

## NOTICE OF WATER RATE INCREASE

Portions of the existing water system has reached its capacity to provide continuous and adequate water service to customers within City's certificated service area. Therefore, after due consideration, the City Council made application to the Texas Water Development (TWDB) for low interest loan funds to construct necessary improvements to increase the capacity of the water supply and the distribution system in order maintain compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

To meet the TWDB loan re-payment schedule, the City Council at their meeting on Monday, July 11, 2022, voted to increase water rates as shown below to be effective August 22, 2022 with the new rates being reflected on each customer's September water bill and payments under the new rates being due October 15, 2022.

<u>Proposed Water Rates</u>	<u>Inside C.L.</u>	<u>Outside C.L.</u>
Base Monthly Rate (5/8" x 3/4")	\$ 45.00	\$ 60.00
Base Monthly Rate (1" Meter)	\$ 112.50	\$ 150.00
Base Monthly Rate (1.5" Meter)	\$ 225.00	\$ 300.00
Base Monthly Rate (2" Meter)	Requires Council Approval	
<u>Water Usage (Gallons)</u>		
0-5,000 Gals.	\$ 5.50/1,000	\$ 7.00/1,000
5,001 – 10,000	\$ 7.60/1,000	\$ 8.80/1,000
10,001 – 15,000	\$ 8.80/1,000	\$ 10.40/1,000
15,001 – 20,000	\$ 10.40/1,000	\$ 12.00/1,000
20,001 – 25,000	\$ 12.00/1,000	\$ 13.60/1,000
25,001 – 30,000	\$ 13.60/1,000	\$ 15.20/1,000
Over 30,000	\$ 15.20/1,000	\$ 16.80/1,000

### Total Tap Fee Costs:

5/8" x 3/4" Meter	\$ 7,600
1" Meter	\$ 19,000
1.5" Meter	\$ 38,000
2" Meter	Requires Council Approval

The City of Dorchester is committed to providing safe, reliable, continuous and adequate water service to all of our customers, while at the same time striving to keep water rates as low as possible.

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on the new rates at 6:30 pm, Monday, August 1, 2022 at City Hall.

If you have any questions concerning the notice, please contact the City Office at 903-476-5862.