

**A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF CUMMING, GEORGIA**

WHEREAS, The Mayor and the City Council of Cumming, Georgia (hereinafter referred to as “the Council”), recognizes the need for establishing a policy for the orderly administration of its utility services within the limits of the Cumming Service Area to its customers; and,

WHEREAS, the said Council deems it to be in the best interest of all concerned to provide for consistent utility rates and the Council has authorized amendments to the water and sewer rates to fund new debt service, operating costs, capital reserve costs and other fees of the City's utility service programs and;

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Council that the public have sufficient advance opportunity to adjust their use of City water, sewer and utility services before the effective date of this resolution and, accordingly, the Council has conducted a public hearing and adopted this resolution at least one billing cycle (30 days) in advance of the effective date and;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of The City of Cumming in Forsyth County, Georgia, hereby

establishes and declares the following Utilities Rate and Fee Schedule as its official policy and in accordance with the City’s Utilities Ordinance regarding its utility rates, service rules and regulations, City and consumer responsibilities, and City and consumer remedies, effective April 16, 2019.



UTILITIES RATE & FEE SCHEDULE (Rev. April 16, 2019)

ALL RATES BELOW APPLY TO BILLS GENERATED December 19, 2019 OR LATER

Establishing Service New customers please submit along with a [completed application](#), picture ID with date-of-birth and/or readable copy of a Georgia Driver's License, and proof of property ownership / rental (deed, lease, or rental agreement). Residential security deposit of \$125.00 per customer (refundable upon service termination with final bill paid in full). Minimum commercial security deposit of \$125.00 per customer (Ord of 4-16-2019, § 111- 58)

Billing Charges

Credit Card Processing Fee	3%	of payment amount (one-time payment or auto draft)
Auto Draft from Checking	-	No charge
Late Payment Fee	10%	of total past due amount per month
Reconnection Fee	\$40.00	Contact us during business hrs M-F 8am-4pm
Returned Check (Insufficient Funds)	\$25.00	Contact us during business hrs M-F 8am-4pm

WATER RATES *Inside or Outside refers to Corporate City Limits - [See Service Area Map](#)

CATEGORY	TIER	GALLONS USED	COST	COST APPLIED
RESIDENTIAL (*Inside)	Base Fee	0	\$ 8.22	Flat Fee
	Tier 1	0-6,000	\$ 1.97	per 1000 gallons
	Tier 2	6,001-16,600	\$ 2.97	per 1000 gallons
	Tier 3	16,600 above	\$ 4.72	per 1000 gallons
RESIDENTIAL (*Outside)	Base Fee	0	\$10.72	Flat Fee
	Tier 1	0-6,000	\$ 2.32	per 1000 gallons
	Tier 2	6,001-16,600	\$ 3.47	per 1000 gallons
	Tier 3	16,600 above	\$ 5.22	per 1000 gallons
RESIDENTIAL IRRIGATION	Base Fee	0	\$10.72	Flat Fee
	Uniform Rate	0-any	\$ 4.64	per 1000 gallons
SENIOR CITIZENS 62 yrs. and older with photo ID - eligible for reduced residential water rates (sewer and irrigation are not included and are not eligible for a Senior Discount)				
(*Inside) 50% reduction of water rates above		(*Outside) 25% reduction of water rates above		
COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL (*Inside)	Base Fee	0-3,000	\$10.72	Flat Fee
	Uniform Rate	3,000 above	\$ 2.92	per 1000 gallons
COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL (*Outside)	Base Fee	0-3,000	\$20.72	Flat Fee
	Uniform Rate	3,000 above	\$ 3.47	per 1000 gallons
COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL IRRIGATION	Base Fee	0	\$10.72	Flat Fee
	Uniform Rate	0-any	\$ 4.64	per 1000 gallons

SEWER RATES

CATEGORY	TIER	GALLONS USED	COST	COST APPLIED
RESIDENTIAL	Base Fee	0	\$ 8.22	Flat Fee
	Uniform Rate	0-any	\$ 6.84	per 1000 gallons
COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL	Base Fee	0	\$35.72	Flat Fee
	Uniform Rate	0-any	\$ 7.30	per 1000 gallons
SEPTIC WASTE DUMP FEE			\$ 0.15	(per gallon received at AWRP)
(The City reserves the right to refuse any/all hauled waste to the AWRP)				

GARBAGE SERVICE RATES (INSIDE City Limits Only - One pick-up /week, \$15 /each additional pick-up)

RESIDENTIAL: \$15.00 per mo. COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL: \$20.00 per mo.

STORMWATER (INSIDE City Limits Only)

STORMWATER ASSESSMENT FEE (Reserved for Ord. of 4-16-2019, § 111- 342)

SPECIAL WATER SERVICE FEES

CATEGORY	METER SIZE	COST	COST APPLIED
Water Meter Test at customer request	3/4-inch	\$ 100.00	per meter
	1-inch or larger	\$ 350.00	per meter
Water Meter Relocate Residential-customer request	3/4-inch	\$2,200.00	per meter
	1-inch or larger	\$3,800.00	min. plus materials cost
Water Meter-Fire Hydrant Rental (\$225 refundable less water use at current rates and when returned in good condition)	3/4-inch	\$ 250.00	per meter
Water Meter-Fire Hydrant Rental (\$900 refundable less water use at current rates and when returned in good condition)	3-inch	\$1,000.00	per meter
Water Laboratory Testing (Coliform Bacteria test by City Potable Water Production Facility Laboratory)		\$ 35.00	per sample
Water Meter (Stolen-Damaged-Misplaced) (including but not limited to damage to meter, register, antenna, backflow, meter box, lid, curb stop)		\$2,200.00	
Water Meter & Lock (Tampering-Lock removal) (including but not limited to tampering of lock, meter box, meter, antenna, lid, curb-stop or other appurtenances)		\$ 300.00	

