

ORDINANCE NO. 09092019-2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 01252016 PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN WATER AND SEWER UTILITY RATES.

Whereas, certain charges to water and sewer utility customers are necessary to ensure that projected revenues are sufficient to cover projected expenses and financial obligations of the Water and Sewer Department; and

Whereas, the City's cost for water has been increased by the City's provider according to its Water Supply Contract; and

Whereas, the City of Merkel's last increase to water and sewer utility rates was made on January 25, 2016; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Merkel is empowered to enact this Ordinance to ensure continued water and sewer utility service to the Citizens of Merkel, Texas and to those receiving water and sewer utility service outside the City Limits of the City of Merkel, Texas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, THAT:

PART ONE: Ordinance No. 01252016 is hereby amended to provide a rate structure as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made part of this Ordinance for all purposes.

PART TWO: That the effective date of this action for all customers shall be such that the first billing statement prepared in November 2019, which generally reflects water used in October 2019, and all subsequent billing statements, shall reflect the rates presented in Exhibit A.

PART THREE: That this Schedule of Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Utility Services shall be kept on file in the City Secretary's office and in the Water Utility office.

PART FOUR: That if any provision or section of this Ordinance shall be held to be void or unconstitutional, such holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining provisions or sections of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this, the 9th day of September 2019.

Mary Schrampfer
Mayor, Mary Schrampfer

Attest: Evelyn Morse
City Secretary, Evelyn Morse

Approved: _____
City Attorney, Claudia Clinton