

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO
KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN

**MOTION TO APPROVE
AMENDED AND RESTATED WATER CONNECTION FEES**

January 26, 2021

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Oshtemo has heretofore adopted the Public Water Service Ordinance, being Ordinance No. 508; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 2, 4 and 5 of said Ordinance, the Township Board is required to establish appropriate fees for public water main connections, private water main connections, user fees and other charges, from time to time, to reflect the changes in construction costs and to maintain a uniformity between current projects and special assessment districts; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township Board to treat all persons similarly benefitted and similarly situated in an equal manner with respect to water service charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, until further modification by the Township Board, water connection fees and construction charges within the Charter Township of Oshtemo shall be as follows.

Motion made by **Libby Heiny-Cogswell**, seconded by **Cheri Bell**, to adopt the foregoing Amended and Restated Water Connection Fees.

Upon roll-call vote, the following voted AAYe@:

Cheri Bell
Kizzy Bradford
Clare Buszka

Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Kristin Cole

The following voted "Nay":

Dusty Farmer
Zak Ford

The following "Abstained":

None

The following were absent:

None

The Supervisor declared that the Motion carried, and duly adopted.



Dusty Farmer, Clerk
Oshtemo Charter Township

CERTIFICATE

I, Dusty Farmer, the duly elected and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Oshtemo, hereby certify that the foregoing Motion to Approve the Amended and Restated Water Connections Fees was adopted by the Township Board of said Charter Township at a regular meeting of said Board held on January 26, 2021, at which meeting a quorum was present, and the Motion was approved and ordered to take effect on January 26, 2021.



Dusty Farmer, Township Clerk
Oshtemo Charter Township

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AMENDED AND RESTATED WATER CONNECTION FEES

**EFFECTIVE:
JANUARY 26, 2021**

I.

CONNECTION FEES

A. Public Water Main Connection and Benefit Fees.

1. All property connecting to a public water main shall pay a water main connection Fee unless the property has been assessed as part of a water main special assessment district or is part of a development wherein the developer paid the full cost of water main installation, in which case, there shall be no water main connection fee charged.
2. The public water main connection fee is to be calculated as follows:
 - a. Assessable front foot \$65.00
 - b. Lineal foot (measured along center line of main) \$85.00
 - c. Boring under existing road, additional hydrant to existing main, topsoil, and surface restoration as required Actual Cost + 15%
 - d. Assessable frontage and lineal foot charges shall only be collected for the first 200 feet* for private single and two-family residential properties with only one residential building thereon.

* New parcels, lots or building sites which are split from property already connected to the public water system shall pay the fees as set forth above, except to the extent that a portion of the new lot, parcel or building site front footage or lineal footage was part of

the first 200 feet for which the front foot or lineal foot charge has already been levied and paid.

All commercial development, industrial development, residential plat or site condominium, as well as multi-family residential development, shall pay the applicable footage charge without limitation.

- e. All property connecting to a public water main shall also pay a Benefit Fee unless the property was assessed as part of a special assessment district, in which case, the subject property shall be entitled to a credit for one benefit fee. Any additional benefit unit charges shall be calculated and paid in accordance with Section V.
3. The assessable front foot connection charge shall apply when a property borders the water main right-of-way, and the lineal foot charge shall apply when the water main right-of-way is located in the interior of a parcel.
4. Installment Payment Agreements shall not exceed 20 years to be charged at the rate of interest equal to the rate set up by Fannie Mae on January 1 of each year based upon the Loan Level Price Adjustment (LLPA) matrix table 1 for all eligible mortgages, using an average credit score of 660-679, and a loan to value range of 80-85%, plus .5%, not to exceed the maximum rate allowed by law.
5. Hydrants shall be placed at intervals of approximately 1,000 feet on all new installation as determined by the Township Engineer. All hydrants are subject to review and approval of the Township Fire Department and may be required at intervals less than 1,000 feet.

B. Water Service Connections and Connection Fees.

On January 1, 2019, the work to install residential water main taps and curb stop valves is planned to transition from Oshtemo to the City of Kalamazoo. Fees and scope of water connection work are dependent upon policies established separately by the City of Kalamazoo (utility service provider) and Oshtemo Township. When an application for water service is received, Oshtemo shall identify the necessary installation service and the organization responsible for providing the water service. For non-residential or non-standard service sizes the City may allow the developer's contractor to complete the service at a private cost under the City's oversight. If required, an agreement between the City of Kalamazoo and the customer will be necessary to initiate this work. If the above described transition is not completed and Township does a portion of the work, the fee for the work by Oshtemo is described herein. If provided, Oshtemo's work is limited to the public right of way. The remaining service line extent shall be

privately installed with oversight by the City of Kalamazoo. All private contractors require pre-approval by the Township or its agent, the City of Kalamazoo. The following service line installation fees are established by Oshtemo:

