

ORDINANCE NO. 1239

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIMI VALLEY ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF SANITATION RATES AND FEES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1159

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIMI VALLEY DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: INTENT

Pursuant to Section 5471 of the California Health and Safety Code, this Ordinance establishes Sanitation Fees and Charges pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance Nos. 926 and 1170. This Ordinance incorporates the findings of the 2015 Sanitation Rate Study Final Report. Sanitation rates and fees adopted by previous ordinances and resolutions are hereby repealed upon implementation of the rates and fees listed herein. Ordinance No. 1159 is repealed upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2: SANITATION RATES AND FEES

The Sanitation Rates and Fees, as shown on Exhibit "A," are in effect on the effective date of this Ordinance and will be implemented to coordinate with regular billing schedules following the effective date of this Ordinance. Annual increases consistent with the staff report presented on May 4, 2015 will be implemented by Resolution of the City Council.

SECTION 3: PUBLICATION

The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance or a summary hereof to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, published in the County of Ventura, circulated in the City, and, if applicable, to be posted in accordance with Section 36933 of the California Government Code; shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance; and shall cause a certified copy of this Ordinance, together with proof of publication, to be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this City.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance is in effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2015, and the rates and fees shall apply on the effective date.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 8th day of June 2015.

ATTEST:

/s/
Ky Spangler, Deputy Director/City Clerk

/s/
Robert O. Huber, Mayor of the City of Simi Valley, California

Approved as to Form:

Approved as to Content:

/s/
Lonnie J. Eldridge, City Attorney

/s/
Eric J. Levitt, City Manager

/s/
Ronald K. Fuchiwaki, Director
Department of Public Works

EXHIBIT A

SCHEDULE OF SANITATION SERVICE RATES AND FEES

Residential Rates (\$/month)	
Single Family	\$28.58
Multi-Family	\$19.92
Senior Housing	\$15.39
Mobile Home	\$19.92
Nonresidential Rates (\$/month) - Note: LM stands for Landscape Meter	
Office with LM (SCD)	\$24.86
Office without LM (SDL)	\$19.89
Commercial with LM (SCR)	\$30.32
Commercial without LM (SRL)	\$24.26
Restaurant with LM (SRR)	\$35.78
Restaurant without LM (RRL)	\$28.63
Café with LM (SRD)	\$35.78
Café without LM (RDL)	\$28.63
Nonresidential Usage Rates (\$/hcf of water usage)	
Office with LM (SCD)	\$3.56
Office without LM (SDL)	\$2.85
Commercial with LM (SCR)	\$4.34
Commercial without LM(SRL)	\$3.47
Restaurant with LM (SRR)	\$5.12
Restaurant without LM (RRL)	\$4.09
Café with LM (SRD)	\$5.12
Café without LM (RDL)	\$4.09
High Schools (per student per month)	\$0.95
Other Schools (per student per month)	\$0.63
Pump Truck (per 750 gallons)	\$22.28
Wood Ranch/Big Sky Lift Station (per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU)/year)	\$79.68
Duplex Unit Lift Station (per EDU/year)	\$55.53
Wood Ranch Golf Restroom Lift Station (per EDU/year)	\$163.51
Connection Fees	
Connection Fee (per EDU)	\$4,374
Annexation Fee (per gross acre)	\$1,119.40

High Strength Nonresidential Users

Industrial, commercial, and/or institutional users with a discharge having a biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) greater than 285 parts per million (ppm) or total suspended solids (TSS) greater than 353 ppm will be charged using the following formula per 100 cubic feet or fraction thereof of water usage:

$$\$4.34 * (0.82 + 0.09 * \text{BOD}/285 + 0.09 * \text{TSS}/353)$$

Users are responsible for measuring BOD and TSS concentrations. Measurement data must be collected and reported annually to, or within 15 days upon request of, the City's Public Works Director or designee. User must inform the City if there is reason to believe there has been significant change in the strength.

Random sampling of industrial wastes will also be performed by the City staff pursuant to the monitoring and enforcement provisions of the Environmental Compliance Pretreatment Program and other City policies.

Service Rate Provisions for Nonresidential Users

- i) Service rates are invoiced to the property owner, but may be billed to lessees upon request, with the City reserving ultimate discretion.
- ii) The Nonresidential Usage rate is based on water usage, as determined by the facility (interior) water meter reading only, for customers with a landscape meter. For customers without a landscape meter, the Nonresidential Usage rate will be based on eighty percent (80%) of the water meter reading.
- iii) There are three Alternative Methods available for computing the Nonresidential Usage rate. Nonresidential users may request an Alternative Method for a one-time \$319.53 fee. The City will ultimately permit the applicable Alternative Method. Any of the Alternative Methods are to be accomplished on user's property and at user's expense. Prior permitting by the City's Public Works Director or designee for installing facility modifications is required, and may need to meet both City and water purveyor standards.

Method 1. The user installs a calibrated flume, weir, flow meter, or similar device, along with a totalizer, to measure the user's wastewater discharge. Wastewater flow(s) data will be collected by the City. The device and location requires prior approval by the City's Public Works Director or designee. The City would have access rights to read and maintain the measuring device and totalizer.

Method 2. The user purchases and installs a water submeter to measure the water use that is ultimately discharged to the sewer. The device and location requires prior approval by the City's Public Works Director or designee. The City would have access rights to read the meter.

Method 3. If it is impractical to employ Method 1 or 2 as a result of physical difficulty or excessive cost, the City may permit the user to estimate the quantity of discharge to the sewer. The user's estimate may be based upon average historical water use during low-irrigation timespans or upon any other reasonable basis, or upon flow meter tests if practical. The City will review the data submitted by the user and may modify the estimate. If a user is not satisfied with the City's final determination under Method 3, the user has the option to use another Alternative Method (at no additional filing fee) or to install a landscape meter.