

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED
DECREASE IN WATER RATES AND CHARGES
FOR THE TOWN OF LAGRANGE, INDIANA**

Property owners and other interested parties in the Town of LaGrange, Indiana, are hereby notified that the Rate Ordinance, decreasing the rates and charges for services to be rendered by the water utility, was introduced at a meeting of the Town Council held on 9/19/22. A public hearing of the Town Council will be held at 6:00 p.m., local time, on 10/3/22, at LaGrange Town Hall, 1201 N. Townline Road, LaGrange, Indiana 46761, on the matter of the rates and charges. The Town Council will convene and may consider the adoption of said ordinance at its regular meeting to be held on 10/3/22.

The Rate Ordinance provides for an increase in rates as set forth in Exhibit A.

At such public hearing and prior to final adoption of the Rate Ordinance, all interested parties may appear and be heard. The complete text of proposed Rate Ordinance is on file and available for examination and copying at the office of the Town's Clerk-Treasurer at 1201 N. Townline Road, LaGrange, Indiana 46761, during regular business hours, and will be available at the public hearing.

Following the adoption of the Rate Ordinance, users located outside the Town's corporate boundaries may be entitled to petition the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission under Indiana Code 8-1.5-3-8.3 to review and adjust the rates and charges imposed on the users if a petition under Indiana Code 8-1.5-3-8.2 or Indiana Code 36-9-23-26.1 with respect to the Rate Ordinance has not been filed.

Dated this _____.

TOWN OF LAGRANGE, INDIANA
Clerk-Treasurer

To be published on _____, 2022.

**"PROPOSED ORDINANCE CHANGE ON SCHEDULE FOR
OCTOBER 3, 2022 - WOULD TAKE EFFECT ON 1/1/2023"**

The rate reflects the required reduction of the URT tax per state law and the previously scheduled increase for 1/1/2023.

Schedule "A" is available at the Town Hall, on our Facebook page, the LaGrange Standard/News (legal ads) and the town website (www.lagrangein.org)

EXHIBIT A

“For the use of and the services rendered by the Water Utility of the Town of LaGrange, Indiana, the following rates and charges are based upon the amount of water supplied by said Water Utility.

		Rate Per 1,000 Gallons			
		Phase II		Phase III	
a.	<u>Consumption Per Month Gallons</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>
		First	2,000 gallons	\$10.13	\$11.64
Next	5,000 gallons	8.64	9.93	8.90	10.23
Next	8,000 gallons	7.18	8.25	7.40	8.50
Next	10,000 gallons	5.80	6.66	5.97	6.86
Over	25,000 gallons	3.81	4.38	3.92	4.50

Outside Town boundaries rates and charges include a surcharge of 14.9% above Inside Town rates.

b. Minimum Monthly Charge

Each user shall pay a minimum charge in accordance with the following applicable size of meter installed for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out in the above schedule of rates:

		Monthly Minimum			
		Phase II		Phase III	
<u>Size of Meter (Inches)</u>	<u>Minimum Gallons Allowed</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>
5/8" – 3/4"	2,000	\$20.25	\$23.27	\$20.86	\$23.97
1"	7,088	64.06	73.60	65.98	75.81
1-1/2"	13,754	111.94	128.62	115.30	132.48
2"	28,492	188.99	217.15	194.66	223.66
3"	78,492	382.89	439.94	394.38	453.14
4"	145,175	637.20	732.14	656.32	754.11
6"	228,492	954.94	1,097.23	983.59	1,130.14

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Apartment buildings will be charged the greater of:

- 1) Actual flow, subject to minimum monthly charges
- 2) Number of apartments times minimum charge for a 5/8" meter

c. **Private Fire Protection – per annum**

Size of Meter (Inches)	Phase II		Phase III	
	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>
6"	\$1,640.76	\$1,885.23	\$1,689.98	\$1,941.79
8"	2,411.34	2,770.63	2,483.68	2,853.75
10"	3,183.73	3,658.11	3,279.24	3,767.85
Hydrant	1,640.76	1,885.23	1,689.98	1,941.79

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d. **Public Fire Protection – per annum**

	Phase II		Phase III	
	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>
Charge per Hydrant	\$1,640.76	N/A	\$1,689.98	N/A

Per Month based on water meter size

Size of Meter (Inches)	Phase II		Phase III	
	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>
5/8" – 3/4"	N/A	\$20.07	N/A	\$20.67
1"	N/A	50.18	N/A	51.69
1-1/2"	N/A	100.34	N/A	103.35
2"	N/A	160.54	N/A	165.36
3"	N/A	301.00	N/A	310.03
4"	N/A	501.69	N/A	516.74
6"	N/A	1,003.37	N/A	1,033.47

e. **Public Fountain**

	Phase II		Phase III	
	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Inside Town Boundaries</u>	<u>Outside Town Boundaries</u>
Charge per Fountain	\$1,640.76	N/A	\$1,689.98	N/A

Non-Recurring Charges

Deposit	\$100.00
Tag Charge	5.00
Reconnection Charge	25.00
Returned Check Fee	40.00

Tap Fees

5/8" – 3/4"	\$200.00
1" and larger	Cost, but not less than \$200.00

Must pay the minimum and receive a permit from the Clerk-Treasurer's office before receiving a building permit.

Delinquent Bill Charges

After 10th day of month Ten percent (10%) of delinquent bill

In all other respects, Ordinance No. 2021-05-03(A), 2020-04-20(A), 2015-05-03(b), 2006-1-3(c), 2006-1-3(d), 2000-11-6 and 1997-11-7 are hereby reaffirmed where not inconsistent with the rates and charges herein modified.

The Phase II rates and charges above shall become effective on January 1, 2023. The Phase III rates and charges above shall become effective on January 1, 2024.