1. The service connection is that pipe from the public water distribution main that delivers water to the curb stop which, in turn, delivers water to the property being serviced. The customer pays for the installation of this service based upon size unless the same was previously installed by the Developer. In the event that the Township has previously installed the curb-stop, or one will need be installed, the charge for a standard connection is as follows:
 - a. 1¼" tap with installation of line and curb box installed by Oshtemo or its construction agent - \$2,700.00.
 - b. 1¼" tap to existing line and curb box previously installed by Oshtemo Township - \$1,515.00.
 - c. 1¼" tap with installation of line and curb box installed by City of Kalamazoo or its contractors – see City of Kalamazoo fee schedule.
 - d. Special services, 2" – Contact City of Kalamazoo
2. Upon payment of Fees to the Township, the water service applicant (owner) shall be issued a Permit by Oshtemo to receive public water service. This Permit will need to be presented to the City of Kalamazoo in order to establish a service billing account and initiate the water service installation/inspection.
3. The water customer (private owner) is responsible for paying the City of Kalamazoo construction inspection fees. This fee is currently \$350.00 for a residential service, but is subject to the City of Kalamazoo's fee schedule. The work observed by the Township's agent for operation and maintenance includes the water main tap, the curb-stop valve installation, and installation of the service line from the curb box to the water meter.
4. Once Oshtemo and City fees are paid, the property owner or owner's contractor will need to initiate work coordination and scheduling. All inspections will need to be scheduled by the Township's agent for operation and maintenance, as will the Township's construction participation – if a portion of work is to be completed by the Township. If known, the agent/contractor that will be completing the work will be identified in conjunction with the Township's issuance of a Permit to connect to the water utility.

5. Ditches will be left in reasonable condition: Any exceptional lawn work is the owner's responsibility. Extra charges for winter construction may be added when the service is installed at the customer's insistence at times and places when the frost is over 12" thick. Emergency connectors to be made in less than 48 hours may also result in extra charges.

II.

USER FEES

- A. Monthly or quarterly user fees shall be billed to each customer connected to the Oshtemo Township water system as provided in the Water Service Agreement between Oshtemo Charter Township and the City of Kalamazoo dated February 8, 1965.

III.

BENEFIT UNIT CHARGES

- A. Benefit Unit Charges. Each benefit unit charge shall be \$1,000.00 and the number of benefit units to be charged for each connection shall be determined by the following Benefit Unit Schedule:

<u>Connected Use or Activity</u>	<u>Benefit Units</u>	<u>Benefit Unit Factor</u>
Auto Dealer - New and/or Used	1.00	Per premise plus 0.25 per 1,000 square feet of building including service area
Auto Repair/Collision	1.00	Same as above
Auto Wash (coin operated do-it-yourself, 10 gallons or less per car)	1.00	Per stall
Auto Wash (Mechanical - over 10 gallons per car - recycled)	5.00	Per stall or production line including approach and drying area

Auto Wash (Mechanical - over 10 gallons per car - not recycled)	10.00	Per stall or production line including approach and drying area
Bar	4.00	Per 1,000 square feet
Barber Shop	1.00	Per shop plus 0.1 per chair after 2
Beauty Shop	1.00	Per shop plus 0.1 per booth
Bowling Alley (No bar)	1.00	Per premise plus 0.2 per alley
Campground Facilities - recreation vehicle, tents, trailers under 12 feet	0.35	Per pad or site plus picnic facilities
Campground Facilities - trailer park or trailers in excess of 12 feet	0.50	Per pad or site plus picnic facilities
Church	0.25	Per 1,000 square feet minimum of 1
Cleaners (pick-up only)	1.00	Per shop
Cleaners (cleaning and pressing facilities)	1.00	Per premise plus 0.5 per 500 square feet
Clinic (medical or dental)	1.00	Per premise plus 0.5 per exam room
Convalescent or boarding home	1.00	Per premise plus 0.25 per bedroom
Convent	1.00	Per premise plus 0.25 per bedroom
Convenience store	1.50	Per premise plus 0.8 per 1,000 square feet

Country club and athletic club	1.50	Per 1,000 square feet of clubhouse plus restaurant, bar and pro shop as retail store
Drug store	1.00	Per premise plus snack bar
Factory (office and production)	0.75	Per 1,000 square feet
Factory (wet process)		Based on metered flow
Funeral home	1.50	Per 1,000 square feet plus residence to be computed separately
Grocery store and supermarket	1.00	Per premise plus 0.8 per 1,000 square feet
Hospital	1.10	Per bed
Hotel and motel	0.40	Per bedroom plus restaurant and bar
Laundry (self-serve)	1.00	Per premise plus 0.5 per washer
Marina - per boat docking Space	.06	Per space under 25 feet in length
	.10	Per space over 25 feet in length
Mobile home (free standing)	1.00	Per unit
Mobile home (park or division)	0.75	Per pad or site at indirect connection rate plus laundry, community buildings and office to be computed separately per schedule

