

## City of Kuna, Idaho Water System Fees and Policies

RESOLUTION NO. R18-2013

A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTING WATER CONNECTION FEES AND MONTHLY WATER SERVICE RATES; ESTABLISHING FEES FOR CONNECTING TO THE WATER SYSTEM; ESTABLISHING WATER USE FEES; PROVIDING MISCELLANEOUS WATER CUSTOMER SERVICE POLICIES; SETTING MINIMUM LINE SIZES; REPEALING FEES ESTABLISHED BY EARLIER RESOLUTIONS; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, Section 7-5-5 authorizes the City of Kuna, Idaho to set water connection fees by resolution of City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 7-5-3 authorizes the City of Kuna, Idaho to set monthly service rates for water use by resolution of City Council:

**I. WATER CONNECTION FEES**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the charge(s) for connecting to the City Water System shall be determined as follows:

**A) Water Main Capacity Fee:** Each dwelling unit (single family residence, manufactured home, town home, condominium or apartment), or any other user based upon volume of demand compared to an “equivalent dwelling unit”, to be connected to the City potable water system, shall be assessed one thousand one hundred and seventy-three dollars (\$1,173.00) per “equivalent dwelling unit” at or before the time of connection for the capital costs of providing oversized mains and trunk lines to convey potable water required by each connection.

**B) Water Supply Fee:** Each dwelling unit (single family residence, manufactured home, town home, condominium or apartment), or any other user based upon volume of demand compared to an “equivalent dwelling unit”, to be connected to the City potable water system requiring water for domestic use only shall be assessed one thousand and eighty-five dollars (\$1,085.00) per equivalent dwelling unit at or before the time of connection for the capital costs of providing water supply required by each connection. In

instances where a developer or property owner has prepaid this fee as a condition of developing, and the area to which the prepayment applies is specifically defined, then any further water supply fee for connection subsequent to passage of this act shall be waived.

**C) Well Mitigation Fee:** Each dwelling unit (single family residence, manufactured home, town home, condominium or apartment), or any other user based upon volume of demand compared to an “equivalent dwelling unit”, to be connected to the city water system shall be assessed one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per equivalent dwelling unit to reimburse the cost of mitigating damages to existing private wells caused by new City wells.

**D) Industrial/Commercial Connection:** Each commercial or industrial facility to be connected to the publicly owned potable water works shall be assessed water main capacity fees, well mitigation fees and water supply fees, computed based on peak usage at full capacity and prorated compared to an equivalent dwelling unit. The minimum fees charged any connection shall be one equivalent dwelling unit.

The peak usage shall be determined from the usage of the proposed facility at full capacity based on flows obtained from the chart titled WASTEWATER FLOWS FROM VARIOUS SOURCES IN GALLONS PER DAY, pages 113-115, and published in “Technical Guidance Manual For Individual And Subsurface Sewage Disposal”. For uses not specifically addressed in the aforementioned publication, it shall be the responsibility of the City Engineer to equitably estimate peak usage at full capacity based on predictive equations, comparative usage, or historical usage as approved by the City Engineer. The minimum charge for non-irrigated property shall be the charge for one equivalent dwelling unit.

**E) Water Meter and Service Fees:** Each water connection shall be assessed charges for completing services and connections, when required, in accordance with the following schedule:

3/4"	Setter & Service	\$ 700.00/ea
1"	Setter & Service	\$1,037.00/ea
1-1/2"	Setter & Service	\$1,479.00/ea
2"	Setter & Service	\$1,847.00/ea
3" & larger	Meter & Service	Time & Material

3/4"	Meter Only	\$ 320. <u>00</u> /ea
1"	Meter Only	\$ 360. <u>00</u> /ea
1 ½"	Meter Only	\$ 550. <u>00</u> /ea
2"	Meter Only	\$ 680. <u>00</u> /ea
1/2 Street Asphalt Patch		\$ 350. <u>00</u>
Full Street Asphalt Patch		\$ 550. <u>00</u>

**E) Previous Connections:** In instances where an improvement on a property has previously been connected to the water system and complied with the connection fee(s) in force at the time of connection, the above fees do not apply. If, however, the connection involves an increase in number of dwelling units or an increase in demand on the system, then the connection is subject to these fees for the amount of the increase only and prorated in comparison to the demand of an equivalent dwelling unit..

