

**ORDINANCE NO. 553**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO, AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 13.04 WATER SERVICE SYSTEM, CHAPTER 13.08 SEWER SERVICE SYSTEM, AND CHAPTER 13.12 RATES BILLING AND COLLECTION**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO THAT TITLE 13, CHAPTER 13.04, IN THE FOLLOWING FORM IS HEREBY ENACTED:**

**13.04.030 Water department-Accounts.**

The ~~city clerk-treasurer~~ **Finance Director** shall keep a correct account of all receipts, make out all bills for water rents and materials furnished to consumers, collect the same, and deposit the proceeds so collected to the account of the water works fund of the municipality, and in accordance with the direction of the city manager. (Prior code § 4-3-3)

**13.04.120 Cost of water line extension.**

The costs of water line extensions shall be the responsibility of the owner of the lot requesting service.

**13.04.130 Liability of city for service interruptions or water scarcities.**

The City shall not be liable for damage occasioned by the unavoidable scarcity of water or the failure to furnish water occasioned by the failure of any apparatus of the City.

**13.04.140 Liability of city for leakage or breakage.**

The City will not be liable for any damage or injury by reason of the leakage or breakage of any pipes, lines, meters, equipment, or service cocks upon private property, except by its own negligence.

**13.04.150 Additional regulations not contained in chapter.**

All regulations not contained in this chapter regarding the use of and policies of the City concerning water shall be established by municipal resolutions.

**FURTHER BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO THAT TITLE 13, CHAPTER 13.08, IN THE FOLLOWING FORM IS HEREBY ENACTED:**

**13.08.020 Connection with public sewer—Required— Penalties.**

- A. When the city makes available a sewer line within one hundred feet of any lot or parcel of land located within the city, the owner shall make application to and connect with the sewer system of the city; and upon the owner's failure to do so within ninety days, the occupant thereof shall, within ninety days, make application to and connect with the utility system of the city. Upon connection with the utility system of the city all cesspools and pit toilets shall be discontinued and filled.

~~B. Failing to abide by this section, the owner of any lot or parcel of land and occupant thereof shall be subject to a fine of twenty five dollars for each offense for each thirty days in which this section has not been complied with. As a separate and additional remedy, if the owner or occupant fails to connect with such sewer system or fails to fill all cesspools and pit toilets, the city commission by resolution may declare the premises a nuisance and summarily abate such nuisance by padlocking the same or enjoining the occupancy of such premises. Upon the premises being declared a nuisance, the city shall no longer furnish water service to such premises and it is unlawful for any utility to serve such premises and any utility or employee thereof thereafter serving such premises shall be subject to a fine of twenty five dollars for each offense. (Prior code § 4-3-26)~~

- B. Failing to abide by this section, the owner of any lot or parcel of land and occupant thereof shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars for each offense for each thirty days in which this section has not been complied with. As a separate and additional remedy, if the owner or occupant fails to connect with such sewer system or fails to fill all cesspools and pit toilets, the city commission by resolution may declare the premises a nuisance and summarily abate such nuisance by padlocking the same or enjoining the occupancy of such premises. Upon the premises being declared a nuisance, the city shall no longer furnish water service to such premises and it is unlawful for any utility to serve such premises and any utility or employee thereof thereafter serving such premises shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars for each offense. (Prior code § 4-3-26)

**13.08.040 ~~House connections~~ Connections — Regulations.**

All ~~house connections~~ shall be regulated by and conform to the latest edition of "The Plumbing Code of the State of New Mexico." (Prior code § 4-3-47 (16))

**13.08.105 Cost of sewer line extension**

The costs of sewer line extensions shall be the responsibility of the owner of the lot requesting service.

### **13.08.240 Additional regulations not contained in chapter**

All regulations not contained in this chapter regarding the use of and policies of the City concerning sewer shall be established by municipal resolutions.

**FURTHER BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LOVINGTON, NEW MEXICO THAT TITLE 13, CHAPTER 13.12, IN THE FOLLOWING FORM IS HEREBY ENACTED:**

#### **13.12.010 Disposition of funds.**

The sums received from the charges imposed by this chapter for water and sewer service shall be deposited into a fund known as the ~~joint waterworks and sewer system fund~~ Utilities Fund, and is to be used solely for the purpose of water and sewer operating and maintenance purposes. The sums received from the charges imposed by this chapter for garbage service shall be deposited into a fund known as the Solid Waste Fund. (Prior code § 4-3-13)

#### **13.12.020 Rate adjustments.**

Where, because of special conditions, the sewer rate or, water, or garbage rate would be unfair, inequitable or not in conformity with the rates paid by other users for similar service, the city commission may, on petition of the owner or upon its own motion, by resolution adjust such rate by increasing, decreasing, setting the same within minimum or maximum limits or putting the same on a fixed rate. (Prior code § 4-3-1 I)

#### **13.12.040 Deposits required.**

~~Each residential garbage customer within the extraterritorial zone shall make a cash deposit with the city of thirty five dollars. Each residential water customer in an owner occupied residence within the city limits shall make a cash deposit with the city of fifty dollars, and each residential water customer in a non-owner occupied residence within the city of eighty dollars, unless the owner of the non-owner occupied residence provides written notice to the city that they do not wish to be responsible for any unpaid water/sewer/garbage bill incurred by the renter. Such written notice shall comply with NMSA 1978, Section 3-23-6 (1995 Repl. Pamp.). In the event of such written notice, the deposit for such non-owner occupied residence shall be two hundred dollars. Each commercial establishment shall make a cash deposit with the city of forty dollars to guarantee the payment of water bills, and each commercial establishment shall make a cash deposit of ten dollars to guarantee the payment of sewer bills. In the event of discontinuance of the service, the deposit will be refunded to the customer after the deduction of any bill due to the city for water service, sewer service, garbage service and any other bill and in the event that the deposit is insufficient to pay any bill due to the city, the city shall have a lien upon the land for the balance thereof. Interest will not be paid by the city on the deposits. (Ord. 473, 2006; Ord. 445 (part), 2003)~~

- A. Each customer shall make a cash deposit to the city for the following listed amounts based upon their type of use. Type of use is defined as:

Residential: a single-family residence

Commercial: any user or consumer other than a single-family residence except for Industrial or Industrial II users

Industrial: users that obtain service from the waterworks systems of the city for use in production or manufacturing services on the site of their place of business

Industrial II: users that obtain service from the waterworks system of the city for use or sale of such water off site from their principal place of business or from city supply sites

- B. Owners of a residential rental property may provide notice to the City that they do not wish to be responsible for any unpaid water/sewer/garbage bills incurred by the renter by providing the City a signed waiver that shall comply with NMSA 1978, Section 3-23-6 (1995 Repl. Pamp.). A waiver must be in place for each individual rental property. Owners who wish to void a waiver must do so by making the request in writing to the Utilities Office. In order to reinstate the waiver, a new waiver must be submitted to the utility office prior to service being restored.

C. Deposits

1. Water Service

<b>Customer Type</b>	<b>Deposit Amount</b>
Residential – Owner Occupied	\$30.00
Residential – Rental, no waiver	\$60.00
Residential – Rental, waiver	\$100.00
Commercial – Owner Occupied	\$40.00
Commercial - Rental	\$200.00

2. Sewer Service

<b>Customer Type</b>	<b>Deposit Amount</b>
Residential – Owner Occupied	\$20.00
Residential – Rental, no waiver	\$20.00
Residential – Rental, waiver	\$100.00
Commercial – Owner Occupied	\$10.00
Commercial - Rental	\$50.00

### 3. Garbage

<b>Customer Type</b>	<b>Deposit Amount</b>
Residential – Owner Occupied	\$35.00
Residential – Rental, no waiver	\$35.00
Residential – Rental, waiver	\$40.00
Commercial – Owner Occupied	\$35.00
Commercial - Rental	\$40.00

- D. In the event of discontinuance of the service, the deposit will be refunded to the customer after the deduction of any bill due to the city for water service, sewer service, garbage service and any other bill. Disconnects must be performed by the account holder in person.
- E. New deposit fees become effective July 1, 2017 for new services, new accounts, or restored or reinstated accounts.
- F. Rate reductions
1. Residential customers over the age of sixty-five (65) are eligible for a ten percent (10%) reduction to their monthly utility bill.
    - a. Proof of age must be provided to the Utility Billing Office. Proof of age will be determined by the customer providing a driver's license or ID card issued by a State with the United States, a U.S. Passport book or card, work visa, or original birth certificate.
    - b. Account holder must physically reside at the address being provided service.
    - c. Reduction is limited to one household per family.
  2. Residential customers who are receiving SSD or SSI benefits are eligible for a ten percent (10%) reduction to their monthly utility bill.
    - a. Proof of benefits being received must be provided to the Utility Billing Office every six months.
    - b. Account holder must physically reside at the address being provided service.
    - c. Reduction is limited to one household per family.
  3. Customers shall only receive a single rate reduction and not a combination of F(1) age over 65 or F(2) SSD or SSI benefits.

**13.12.050 Residential water rates.**

The water rates to be charged and collected by the city from each **single-family** residence obtaining service from the waterworks systems of the city shall be as follows:

Amended rates shall become effective ~~September 15, 2007~~ **July 1, 2017**. and shall be automatically adjusted to conform to periodic adjustments of the Consumer Price Index (C.P.I.). Rate adjustments will take effect September 15th of each year.

~~First 3,000 gallons — Monthly minimum of \$15.91~~

~~Over 3,000 gallons — Additional \$1.41 for each additional 1,000 gallons or part thereof~~

<b>Usage</b>	<b>7/1/2017</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> 3,000 gallons</b>	<b>\$21.15 monthly minimum</b>
<b>Over 3,000 gallons</b>	<b>\$1.87 for each 1,000 gallons or part thereof</b>

**A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.**

(Ord. 482, 2007: Ord. 470, 2006: Ord. 442 (part), 2002: Ord. 427 (part), 2000: Ord. 408 (part), 1997: Ord. 375 (part), 1993: amended during 1992 codification; Ord. 318, 1983: prior code § 4-3-14)

**13.12.060 Commercial water rates.**

The water rates to be charged and collected by the city from each commercial establishment obtaining service from the waterworks systems of the city shall be as follows:

Amended rates shall become effective ~~September 15, 2007~~ **July 1, 2017**. and shall be automatically adjusted to conform to periodic adjustments of the Consumer Price Index (C.P.I.). Rate adjustments will take effect September 15th of each year.

~~First 5,000 gallons — Monthly minimum of \$23.92~~

~~Over 5,000 gallons — Additional \$1.45 for each additional 1,000 gallons or part thereof~~

Usage	7/1/2017
1 <sup>st</sup> 5,000 gallons (Monthly Minimum)	\$31.79
Over 5,000 gallons (for each 1,000 gallons or part thereof)	\$1.93 for each 1,000 gallons or part thereof

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

(Ord. 483, 2007; Ord. 471, 2006; Ord. 442 (part), 2002; Ord. 427 (part), 2000; Ord. 408 (part), 1997; Ord. 375 (part), 1993; amended during 1992 codification: Ord. 317, 1983; prior code § 4-3-15)

**13.12.065 Industrial Water Rates.**

- A. An industrial water rate shall be charged and collected for businesses that obtain service from the waterworks systems of the city for use in production or manufacturing services on the site of their place of business. The water rates to be charged and collected by the city from each industrial customer shall be as follows:

First 5,000 gallons — Monthly minimum of \$1.85 per 1,000 gallons or part thereof

Over 5,000 gallons — Additional \$2.35 for each additional 1,000 gallons or part thereof

Usage	7/1/2017
1 <sup>st</sup> 5,000 gallons	\$2.46 monthly minimum per 1,000 gallons or part thereof
Over 5,000 gallons	\$3.12 for each 1,000 gallons or part thereof

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

- ~~B. Amended rates shall become effective June 1, 2013 and may be adjusted to meet the needs of the city. Rate adjustments will take effect September 15 of each year.~~

(Ord. 509, 2013; Ord. 499, 2010)

**13.12.068 Industrial water rates II.**

A. An industrial water rate II shall be charged and collected for customers or businesses that obtain service from the waterworks system of the city for use or sale of such water off site from their principal place of business or from city supply sites. The water rates to be charged and collected from each industrial customer II shall be as follows:

First 1,000 gallons or less — \$7.10

Over 1,000 gallons — Additional \$0.67 for each additional 100 gallons or part thereof

Usage	7/1/2017
1 <sup>st</sup> 1,000 gallons or less	\$9.43
Over 1,000 gallons	\$0.89 for each 100 gallons or part thereof

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

~~B. Amended rates shall become effective June 1, 2013 July 1, 2017 and may be adjusted to meet the needs of the city. Rate adjustments will take effect September 15 of each year. (Ord. 509, 2013)~~

**13.12.075 Rental Property Cleanup.**

Landlords may establish temporary metered service at a property for a period no longer than five (5) calendar days in order to clean-up tenant vacated rental property.

- A. A ten (10) dollar deposit, per property, will be required
- B. The landlord will be charged eighty-nine cents (\$0.89) per every 100 gallons
- C. The amount of water used will be deducted from the deposit. Any usage above the deposit will be due immediately after the five calendar days. The meter will be reading will be recorded prior to turning temporary service on and will be recorded at time of disconnection.

**13.12.085 Additional charges for testing meters, when found in proper condition**

Any customer who believes that their water meter is not registering accurately may apply to have the water meter replaced or tested by an independent testing facility. This request must be made in writing to the Utility Billing Office.

- 1. A meter shall only be replaced one time.



2. Should the customer not agree to a meter replacement or is not satisfied with the readings obtained from the new meter, testing by an independent testing facility will be conducted. If the meter registers more than five (5) percent high, the City will adjust the associated monthly water bill. If the meter is found to be accurate within five (5) percent, or if the meter reading is low, the following charges shall be added to such customers subsequent utility bill:
  - a. A fifty-dollar (\$50.00) meter testing service.
  - b. The actual cost to perform meter testing.

#### **13.12.090 Charge for turning water on or off – after hours.**

If the water supply to any property is turned on or off for any reason, a charge of \$50 may be made for turning the water on or off, at the discretion of the City Manager. If it is necessary to turn the water on or off other than between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., there shall be a charge of \$50 made each time the water is turned on or off. **These charges will be added to the customers monthly bill. If water supply to a property is turned off due to an emergency, the charge of \$50 may be waived at the discretion of the City Manager or authorized designee.** (Ord. 261, 1977; Ord. 501, 2011: prior code § 4-3-20)

#### **13.12.095 Customer Water Leaks**

In the event that a customer identifies a water leak on their property that results in an increased water bill, the following measures will be taken:

- A. Customer must notify the Utility Billing Office within the current billing cycle.
- B. Customer must provide documentation that shows proof that the leak has been repaired.
- C. The customers water and sewer charges will be averaged over the previous six months prior to identification of the leak by the customer. The average bill will be the amount that is due. The Utility Billing Office will make the necessary adjustments to the account to reflect the new total amount due.

#### **13.12.100 Delinquent rents—Discontinuance of service.**

All water rents shall be charged against the property served and against the owner thereof, and if for any reason any sums owing therefor become delinquent, after due notice to property owner or his agent of intent to discontinue service and an opportunity by property owner to contest the cutoff, the water shall be cut off and in no case shall it be turned on to the same property until such delinquencies shall have been paid in full. Change of ownership or occupation shall not affect the application of this section. (Amended during 1992 codification: prior code § 4-3-19)

- A. If payment is not received by the 26<sup>th</sup> day of each month for the total past due amount, service will be subject to disconnection.
- B. If payment is not received by the 26<sup>th</sup> day of each month for the total past due amount, a fifty-dollar (\$50.00) penalty will be added to the bill.
  - 1. Payment must be received during normal business hours.
  - 2. Should the 26<sup>th</sup> day of the month fall on a holiday or a weekend, payment is due immediately on the next regular business day by close of business.

**13.12.105 Payment extensions.**

Payment extensions will be allowed twice per calendar year (January 1 through December 31).

- A. The individual who is responsible for the account must make the payment extension request no later than the 25<sup>th</sup> day of each month in order to avoid service interruption.
- B. The individual will be granted an additional thirty (30) days to pay the account balance in full.
- C. The individual will still incur the 5% late fee.
- D. Failure to pay the unpaid balance after the extension and any new or current charges will cause service disconnection. In order to restore service, the entire balance due must be paid in full and a fifty-dollar (\$50.00) penalty will be added to the bill.

**13.12.110 Collection date—Penalty Late fee.**

All bills shall be due and payable on the first day of each month for the previous month's service. If such bills are not paid on or before the tenth day of the month, a penalty late fee of ten percent of the amount of the bill shall be added. (Prior code § 4-3-10)

**13.12.111 Tampering with public utilities.**

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to connect or attach or cause to be connected or attached, any kind of pipe, wire or other contrivance to any pipe, fire hydrant, line, wire or other conductor or appurtenance thereto, carrying gas, water electricity, television signals, telephone signals or other conveyances provided by or belonging to a public utility (whether publicly or privately owned) in such a manner as to enable such person or other persons to receive, consume or use gas, water, electricity, television signals, telephone signals or other utility service without the same passing through a meter, without obtaining the proper permit, without paying the required fee or in any other manner so as to evade payment for such public utility service.
- B. It also shall be unlawful for any person to damage, tamper with or destroy any pipe, line, wire, meter or any other part of any public utility, including cable television, water, gas, electricity and telephone and telegraph systems.

C. If any meter, pipe, line, wire, fixture or other installation or appurtenance thereto provided by a public utility primarily for the purpose of serving a particular account is found to have been tampered with or altered in violation of Subsection A of this section, the person or other customer whose name appears on the records of the public utility affected as the person or firm responsible for payment of such account shall be held prima facie responsible for such violation. **In addition to a potential criminal charge for tampering with utilities, consumers and/or property owners shall be billed the actual cost for any repairs and/or replacement of damaged equipment and/or appurtenances and the costs thereof and all other charges, fees, penalties, interest, etc., owned on the account must be paid, in full, prior to any utility services being restored to any property. All delinquent charges assessed to a property must be paid in full prior to reinstatement of any utilities services to a delinquent property.**

D. Any act which, if uncorrected, would result in any utility customer being billed or charged by such utility for a lesser amount of utility service than actually furnished shall be deemed in violation of Subsection A hereof.

E. Conviction for violation of this section shall not affect the offenders civil liability for damages done to facilities or responsibility to pay for gas, water, electricity, television signals, telephone signals or other utility service used but not paid for.

F. Anyone convicted of a violation of this ordinance, 13.12.111, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned for not more than ninety (90) days, or both. (Ord. 445 (part), 2003)

#### **13.12.160 Use charge schedule.**

A. There is levied on all persons, firms, corporations, organizations, political units and political subdivisions and all other entities using the wastewater collection and treatment system of the city, a schedule of charges as provided in this section.

B. Users connected to and served by the sewer system of the city shall be classified as either domestic, industrial or commercial.

A. The following schedule of charges, which include a portion designated as the user charge, used for payment of costs of operation and maintenance, and replacement, of the wastewater collection and treatment system, shall be amended as follows:

**B. The following rates are effective July 1, 2017.**

Residential use rates:

~~Amended rates effective September 15, 2007:~~

~~First 3,000 gallons — Monthly minimum of \$11.48~~

Over 3,000 gallons — Additional \$0.78 for each additional 1,000 gallons or part thereof

Usage	7/1/2017
1 <sup>st</sup> 3,000 gallons or less	\$15.26 minimum monthly
Over 3,000 gallons	\$1.04 for each 1,000 gallons or part thereof

Commercial use rates:

Amended rates effective September 15, 2007:

First 5,000 gallons — Monthly minimum of \$17.73

Over 5,000 gallons — Additional \$0.78 for each additional 1,000 gallons or part thereof.

Usage	7/1/2017
1 <sup>st</sup> 5,000 gallons or less	\$23.57 minimum monthly
Over 5,000 gallons	\$1.04 for each 1,000 gallons or part thereof

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

The rates set forth above shall be automatically adjusted to conform to periodic adjustments of the Consumer Price Index (C.P.I.). Rate adjustments will take effect September 15th of each year.

D. The monthly rates for sewer service furnished to domestic users shall be based on the average water consumption in the months of January, February and March.

E. All domestic users initiating service after April 1st of each year shall be charged on the basis of the water consumption of a typical user of the same or similar class and type of service until an average for the user is established for the following months of January, February and March.

F. The monthly rates for sewer services furnished to each commercial or industrial user shall be based on the water consumed by the commercial or industrial user each month at the rates set out in this section.

G. Users not connected to the city sewer system, including, but not limited to, septic tanks and cesspools, but who periodically discharge sewage into the city's sewage system, shall be charged the amount of two cents per gallon with the number of gallons being based upon the capacity of the container discharging its contents. (Ord. 484, 2007:

Ord. 472, 2006; Ord. 442 (part), 2002; Ord. 427 (part), 2000; Ord. 421, 1999; Ord. 408 (part), 1997; Ord. 311 §§ 5-10, 1982)

### 13.12.190 Surcharge schedule.

A. Every user who discharges sanitary sewage, industrial wastes, water or other liquids other than normal sewage shall be charged and pay a surcharge in addition to the charge for normal sewage.

B. The following surcharge schedule, which includes a portion designated as the user charge, will be implemented. The user charge portion is to be for the payment of the costs of operation and maintenance (including replacement) of the wastewater collection and treatment system. Charges shall be based on one hundred percent of metered water use in accordance with the following formula:

$$s = .00834 \text{ } \cancel{\$ .41} \text{ } \$0.54 (Vs)(\text{BOD} - 200) + \cancel{\$ .41} \text{ } \$0.54 (Vs)(\text{SS} - 200)]$$

Where:

S =  $\cancel{\$0.82} \text{ } \$1.09$  per lb.

S = Surcharge in dollars monthly

Vs = Sewage volume in thousand gallons per month

.00834 = Conversion factor for pounds per thousand gallons

$\cancel{\$ .41} \text{ } \$0.54$  = Unit charge for BOD in dollars per pound, of which  $\cancel{\$ .37} \text{ } \$0.49$  represents the user charge portion and  $\cancel{\$ .04} \text{ } \$0.05$  represents capital charges

BOD- Five days strength index in milligrams per liter by weight.

200 = Allowed BOD and SS strengths in milligrams per liter by weight

$\cancel{\$ .41} \text{ } \$0.54$  = Unit charge for suspended solids in dollars per pound, of which  $\cancel{\$ .37} \text{ } \$0.49$  represents the user charge portion and  $\cancel{\$ .04} \text{ } \$0.05$  represents capital charges.

SS = Suspended solids strength index in milligrams per liter by weight

New charges become effective on July 1, 2017

**Article IV  
Garbage Rates**

**13.12.250 Residential Garbage Rates (In City Limits)**

The garbage rates to be charged and collected per month by the city from each residence obtaining service from the contractor employed by the city shall be as follows:

Description	7/1/2017
1 Polycart	\$27.00
2 Polycarts	\$34.76

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

**13.12.260 Extraterritorial Zone Residential Garbage Rate**

The garbage rates to be charged and collected per month by the city from each extraterritorial zone residence obtaining service from the contractor employed by the city shall be as follows:

Description	7/1/2017
1 Polycart	\$31.43
2 Polycarts	\$39.23

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

**13.12.270 Commercial Garbage Rate**

The garbage rates to be charged and collected per month by the city from each commercial establishment obtaining service from the contractor employed by the city shall be as follows:

Description	7/1/2017
1 Polycart	43.19
2 Polycarts	84.81
2 yard – 1 pickup per week	86.16
2 yard – 2 pickups per week	172.09
3 yard – 1 pickup per week	128.43
3 yard – 2 pickups per week	256.88
4 yard – 1 pickup per week	167.72
4 yard – 2 pickups per week	335.41
6 yard – 1 pickup per week	245.78
6 yard – 2 pickups per week	491.58

8 yard – 1 pickup per week	325.57
8 yard – 2 pickups per week	651.12

A 2% cost for service increase shall be effective automatically each July 1<sup>st</sup> unless rescinded by the Lovington City Commission sixty (60) calendar days prior.

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