

ORDINANCE NO. 116, 2009  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
AMENDING CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
TO REVISE WATER PLANT INVESTMENT FEES

WHEREAS, the City Council is empowered and directed by Article XII, Section 6, of the City Charter, to fix, establish, maintain and provide for the collection of such rates, fees or charges for utility services furnished by the City as will produce revenues sufficient to pay the costs, expenses and other obligations of the water utility, as set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, Section 26-120 of the City Code provides that the rates and parameters of the Water Plant Investment Fees be reviewed annually by the City Manager and presented to City Council for approval no less frequently than biennially; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2007, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 119, 2007, which established the plant investment fees that are now in effect; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is appropriate for new development to contribute its proportionate share of providing capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends that existing water plant investment fees be adjusted based on the current replacement cost of the capital facilities that will be needed to serve new development and by existing system capacity; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager and City staff have recommended to the City Council that the following Water Plant Investment Fees to be effective January 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, it is the desire of the City Council to amend Chapter 26 of the City Code to revise water plant investment fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That Section 26-128 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 26-128. Schedule C, water plant investment fees.**

The water plant investment fee prescribed in § 26-120 shall be payable by users both inside and outside of the city, as follows:

- (1) *Single-family residential buildings:* For the first three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) inch water tap or meter, a fee of seven hundred thirty dollars (\$730.) for a single-family residence, plus thirty-six cents (\$ 0.36) for each square foot of lot area. For lots greater than one-half acre, the lot size shall be deemed to be one-half

acre for the purpose of this calculation. For each additional tap or meters larger than three-fourths (¾) inch, the nonresidential rate shall apply.

- (2) *Residential buildings of two (2) or more dwelling units:* For each residential building unit a fee of four hundred ninety dollars (\$490.), plus twenty-seven cents (\$ 0.27) for each square foot of lot area. The fee will provide for one (1) tap per residential building and an adequate number of additional taps to serve common irrigable areas, if any. The number and size of taps shall be determined by the General Manager based upon the criteria established in the Uniform Plumbing Code as amended pursuant to Chapter 5 of the Code.
- (3) *Mobile home parks:* For each mobile home park, a fee of four hundred ninety dollars (\$490.) for each mobile home space in the park, plus twenty-seven cents (\$ 0.27) for each square foot of lot area. The fee will provide for one (1) tap per mobile home park. The size of the tap shall be determined by the General Manager based upon the criteria established in the Uniform Plumbing Code as amended pursuant to Chapter 5 of the Code.
- (4) *Hotels, roominghouses, sororities, fraternities and similar uses:* The nonresidential rate shall apply.
- (5) *Nonresidential service:*
  - a. Service to all nonresidential taps, including but not limited to taps for commercial and industrial service, shall be charged according to the size of the meter pursuant to the following schedule:

<i>Meter Size (inches)</i>	<i>Nonresidential Plant Investment Fee</i>
¾	<del>\$6,970.</del> <b>\$7,530.</b>
1	<del>20,590.</del> <b>21,730.</b>
1½	<del>41,510.</del> <b>45,300.</b>
2	<del>65,330.</del> <b>69,070.</b>
3	<del>142,540.</del> <b>157,920.</b>

- b. The fee for all meters larger than three (3) inches shall be negotiated with the General Manager and shall be based on estimated peak day demand but shall not be less than the charge for a 3” meter.

Section 2. That the amendments to Chapter 26 of the City Code contained herein shall go into effect on January 1, 2010.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 20th day of October, A.D. 2009, and to be presented for final passage on the 3rd day of November, A.D. 2009.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 3rd day of November, A.D. 2009.

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