Multiple-family residence		
Duplex, row house or townhouse	1.00	Per dwelling unit
Apartment residence self-contained unit including laundry facilities in apartment	1.00	Per dwelling unit
Apartment residence - other than self-contained unit - not having laundry facilities in apartments	0.80	Per dwelling unit
Fraternity or sorority house	0.50	Per 1,000 square feet of floor area
Park, recreation facilities, campground		
Picnic facilities - no bathing or overnight accommodations	0.20	Per parking space
Picnic facilities - with bathing privileges or swimming pool	0.35	Per parking space
Post office	1.00	Per 1,000 square feet
Professional office	0.25	Per 500 square feet minimum 1
Public institution	0.75	Per 1,000 square feet
Restaurant (meals only)	2.5	Per 1,000 square feet excluding restrooms, public areas not in regular use and unfinished areas
Restaurant (meals and drinks)	3.5	Per 1,000 square feet excluding restrooms, public areas not in regular use and unfinished areas

Restaurant (public area, auxiliary dining room, dance floor or ballroom which are not in regular use)	0.5	Per 1,000 square feet
Retail store (other than listed)	1.0	Per premise plus 0.1 per 1,000 square feet
School	1.0	Per classroom
Service station	1.5	Per 1,000 square feet of building area
Single-family residence	1.0	Per residence
Snack bar, drive-in, etc.	2.5	Per 1,000 square feet
Theater, drive-in	0.04	Per car space
Theater	0.0068	Per seat
Two-family residential	1.0	Per unit
Veterinary facility	1.5	Per facility
Veterinary facility with kennel	1.5	Per facility plus 0.5 per 5 kennels
Warehouse and storage	0.2	Per 1,000 square feet

- B. For those uses not specifically identified above, the Supervisor or his or her designee shall determine the benefit unit factor applicable by identifying the proposed use with that use listed above which is most similar. As a further guide in such determination, each 250 gallons of average daily flow or fraction thereof estimated to be applicable shall constitute one (1) benefit unit.

- C. In no event shall a connected use or activity be charged less than one (1) benefit unit.
- D. The benefit unit charge is predicated upon an assumed average daily flow for a single-family residence of 250 gallons.
- E. All prior resolutions are hereby repealed.

IV.

REGULATIONS APPLYING TO SERVICE CONNECTIONS

- A. SERVICE APPLICATIONS: Applications for service are taken at the Township offices at 7275 West Main Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- B. PAYMENT: All service installation charges will be paid in advance. Customers requesting special services, 2" and above, are required to apply at the City of Kalamazoo Water Department, 415 Stockbridge Avenue.
- C. INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE: All service installations and maintenance are under the control of the Township or its designated representatives, at the request of the property owner or his authorized representative. However, any changes to the site or building subsequent to the installation which hamper the operation or maintenance of their service, shall be rectified at the expense of the owner; the Township is not liable for any resultant damage. No buildings or structures are permitted on top of the service.
- D. SERVICE AND METER LOCATIONS: The location of the service and meter is subject to the approval of the water utility. ALL SERVICE INSTALLATIONS MUST MEET THE DESIGN REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF THE CITY OF KALAMAZOO.
- E. PLUMBING CONNECTIONS: The water utility will supervise work on the water service ends at the valve on the discharge side of the meter. Future maintenance is the responsibility of the customer. If you have a well or jet-operated sump, THAT MUST BE DISCONNECTED AND REMAIN PHYSICALLY SEPARATE FROM THE WATER SERVICE. ABSOLUTELY NO "CROSS CONNECTION" CAN BE MADE TO THE SYSTEM.
- F. SYSTEM PRESSURE: During the time of installation, the distribution system pressure will be checked. If the distribution system pressure exceeds the International Plumbing Code Standard of 80 PSI, a red tag will be attached to the meter. THE CUSTOMER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INSTALLING A PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE AT THE DISCHARGE SIDE OF METER.

V.

DEVELOPER CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT / WATER MAIN EXTENSION AGREEMENT

- A. A developer may contract with the Township to extend a public water main to and through a property subject to the following requirements:
1. The design of the water main extension including hydrant placement, roadway borings, topsoil and surface restoration must be in accordance with the current Township standards and approved by the Township Engineer. Generally, construction will be undertaken by or under the control of the Township (water main extension agreement). If, however, pursuant to the approval and authorization of the Supervisor, construction is undertaken by the developer (developer construction contract), then all construction must be inspected and approved by the Township Engineer and/or City of Kalamazoo prior to any use of the system addition.
 2. All construction and related costs including administrative fees shall be paid by the developer and deposited with the Township prior to commencement of construction. Said costs shall be calculated at the lineal foot rate for new water main. In the event the Township has authorized the developer to undertake the construction, 7% of the costs shall be paid to the Township.
 3. The Township will collect from property owners for all property outside the development connecting to the water main extension the appropriate connection fee, and pursuant to a written agreement with the developer, will refund to the developer during the next ensuing 10-year period following completion of construction, 80% of the assessable front foot fee. The amount of the refund, however, shall in no case exceed the total construction cost.
- B. All water main extensions shall be extended to the far boundary of the property served so as to allow for future extension through adjoining property.

VI.

ANNUAL REVIEW

These fees are to be reviewed annually.