.49
3" ( 75 mm)	\$ 3,613.34
4" (100 mm)	\$ 5,859.46
6" (150 mm)	\$10,644.67
8" (200 mm)	\$10,742.32
10" (250 mm)	\$10,742.32

- (b) Unmetered customers : \$126.98

- (c) Bulk Potable Water at the Water Treatment Plant (\$4.52m<sup>3</sup>)
  
- (8) (a) Volume rate applied to sewage septic or holding tank effluent accepted at the City of Estevan Wastewater Treatment Plant (\$10.92m<sup>3</sup>)
  
- (b) Volume rate applies to sewage septic or holding tank effluent generated outside the City of Estevan limits (\$19.06m<sup>3</sup>)
  
- (9) Miscellaneous charges and rates:
  - (a) Construction rates : \$82.50 per calendar week
  
  - (b) Meter installation:
    - 5/8" (15 mm) to 3/4" (18 mm) meters : \$60.50
    - 1" (25 mm) to 1-1/2" (40 mm) meters : \$126.50
    - over 1-1/2" (40 mm) meters : Custom rates
  
  - (c) Water service:
    - supply initiation fee : \$60.50
    - broken seal : \$45.00
    - supply resumption after discontinuation due to arrears : \$77.00
    - meter repairs : \$82.50 plus cost of repairs
    - account transfer fee : \$38.50
  
  - (d) Meter testing:
    - 1" (25 mm) and smaller meters : \$77.00
    - over 1" (25 mm) meters : Custom rates
  
  - (e) Frost account rebate applicable only during period specified by the City Engineer : Rebate amount approved by City Engineer
  
  - (f) Handling charges for returned cheques : \$45.00

(10) Surcharges:

(a) Charges and rates to customers outside City limits shall be subject to an seventy five (75%) percent surcharge applied to rates in Articles (1), (2), (3), (4), (8) and (9).

(b) High strength sewage surcharge:

$$\text{in cents per m}^3 = 0.0052 \frac{(B+200)}{200} + 0.0066 \frac{(S+200)}{200} + 0.0017 \frac{(3G+100)}{100} + K (OS)M_{os}$$

where B, S, G and OS are concentrations of 5 day Biochemical Oxygen Demand, Total Suspended Solids, Oils and Greases and Other Substances which may inhibit wastewater treatment processes as sampled and tested in accordance with "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" latest edition and;

where K and  $M_{os}$  as determined by the City Engineer.

(11) Minimum charges per two month period stipulated in Articles (1), (3) and (5) may be adjusted to reflect a meter size as determined by the City Engineer, if in his opinion, an installed water meter is larger than that required to accommodate the peak consumptive water demand and losses due to leakage and other such causes. The system automatically prorates minimum charges if period is less than two months.

(12) Interest shall be payable on all accounts remaining unpaid thirty (30) days after the date of invoicing by the City of Estevan for utility services provided hereunder at the rate of eighteen (18%) percent per annum calculated and compounded monthly.

(13) Sewer consumption-based charges pursuant to this Schedule shall be reduced by 25% for the months of May to September. This adjustment shall only apply to residential customers with four (4) dwelling units or less and trailer courts.

(14) Utility Infrastructure Fee                      \$30.00 per billing

(15) Any meter which is frozen, due to customer negligence as per Bylaw 96-1498 Section 6.7.7, shall incur the following charges:

(a) Service charge of \$82.50

(b) Meter replacement charge based on meter size

5/8"	\$ 460.00
3/4"	\$ 508.84
1"	\$ 635.92
1 1/2"	\$ 987.66
2"	\$1,169.94
3"	current market price due to wide fluctuations