

**CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE
RESOLUTION 25-26-125**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE ENACTING A WATER RATE SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 52.30 FEE REQUIREMENTS. THIS RESOLUTION REPEALS AND REPLACES WATER AND SEWER RATES IN RESOLUTION 24-25-128.

WHEREAS, the City of Elephant Butte provides water 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, wells, billing costs and debt service; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the continued expansion of the systems is necessary to the environmental health and wellbeing of the municipal community.

WHEREAS, the City of Elephant Butte strives to keep the water fees current, a program has been implemented in which the water and wastewater fees will be evaluated every third year with the two years in between reserved for incremental increases, the last increase and review was FY24-25.

WHEREAS, the City of Elephant Butte is adopting an 8% increase to the water service for residential and commercial rates.

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 be subject to the following fees and conditions to go into effect upon adoption of this resolution.

| | WATER | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| | Residential | Commercial |
| Base Rate | \$26.55/mo. | \$34.56/mo. |
| Usage Rate | \$5.37/1k | \$5.37/1k |
| Owner Deposit | \$55.00 | 2.5 Times Monthly Rate |
| Renter Deposit | \$100.00 Non-Waivable | 2.5 Times Monthly Rate |

| | WATER | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | Residential | Commercial |
| Meter Connection | \$1,000 | \$2,250 |
| Standby Fee | \$30.00 /yr. | \$30.00/yr. |
| Disconnect Fee | \$30.00 | \$30.00 |
| Reconnect Fee | \$30.00 | \$30.00 |
| Red Tag Fee | \$15.00 | \$15.00 |
| Property Lien Fee | \$125.00 | \$125.00 |
| Line Extension | \$95.00/hr. | \$95.00/hr. |

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the governing body of the City of Elephant Butte on this 20th day of March 2026.



Kim Skinner

 Kim Skinner, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Lindsey Cobleigh

 Lindsey Cobleigh, City Clerk

*** The residential water base rate was raised to \$26.55 and water usage was raised to \$5.37 per Kgal. Commercial water base rate was raised to \$34.56..***