

FACT SHEET**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA**

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT</u>
An ordinance to amend and reenact certain Sections of Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Shreveport, Louisiana, relative to utilities and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.	May 22, 2019	Water and Sewerage
		<u>COUNCIL DISTRICT</u>
		All
		<u>SPONSOR</u>

PURPOSE

To amend Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances to clarify certain provisions related to Fees and Additional rules and regulations.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Department of Water and Sewerage is currently implementing a new billing system that will be in place early summer of 2019. The proposed revisions to Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances provide clarification to processes and procedures and well as administrative changes. An Amendment to a previous revision was not voted on by City Council. This Ordinance addresses that Amendment as well as a change in the description of residential tiers and a description of two fees.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: May 28, 2019
Final Passage: June 11, 2019

ATTACHMENT(S)

None

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Shreveport City Charter [Section 4.17](#), except in the case of emergency ordinances, no final action shall be taken on any ordinance at the meeting at which it is introduced or prior to the next regular meeting of the council occurring at least two (2) weeks after its introduction.

FINANCES

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS

NA

ALTERNATIVES

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) Amend the ordinance, or (3) Reject the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Water and Sewerage recommends adoption of this Ordinance.

FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:

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Director of Water and Sewerage

ORDINANCE NO. _____ OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 94 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, RELATIVE TO UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Shreveport is authorized and empowered to establish rules, regulations and procedures for the customers of its water and sewerage system; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is required by City Charter to operate the City's water and sewerage systems in a businesslike and self-supporting manner; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently implementing a new water and sewerage billing system; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to modify these Ordinances to reflect changes in the operations and processes of the department of water and sewerage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Water and Sewerage of the City of Shreveport is hereby amended effective July 1, 2019, as follows:

Chapter 94 – UTILITIES

ARTICLE V. - BILLING AND COLLECTIONS

Sec. 94-164. - Water charges.

(11) *Water quantity for tiers.* Tiered water quantity rates apply to residential customers only. The water quantity for each tier shall be as follows:

Tier 1—0 to 3,000 gallons per month

Tier 2—4,000 to 8,000 gallons per month

Tier 3—8,000 to 14,000 gallons per month

Tier 4—Over 14,000 gallons per month

Sec. 94-166. - Fees.

(a) The following fees shall be charged for services provided:

(9) Disconnection of service at the meter (Per 94-14, 118, 167 and 168).....\$50.00

(10) Removal of meter (Per 94-14, 118, 167 and 168).....\$150.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in Sec. 94-168 sub-section (a) number (16) [*Conditions under which sewer service will be disconnected based on any provision of this article, and procedures for notice thereof*] be removed and the subsequent items be renumbered accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport, or his designee, shall be and is hereby authorized to do any and all things and to sign any and all documents in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, or her designee, necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance which can be given affect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2019.

THUS DONE AND ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office