

**CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE
ORDINANCE NO. 164**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE ENACTING A WATER AND SEWER RATE SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 51.30 AND CHAPTER 52.30 FEE REQUIREMENTS. THIS ORDINANCE REPEALS AND REPLACES WATER AND SEWER RATES IN RESOLUTION NO. 13-14-319

WHEREAS, the City of Elephant Butte provides water and sewer services to residential and commercial customers; and

WHEREAS, to maintain appropriate services fixed and variable costs will arise, including but not limited to maintenance and operation of lines, plant, billing costs and debt service; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the users of the water and sewer system bear these costs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Elephant Butte has determined that water and sewer rates are in need of adjustment to assure customers pay their fair share of growth and capacity of the systems; and,

WHEREAS, the continued expansion of the systems are necessary to the environmental health and well-being of the municipal community;

WHEREAS, the City of Elephant Butte strives to keep the water and waste water fees current, a program has been implemented in which the water and waste water fees will be evaluated every third year with the two years in between reserved for incremental increases;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE that customers of the City of Elephant Butte Water System and the Sierra County Regional Wastewater System (North) be subject to the following fees and conditions to go into effect September 1, 2017; in addition a nine (9) dollar increase on the residential wastewater fee will be implemented July 1, 2018:

	WATER		WASTE WATER	
	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
Base Rate	\$22.59/mo.	\$27.00/mo.	\$31.00/mo.	See below
Usage Rate	\$3.25/1k	\$3.25/1k		See Below
Deposit	\$55.00	\$150.00	\$55.00	
Renter Deposit	\$100.00			
Meter Connection	\$1,000	\$2,250	\$1,000	See below
Standby Fee	\$30.00 /yr.	\$30.00/yr.	\$30.00/yr.	
Disconnect Fee	\$25.00	\$25.00		
Reconnect Fee	\$25.00	\$25.00		
Red Tag Fee	\$10.00	\$10.00		
Property Lien Fee	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	
Line Extension	\$95.00/hr.	\$95.00/hr.	\$95.00/hr.	

Commercial Sewer Connection Rates: (one-time fee)

General Business connection fee= \$3000
Lodging= \$5000 + \$50/ room (If more than 50)
RV parks = \$5000 + \$50/ space (If more than 50)
Restaurants = \$5000 + \$10/chair (If more than 50)
Apartments/Condo = \$5000 + \$1000 per unit

Outside City of Elephant Butte Sewer Connection fees based on flow: (one-time fee)

0-5,000 GPD= \$74,225
5,001-7,500 GPD= \$111,338
7,501-10,000 GPD= \$148,450
More than 10,000 GPD= \$222,675

Commercial Sewer Base Rates:

(Businesses with multiple facilities count each separately, example lodging with restaurant, both rates would apply)

Apartments/Mobile Home Parks= \$40/available dwelling
Restaurants/Bars= \$66/up to 30 seats \$110/31+ seats
RV Parks= \$40 + \$3/space
Retail Stores and offices= \$40/
Commercial laundry= \$40 + \$3/machine
Overnight Lodging= \$40 + \$5/room
Carwashes= \$40/stall
Medical= \$44
Convenience Stores= \$44
Churches= \$44
Auto/Boat repair shops= \$40
Dry Dock Storages= \$40
Standalone Public Restrooms= \$44
Community Center/Public Buildings = \$44
Fire Station=\$40
Commercial RV Dump Stations= \$66
Special Use Categories= TBD on cases by case basis
SEPTAGE NOT ACCEPTED

Outside City Limit= Measured flow/loading formula (See below)

fee=base fee+[Q1*(BOD -300)*8.34*A]+[Q1*(TSS-300)*8.34*B]+[Q1*(TKN-50)*8.34*C]+[Q2*D]

Q1= monthly flowrate in MG
Q2= monthly flowrate in 1,000 gallons
BOD= Average BOD of waste stream
TSS= Average TSS of waste stream
TKN= Average TKN of waste stream

- A= Cost per lb. of BOD (\$0.60)
- B= Cost per lb. TSS (\$0.60)
- C= Cost per lb, TKN (\$0.20)
- D=Cost per 1000 gallons of wastewater (\$3.25)

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this 2nd day of August, 2017.



Eunice Kent

Mayor, Eunice Kent

Karen Rieth

Karen Rieth, CMC
Clerk-Treasurer