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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY:

Section 1. That Title 33, chapter 4, Section 1, of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Newark, New Jersey, 2000, as amended, be further amended to read as follows with such amendment to be in effect upon passage of the Ordinance until such time as it is further amended.

(Note: Bold and Underlined text represents additions and strikethroughs represent deletions)

33:4-1 RATES: GENERAL SCHEDULE.

Effective March 1, 2015, the Director of Water and Sewer Utilities is implementing a three-year rate increase for the period March 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017.

- a. The charges for all water furnished by the City of Newark including private consumers in the Silver Lake District, Belleville and elsewhere outside of Newark (unless otherwise covered by special contract), shall not exceed the following:

(Rates as per monthly adjustment by the Director of Water and Sewer Utilities.)

\$24.08 for the first 1,000 cubic feet or less, per quarter;
\$24.08 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 99,000 cubic feet per quarter;
\$21.50 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 400,000 cubic feet per quarter;
\$19.29 per 1,000 cubic feet for all over 500,000 cubic feet per quarter;

Effective March 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015:

\$ 8.79 per 1,000 cubic feet for the first 300 cubic feet or less, per month;
\$ 26.37 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 33,000 cubic feet, per month;
\$ 23.54 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 133,300 cubic feet, per month;
\$ 21.12 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 166,600 cubic feet, per month.

Effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016:

\$ 9.49 per 1,000 cubic feet for the first 300 cubic feet or less, per month;
\$ 28.48 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 33,000 cubic feet, per month;
\$ 25.43 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 133,300 cubic feet, per month;
\$ 22.81 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 166,600 cubic feet, per month.

Effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017:

\$ 10.30 per 1,000 cubic feet for the first 300 cubic feet or less, per month;
\$ 30.90 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 33,000 cubic feet, per month;
\$ 27.59 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 133,300 cubic feet, per month;
\$ 24.75 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 166,600 cubic feet, per month.

b. Senior Citizens and/or Disabled Persons/Disabled Veterans.

Effective March 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015:

\$20.80 for the first 1,000 cubic feet or less, per quarter;
\$ 7.59 per 1,000 cubic feet for the first 300 cubic feet or less, per month;
\$ 22.78 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 33,000 cubic feet, per month;
~~\$20.80 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 99,000 cubic feet per quarter.~~

Effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016:

\$20.80 for the first 1,000 cubic feet or less, per quarter;
\$ 8.20 per 1,000 cubic feet for the first 300 cubic feet or less, per month;
\$ 24.60 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 33,000 cubic feet, per month;
~~\$20.80 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 99,000 cubic feet per quarter.~~

Effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017:

\$20.80 for the first 1,000 cubic feet or less, per quarter;
\$ 8.90 per 1,000 cubic feet for the first 300 cubic feet or less, per month;
\$ 26.69 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 33,000 cubic feet, per month;
~~\$20.80 per 1,000 cubic feet for the next 99,000 cubic feet per quarter.~~

c. Beginning on January 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, The Director of Water and Sewer Utilities shall adjust the water rate not to exceed by the Cost of Living Adjustment. This shall be based on the Implicit

Price Deflator for State and Local Governments for New Jersey and published by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

d. Effective March 1, 2015, and as determined by the Director of Water and Sewer Utilities, each consumer may be allocated for any credit or deficit received by the City of Newark from the Regional Water Authorities (i.e. North Jersey District Water Supply). Any credit or deficit received shall be allocated among all consumers in such a manner that the water users' rates are readjusted in an amount proportionate to the credit or deficit.

e. The Department of Water and Sewer Utilities reserves the right to establish an appropriate billing schedule for all accounts.

Section 2. Any prior ordinance or part thereof which is inconsistent with this ordinance is hereby repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

STATEMENT

This Ordinance amends Title 33, Chapter 4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Newark, New Jersey, 2000 by adjusting the water rate charges. This adjustment results in a three-year rate increase effective March 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017.