

**Ordinance No. 463**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES ESTABLISHING THE**  
**CHARGES PERTAINING TO THE WATER, SEWER AND ELECTRIC RATES**  
**WITHIN THE CITY OF ADA**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF ADA, MINNESOTA DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:**

SECTION 1. Section 70-40 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 70-40 Electric, Water and Sewer Rates.

Electric, water and sewer rates are as follows:

(1) Residential Power Rate.

All kwh at 6.99 cents per kwh.  
Service charge of \$11.00 per month.

(2) Commercial Power Rate.

All kwh at 7.68 cents per kwh.  
Service charge of \$12.00 per month.

(3) Water Heating Rate.

All kwh at 7.68 cents per kwh.  
Service charge of \$11.00 per month.

(4) Industrial Power Rate.

All kwh at 6.629 cents per kwh.  
Service charge of \$17.00 per month.

(5) Demand Charge.

All industrial customers utilizing demand power will be billed a demand charge of \$7.25 per kilowatt (kw).

(6) Off-Peak Rate.

- a. Off-Peak Rates. All kwh at 5.01 cents per kwh metered by an off-peak meter. A service charge of \$11.00 per month the year-round regardless of usage shall be paid. Customers without off-peak meters as approved but controlled in accordance with No. 5c and paying regular power rates shall receive a \$11.00 per month credit applied to their utility bill.

- b. Qualified heating and cooling devices. The following devices qualify for off-peak rates: All water heaters, air conditioners, devices including slab heat, either in a concrete floor or bed or sand or gravel; dual fuel furnaces capable of furnishing heat from at least one other source besides electricity and wired to switch from one source to other as needed; separate heating units, including electric baseboard heat and a natural gas or fuel furnace provided it is controlled under the loan management system. Temporary devices, such as portable heaters and fans, are specifically excluded from the off-peak rate.
- c. Installation. To qualify for the off-peak rate, each device will be controlled by a control device furnished and installed free of charge by the city. The city will furnish meter bases, meters and installation of both, as well as installation of the loan control device. All meters will be installed permanently on the outside of the premises for maintenance and meter reading access. All off-peak usage shall be metered on a separate meter and shall not be sub-metered unless previous authorization is given by the water and light board.
- d. Access fee. Each parcel of real property receiving electrical services shall pay an access fee of \$75.00 or such other rate as shall be set by city council resolution.

(7) Water Rate.

The following rates are established:

- a. All cubic feet (CuF) at \$4.11 per 100 CuF.
- b. The Service Charge shall be \$14.75 per month.

Anyone using water for anything but household purposes: such as washing cars, sprinkling lawns or gardens, without a meter will be subject to immediate shut off, unless a suitable place free from freezing and readily accessible for reading is provided for installation and a request for installation of a meter is made. Customers will be held liable for damaged or frozen meters. During a fire call all sprinkling is prohibited when the fire is within the city limits, or water is being used from City water mains to fight said fire.

- c. Supplementary Water Bond Service Fee of \$6.88 per month, per meter, to begin on January 1, 2016 and end on December 31, 2035.

(8) Sewer Rate.

The sewer rate charge is directly related to the metered water usage for the same period of time and shall be charged at the rate of \$2.49 per 100 cubic feet (CuF) of water usage.

A Service Charge of \$11.75 per month will apply to sewer service.

(9) Utility Service Rates for “Out of City” Property.

- a. For each parcel of real property outside of the corporate limits of the City of Ada which received utility service (i.e. water, sewer or electricity) from the City of Ada, there shall be an additional service charge of \$5.00 per month, per utility, which shall be charged in addition to the normal service charge.
- b. For each such parcel receiving the utility services from the City of Ada, there shall be an additional surcharge of ten (10%) percent of the usage rate, over and above the normal usage rate charge.
- c. The initial service charges and utilities provided in paragraphs a. and b. above shall be included in the monthly billing.

SECTION 2. Effective Date: This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication.

Upon being put to a vote, the above Ordinance was duly passed after a second reading by the City Council of the City of Ada this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

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Jim Ellefson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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James Leiman, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer