

RESOLUTION NO. 25PUC-001

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING WATER INFRASTRUCTURE SURCHARGE EFFECTIVE AS OF MAY 1, 2025.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 10922 and the authority of Section 48-28.1 of the Duluth City Code, 1959, the Duluth city council created a water infrastructure surcharge; and

WHEREAS, the City Council gave authority to the Duluth Public Utilities Commission (DPUC) to impose such water infrastructure surcharge upon such customers and users; and

WHEREAS, the DPUC has determined that a water infrastructure surcharge is necessary to pay amounts needed to fund debt service, construction, and maintenance of the city's water treatment, storage, and distribution system; and

WHEREAS, the DPUC has determined that the term of the water infrastructure surcharge shall be 20 years, unless modified by the DPUC; and

WHEREAS, the DPUC shall review the water infrastructure surcharge at least annually.

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 48-28.1 of the Duluth City Code, 1959, as amended, effective May 1, 2025, the water infrastructure surcharge authorized thereunder will be charged monthly to consumers and users at a rate based upon one hundred cubic feet of water, as follows:

| Rate Category | Water Infrastructure Surcharge Rate per CCF |
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| R1 (0-32 CCF) | \$0.980 |
| R2 (32-80 CCF) | \$0.918 |
| R3 (80-240 CCF) | \$0.807 |
| R4 (>240 CCF) | \$0.710 |
| CI1 (0-40 CCF) | \$0.980 |
| CI2 (40-200 CCF) | \$0.821 |
| CI3 (200-1,000 CCF) | \$0.660 |
| CI Large (>1,000 CCF) | \$0.505 |
| Hermantown | \$0.805 |
| Proctor | \$0.805 |
| Rice Lake | \$0.805 |
| Sofidel America Contract | \$0.100 |

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any prior rates inconsistent or conflicting with the rates set forth herein are hereby superseded.

Approved by the DPUC: _____
(date)

Submitted to City Council: _____
(where appropriate) (date)

ATTEST:

Director
Public Works and Utilities
City of Duluth

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The purpose of this resolution is to establish the amount of the water infrastructure surcharge for each consumer and user of the City's system. These amounts have been determined to meet the funding needs of the City for debt service, construction, and maintenance of the City's water treatment, storage, and distribution system. As required by City ordinance, the surcharge will be reviewed by the DPUC at least annually.