Passed: 7-2 (RY, PC)

ORDINANCE 99-31

TO AMEND TITLE 10 OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "WASTEWATER"
(Adjustment of Rates)

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington, Indiana (the "City") has heretofore constructed and has in operation a wastewater collection system and treatment plants for the purpose of collecting and treating sewage wastewater and conveying the same away from the premises where produced; and

WHEREAS, the Utilities Service Board has recommended, after due consideration, including a public meeting on August 30, 1999, that adjustments to rates and charges of the wastewater utility should be approved by the Common Council in respect to the existing wastewater;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. Section 10.08.040 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, entitled "Rates - Metered water users," shall be amended to read as follows:

10.08.040 Rates - Metered water users. General service rates shall be applicable to all metered water users except those with other than average strengths of BOD and suspended solids. The general service rates shall be determined as follows:

	Portion of Rate Applicable to		
	Operations, Maintenance, & Replacement Expenses	Capital Related Costs	Total
	$	$	$
Monthly service charge (per meter)	2.51	0.85	3.36
User Charge			
Charge per 1,000 gallons per month for all billable usage:			
Residential [(a)]	2.45	0.83	3.28
Commercial	2.45	0.83	3.28
Indiana University	2.45	0.83	3.28
Industrial [(b)]	2.45	0.83	3.28

(a) Residential summer rates for billings issued during the months of June, July, August, and September shall be based upon the average metered water consumption for billings issued during the months of April and May or actual usage, whichever is less. In order to more accurately reflect actual wastewater usage of these customers, the Utility Services Board may, by the adoption of a resolution, change the months used to set summer rates and the length of time the summer rates are in effect. All other users shall be charged on the basis of one hundred percent of metered water consumption subject to user proof of lower wastewater use.

(b) Industrial user rates and charges shall be based on the quantity of water used as well as any special service rates that may apply.

SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of Section 10.08.110, entitled "Special service rates," shall be amended to read as follows:

10.08.110 Special service rates.

(b) Special service rates shall be applicable to all industrial users who generate wastewater which contains any non-conventional pollutants or strengths of BOD or SS that

exceed the system average strengths of 300 ppm BOD or 300 ppm SS as determined by special laboratory analysis by the utility's laboratory. Other special service rates shall be charged on a case-by-case basis for toxic pollutant discharges, with the charges being based on the difficulty of treating the toxic pollutant as well as sampling, testing, and disposal charges. Strength charges are to be computed on actual measured strengths and volumes. Special service rates shall be determined as follows:

	Portion of Rate Applicable to		
	Operations, Maintenance, & Replacement Expenses	Capital Related Costs	Total
	$	$	$
Monthly service charge (per meter)	2.51	0.85	3.36
Special laboratory analysis monthly charge			
Strength of BOD and SS sampling charge			79.12
Grease and oil sampling charge			74.18
Metal sampling charge (per metal per test)			16.49
User Charge			
Charge per 1,000 gallons per month for all billable usage:			
Non-excessive strength rate	2.45	0.85	3.28
Extra Strength Charge			
Charge per pound per month for all strength in excess of 300 ppm:			
BOD			0.159
Suspended Solids			0.130

SECTION 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, or provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other parts of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid part, and to this end the provisions of this chapter are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, and approval of the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 15th day of September, 1999.

TIMOTHY MAYER, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 16th day of September, 1999.

PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 14th day of September, 1999.

JOHN FERNANDEZ, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance amends the rates and charges included in Title 10 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, entitled "Wastewater." These adjustments in rates and charges reflect inflation, the increased costs of supplying wastewater collection and treatment services to customers, and the costs for financing required capital improvements to the system.

Signed copies to:
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