

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 715 USER CHARGE SYSTEMS; SPECIFICALLY, SECTION 715.040 USER CHARGE RATES SUBSECTIONS A. & B. BY REVISING THE WATER USE CHARGES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri wishes to amend the City Code for water rates. The City has examined the actual costs for providing water and maintaining said system so that these fees will reflect the actual cost to the City and maintain an adequate and reasonable reserve in the water fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ste. Genevieve must pay all expenses associated with said treatment works and charge the users of said treatment works accordingly.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1. SECTION 715.040 USER CHARGE RATES IS HEREBY REPEALED AND REPLACED WITH THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE:**

- A.** Each user shall pay for the services provided by the City based on their use of the water system as determined by water meter(s) acceptable to the City.
  
- B.** All monthly user charges will be based on monthly water usage at the following rates:
  - a.** The minimum charge for water customers inside the City limits shall be **\$7.38** per month. In addition, each customer shall pay a user unit charge of operation and maintenance including replacement of **\$.06268 per cubic feet** of water. For all water customers outside city limits that do not have a contractual agreement with the City of Ste. Genevieve the water rate shall be two times the rates for those living within the City limits. A customer that has one meter that serves multiple dwelling units shall be charged the minimum **\$7.38** times the number of units, plus the operation and maintenance including replacement fee of **\$.06268 per cubic feet** of water. The user charge rates established in this article shall apply to all users of the City of Ste. Genevieve system regardless of the user's location.
  
  - b.** The following special rates for monthly water usage shall apply to all companies and/or industries that have a contractual arrangement with the City of Ste. Genevieve to provide lime for the municipal water system. A fee of **\$6.61** per 1,000 gallons (**\$.04938/cu. feet**) shall be charged on a monthly basis.

**SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of passage by the Board of Aldermen.

**SECTION 3. REPEALER.** All ordinances and parts thereof that are in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity of any section, sentence, or provision of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

**DATE OF FIRST READING:** February 22, 2024

**DATE OF SECOND READING:** March 14, 2024

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI THIS 14 DAY OF March, 2024 BY A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:**

**VOTE**

<b>Alderwoman Kristi Cleghorn</b>	Absent
<b>Alderman Patrick Fahey</b>	Absent
<b>Alderman Bob Donovan</b>	Aye
<b>Alderman Eric Bennett</b>	Aye
<b>Alderman Mike Raney</b>	Aye
<b>Alderman Jeff Eydmann</b>	Absent
<b>Alderman Joe Prince</b>	Aye
<b>Alderman Joe Steiger</b>	Aye
	<u>5</u> Yes <u>0</u> No <u>3</u> Absent

Approved as to form:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Keim, Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Bishop, City Attorney

SEAL

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Pam Meyer, City Clerk

Reviewed by:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Happy Welch, City Administrator