## **II. WATER USE FEES**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that fees for water usage and other charges shall be determined as follows:

### **A) Customer Water Use Charges:**

**1. Standard Water Use Fee** - Metered water usage for City residents and original Danskin Well customers shall be billed at a flat rate of eighteen dollars and ninety cents (\$18.90) for the first 10,000 gallons of usage in a monthly billing cycle. Metered water usage for City residents, where the head of house is over 65 years of age, shall be billed at a flat rate of fourteen dollars and seventy cents (\$14.70) for the first 10,000 gallons of usage in a monthly billing cycle. Metered water usage for all other users and users with oversized service lines shall be billed at a flat rate of twenty-one dollars and fifty-two cents (\$21.52) for the first 10,000 gallons of usage in a monthly billing cycle.

**2. Excess Water Use Fee-** Usage beyond 10,000 gallons shall be billed at one dollar and fifty-seven cents (\$1.57) per 1,000 gallons except for the special situation noted in the following paragraph.

### **3. Irrigation Water Use Fee-**

**a.** For City residential propertyts- (a single family residence located within the City Limits of Kuna) that has no access to with no-pressure irrigation or

gravity irrigation service because the service is not available in the area that the property is located, and where the usage is beyond 10,000 gallons, but less than 45,000 gallons, said residential property shall be billed as follows:

May 1 to October 31, 2013- at thirty-three and six tenths cents (\$0.336) per 1,000 gallons-gallons from April 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.

May 1 to October 31, 2014-2016- seventy-five cents (\$0.750) per 1,000 gallons.

May 1 to October 31, 2017-2018- one dollar (\$1.00) per 1,000 gallons.

May 1 to October 31, 2019 on- same rate as the standard water use fee.

b. For City Commercial property, or residential property that is without the city limits that has no access to pressure irrigation or gravity irrigation service because the service is not available in the area that the property is located, and where the usage is beyond 10,000 gallons, but less than 45,000 gallons, said property shall be billed as follows:

May 1 to October 31, 2013-2014- one dollar (\$1.00) per 1,000 gallons.

May 1 to October 31, 2015 on- same rate as the standard water use fee.

c. For City Enterprise Funds (except Water Fund) usage of potable water shall be billed as follows:

January 1 to December 31, 2013 on- fifty cents (\$0.50) per 1,000 gallons.

4. **Bulk Water Charges** - All bulk sales shall be approved by the Water Superintendent or his designated representative prior to delivery, and be obtained from designated sources only. The rate for bulk sales shall be one dollar and fifty-seven cents (\$1.57) per 1,000 gallons.

B) **Other Charges:**

1. **Connection Fees (Outside City Limits)** - Any customer outside the corporate limits of the City requesting water service, who is legally able to annex to the City, must do so to connect to the City Water System, thereafter to pay connection fees as any other resident. Any customer outside City corporate limits requesting water service, who is not legally able to annex, cannot connect without

explicit Council approval, which approval is solely at the option of City Council.

2. **Damage Repair Costs** - Damages to Water Department facilities by other utilities, excavators or others will be repaired by Water Department Personnel. All direct and indirect costs incurred in the repair will be billed to the party causing the damage.

3. **Short Notice Line Location Charges** - The City of Kuna, as required by law, participates in the Dig Line system. Forty-Eight hours notification is required prior to excavation by any party. Exceptions will be allowed for line locations during times of individual hazard or public emergency.

### III. **NEW CONSTRUCTION**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in connection with new development, the assumed water main size is a minimum nominal diameter of eight (8") inches. When, in conformance with the needs of the City Water System, a larger line is requested of the developer than this minimum nominal diameter, and the larger line is beyond the developer's flow needs, the developer may be reimbursed in conformance with adopted City reimbursement policies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that connection fees and other charges shall be ~~are~~ in effect beginning August 1, 2013, ~~November 1, 2008~~ and that water use fees contained herein are in effect for the water meter reading cycle beginning in August 2013, and appearing in the September 2013 billing, and all similar fees and policies established by earlier resolution(s) are hereby repealed.

**PASSED BY THE COUNCIL** of the City of Kuna, this      day of ~~June~~ 2013.

**APPROVED BY THE MAYOR** of the City of Kuna, this      day of ~~June~~ 2013.

ATTEST:

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W. Greg Nelson, Mayor

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Brenda S. Bingham, City Clerk