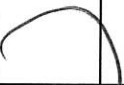






## RESOLUTION No. 31523C

### ROLL CALL

VOTING	YES	NO
<b>KURT L CHRISTENSEN</b> <i>Mayor (votes only in case of tie)</i>		
<b>TIM De GRAW</b> <i>Council member</i>		
<b>KELLY PETERSON</b> <i>Council member</i>	KP	
<b>CRISTY SIMONS</b> <i>Council member</i>	CS	
<b>DELYS SNYDER</b> <i>Council member</i>	DS	
<b>SETH SORENSEN</b> <i>Council member</i>		

I MOVE this resolution be adopted:   
City Councilmember

I SECOND the foregoing motion:   
City Councilmember

### A RESOLUTION AMENDING PRESSURIZED IRRIGATION WATER RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, CHURCHES, SCHOOLS AND CITY PARKS

**WHEREAS**, Salem City ("City") provides outdoor water through a pressure irrigation system;

**WHEREAS**, the City must cover operation and maintenance expenses as well as plan for future capital expenditures within the pressure irrigation system;

**WHEREAS**, the City has installed meters on the pressurized irrigation water system for each user, so the City can meter the pressure irrigation water so the actual usage of each user can

be billed. It is fair and reasonable to charge pressure irrigation water rates based on actual usage; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to begin metering pressure irrigation consumption;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Salem City Council as follows:

**Section 1. Residential Base Rate.** Each residential lot in the City shall be assessed a monthly base rate for pressure irrigation water based on the service size. Beginning June 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, the monthly base rates based on service size shall be as follows:

FY 2024	
Service Size	Monthly Base Rate
One-inch (1")	\$30.13
One and one-half inch (1 ½")	\$41.97
Two-inch (2")	\$53.82

Beginning July 1, 2024, and on each July 1 thereafter, the base rate shall increase by three percent annually.

**Section 2. Residential Usage Rates.** In addition to the base rate, each user shall be assessed a rate based on usage. Beginning June 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, the usage rates shall be as follows:

FY 2023/FY 2024	
Usage	Proposed Rate (\$/kgal)
Tier 1 (from 0-20 kgal)	\$0.50
Tier 2 (from 20-50 kgal)	\$1.05
Tier 3 (from 50-80 kgal)	\$1.50
Tier 4 (from 80-up kgal)	\$2.20

Beginning July 1, 2024, and on each July 1 thereafter, the monthly usage rate shall increase by three percent annually until new rates based upon metered usage are adopted.

**Section 3. School and City Park Usage Rates.** In addition to the base rate, each user shall be assessed a rate based on usage. Beginning June 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, the usage rates shall be as follows:

2 Inch Meters Base Rate: \$68.62

Usage	Proposed Rate (\$/kgal)
Tier 1 (from 0-49 kgal)	\$0.50
Tier 2 (from 50-150 kgal)	\$1.05
Tier 3 (from 151-293 kgal)	\$1.50
Tier 4 (from 294-up kgal)	\$2.20

4 Inch Meters Base Rate: \$272.95

Usage	Proposed Rate (\$/kgal)
Tier 1 (from 0-150 kgal)	\$0.50
Tier 2 (from 151-470 kgal)	\$1.05
Tier 3 (from 471-920 kgal)	\$1.50
Tier 4 (from 921-up kgal)	\$2.20

6 Inch Meters Base Rate: \$613.37

Usage	Proposed Rate (\$/kgal)
Tier 1 (from 0-300 kgal)	\$0.50
Tier 2 (from 301-940 kgal)	\$1.05
Tier 3 (from 940-1,830 kgal)	\$1.50
Tier 4 (from 1,831-up kgal)	\$2.20

**Section 4. Combining.** Any individual or entity seeking to combine two or more lots into one lot will be required to pay for the cost of a pressure irrigation meter and its installation and shall be responsible to pay a metered rate, if the request to combine is granted.

**Section 5. Exclusions.** These rates are not applicable to those residents who have a contract with the City to allow the City use of the irrigation water to which they are entitled and who use the pressure irrigation system for delivery. Their costs shall be as set forth in their respective contracts.

**Section 6. Year-round Billing.** The base rates, shall be applied on a monthly basis year around. The usage rate will be applied during the months that the PI water was used.

**Section 7. Hardship.** The City Finance Director may grant a hardship exception to the rates established. An applicant for a hardship must provide evidence of the hardship claimed, but must be based, among other evidence, on a showing of less water consumption. The Finance Director may grant an exception and establish an appropriate rate, based on the tables included in this resolution. The decision of the Finance Director is appealable to the City Council by filing a written request, within one week of the decision, to appear before the Council.

**Section 8. Repealer.** This resolution replaces and supersedes Resolution Number 42121, dated April 21, 2021, amending pressure irrigation rates.

**Section 8. Effective Date.** This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

DATED: March 15, 2023.

  
KURT L CHRISTENSEN, Mayor

Attest:

  
JEFFERY D. NIELSON, City Recorder