WATER SYSTEM CAPACITY FEES City-mandated watering restrictions apply to ALL customers

SINGLE-UNIT	METER SIZE	COST	COST APPLIED
WATER METER CHARGE (Installation costs not included)	3/4-inch	\$ 2,200.00	per meter
	1-inch	\$ 3,800.00	per meter
	2-inch	\$11,500.00	per meter
	3-inch	\$22,000.00	per meter
	4-inch	\$37,000.00	per meter
	6-inch	\$75,000.00	per meter
	8-inch	\$119,000.00	per meter
above Elevation 1280 MSL (see elevation map)	3/4-inch	\$ 6,250.00	per meter

MULTI-UNIT property water capacity fee is calculated as number of units X 3/4-inch meter cost per unit
All sub-metered customers will incur a water, sewer, and garbage base fee for each metered unit

FIRE METER and FIRE LINE FEES (Reserved for Ord. of 4-16-2019, § 111-110)

SEWER SYSTEM CAPACITY FEES

CATEGORY	COST	COST APPLIED
RESIDENTIAL	\$7,500.00	per 250 gpd per unit
COMMERCIAL*	\$ 30.00	per gpd avg. daily water use
INDUSTRIAL	\$ 30.00	per gpd max. water use

*Commercial "High Water Users" capacity fee will be assessed on gpd maximum water use

Note: Commercial customers must comply with the City's Cross Connection Control Ordinances for backflow prevention. Food service establishments require a minimum 1000-gallon grease interceptor.

STORMWATER IMPACT FEES (INSIDE City Limits Only)

STORMWATER RATES (Reserved for Ord. of 4-16-2019, § 111- 342)

SEWER SYSTEM SURCHARGE FEES

Additional surcharges may be levied against customers whose effluent strength or concentration is received at the City's AWRF or within the sewer system, and/or discharged directly to the environment. A pretreatment permit fee may apply (Ord. of 4-16-2019, § 111- 143)

*SURCHARGE CATEGORY	TIER	CONCENTRATION (mg/L)	COST	COST APPLIED
BOD ₅ (5-day BOD) (200 mg/L max. allowable)	Tier 1	201-300	\$0.20	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	301-400	\$0.45	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	401-500	\$0.90	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	500 above	\$1.80	per lb recvd. by AWRF
COD (Chemical Oxygen Demand) (500 mg/L max. allowable)	Tier 1	501-800	\$0.20	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	801-1100	\$0.45	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	1101-1500	\$0.90	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	1500 above	\$1.80	per lb recvd. by AWRF
TKN (Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen) (40 mg/L max. allowable)	Tier 1	41-60	\$0.60	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	61-80	\$1.25	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	81-100	\$2.50	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	100 above	\$5.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
P (Total Phosphorous) (4.0 max. allowable)	Tier 1	4.1-5.0	\$0.50	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	5.1-7.0	\$1.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	7.1-8.0	\$2.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	8.0 above	\$4.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
NH-3 (Ammonia-as Nitrogen) (15.0 max. allowable)	Tier 1	15.1-17.0	\$0.60	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	17.1-19.0	\$1.25	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	19.1-20.0	\$2.50	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	20.0 above	\$5.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
TSS (Total Suspended Solids) (220 mg/L max. allowable)	Tier 1	221-300	\$0.20	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	301-400	\$0.25	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	401-500	\$0.50	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	500 above	\$1.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
FOG (Fats, Oils & Grease) (50 max. allowable)	Tier 1	51-65	\$0.50	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	66-80	\$1.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	81-100	\$2.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	100 above	\$4.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
Chloride (100 max. allowable)	Tier 1	101-600	\$0.50	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 2	601-999	\$1.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 3	1000-1200	\$2.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF
	Tier 4	1200 above	\$4.00	per lb recvd. by AWRF

***Surcharges are additional sewer user fees assessed when wastewater characteristics exceed established discharge limits. The fees provide cost recovery for added treatment at the City's Advanced Water Reclamation Facility. Tier 4 thresholds are Maximum Acceptable Local Limits and may also incur a penalty.**

CODE ENFORCEMENT FEES

A City of Cumming Utilities Ordinance Violation may incur a fee of \$300 - \$1,000.00 per day, per offense and/or as established in the City Ordinances. Includes, but is not limited to violations of the ordinances, any City issued permit (Industrial Pretreatment) or license, or violations which cause the City to violate any of its permits /licenses.

RIGHT-OF-WAY ENCROACHMENT FEES


CATEGORY	COST	COST APPLIED
RATE CLASS "U" for urban roads & streets (Ord. of 1-20-2009, § 20-20.26)	\$ 5000.00	annual-per mile of encroachment

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Resolutions and Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed provided, however, that any portion of said Resolutions or Ordinances not in conflict herewith shall remain in full force and effect.

All bills issued, fees assessed, and policies implemented by the City on or after the effective date of this resolution shall reflect the terms of this resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 16th day of April, 2019, to be effective immediately, the public health safety and welfare demanding.

CITY OF CUMMING, GEORGIA



Troy Brumbalow
Mayor, City of Cumming



Chad Crane, Council Member



Jason Evans, Council Member



Lewis Ledbetter, Council Member



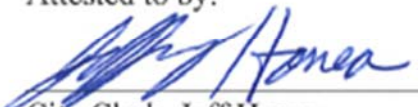
Linda Ledbetter, Council Member



Christopher Light, Council Member



Attested to by:



City Clerk, Jeff Honea