

ORDINANCE 23-09C

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONG BEACH, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, (1997)" IN CHAPTER 82, WHICH PERTAINS TO FEES, LICENSES, BONDS, AND PERMITS

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey mandated the Township comply with the requirements that water meters and sensors be installed at all properties; and

WHEREAS, the State mandate and the Township's compliance therewith required the Township Water and Sewer Department to adopt appropriate and equitable water and sewer rates for each class of property; and

WHEREAS, the Township Water and Sewer Department has determined that the 2023 water rates relating to multi-family, apartment, and condominium properties and the residential excess consumption rates require adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the remainder of the water and sewer rates for other classes of properties remain the same, except that the first quarter charges shall include both the base rate and excess charges, if any, due to the successful operation of and collection of data by the water meters and sensors; and

WHEREAS, the revised rates set forth herein shall be deemed in effect nunc pro tunc to January 1, 2023.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of Township of Long Beach, Ocean County, State of New Jersey, in accordance with the aforesaid Recitals, which are incorporated herein by reference, as follows:

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the ordinance is to amend Chapter 82 to revise the base rates for multi-family, apartment, and condominium properties, adjust the residential water excess consumption rates, and revise the first quarter billing to include both base rate and excess charges.

SECTION I

§82-26B is hereby repealed and replaced as follows.

B. §197-7A water rates.

**Schedule No. 1
Residential Water Base Rates**

Type of Residential Property	Quarterly Rate
Single-family residential property	\$150
Duplex	\$150
Triplex	\$150
Condominium units 500 square feet and under	\$75
Condominium units 501 square feet to 999 square feet	\$112.50
Condominium units 1,000 square feet and more	\$150

**Schedule No. 2
Residential Water Excess Consumption Rates**

Single-family & Multi-Family Residential Property Consumption Rates

1-15,000	\$ 1.00*
15,001-25,000	\$ 2.00
25,001-50,000	\$ 5.00
50,001-100,000	\$10.00
100,001-150,000	\$13.50
150,001-	\$18.00

* All charges are per 1,000 gallons

Consumption Rates for Multi-Condo Unit Consumption
Rate with one shared water meter

1-100,000	\$ 1.00*
100,001 +	\$ 2.00

* All charges are per 1,000 gallons

Standby rate per Quarter (when property is cut and capped)	\$37.75
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**Schedule No. 3
Commercial Water Rates**

Annual base charge by meter size:

1) 5/8"	\$ 65.00
2) 3/4"	\$ 97.00
3) 1"	\$160.00
4) 1 1/2"	\$319.00
5) 2"	\$581.00
6) 3"	\$964.00

Standby rate (when property is cut and capped)	\$111.00
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Quarterly consumption per meter	\$ 5.00*
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* Charge is per 1,000 gallons

**Schedule No. 4
Miscellaneous Charges**

Shut off during business hours (7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., non-holiday, Monday to Friday)	\$172.00
Shut off outside business hours	\$229.00
Cut and cap permit fee	\$66.00
Boat Slips	4x \$50.00

**Schedule No. 5
Water Rates for Construction**

The base charges and consumption rates set forth in Schedules No. 1 and No. 2 shall apply to water use relating to residential and non-residential construction, respectively.

C. Prior to the connection of any property with the Township water system, there shall be paid a connection fee as follows.

(1) 1-inch connection	\$3,000.00
(2) 1 1/2-inch connection	\$3,500.00
(3) 2-inch connection	\$4,000.00

(4) In addition, the applicant shall submit a cash bond or certified check for \$300.00 for the inspection and approval by the Water and Sewer Department.

D. In all subdivisions where the developer is required to install all utilities to curb on public streets, a charge of \$510.00 shall be made for the house connection.

E. §197-26A(2) sewer rates.

**Schedule No. 1
Residential Sewer Rates**

Use	Quarterly Rate
Single-family residential property	\$150
Duplex per Unit	\$150
Triplex per Unit	\$150
Condominium units 500 square feet and under	\$75
Condominium units 501 square feet to 999 square feet	\$112.50
Condominium units 1,000 square feet and more	\$150
	Additional Annual Usage Rate
Each residential water meter	\$100 for prior annual usage that exceeds 150,000 gallons of water

**Schedule No. 2
Commercial and Other Sewer Rates**

Rooming house or boardinghouse up to and including 9 rental rooms	2x	\$1285.00
Rooming house or boardinghouse with 10 or more rental rooms	3x	\$1929.00
Hotel or motel	1x	\$643.00
Rental rooms (each)	Plus 1/4x	\$161.00
Efficiencies (each)	Plus 1/2x	\$323.00
Restaurant	1 1/2x	\$965.00
Each rental room	Plus 1/4x	\$161.00
Each apartment	Plus 1x	\$643.00
Store or office:		
Under 10 employees	1x	\$643.00
10 employees or more	2x	\$1285.00
In-house or with apartment:		
Under 10 employees	2x	\$1285.00
10 employees or more	3x	\$1929.00
Each additional apartment	1x	\$643.00
Bar or café	2x	\$1285.00
Each rental room	Plus 1/4x	\$161.00
Each apartment	Plus 1x	\$643.00
Luncheonette	1x	\$643.00
Each rental room	Plus 1/4x	\$161.00
Each apartment	Plus 1x	\$643.00
Service station:		
Auto	1x	\$643.00
Auto with apartment	2x	\$1285.00
Theater	2x	\$1285.00
Each additional apartment or store	Plus 1x	\$643.00
Launderettes	2x	\$1285.00
Additional for each washing machine	Plus	\$161.00
Car wash	2x	\$1285.00
Additional for each wash unit	Plus	\$161.00
Trailer park	1x	\$643.00
Each trailer connection	1/2x	\$323.00
Each transient location	1/4x	\$161.00

Each garbage disposal unit in addition to all other applicable charges		\$273.00
Club charge	1 1/2x	\$965.00
Community center	1x	\$643.00
Community center with cooking facilities	1 1/2x	\$965.00
Church	1x	\$643.00

**Schedule No. 3
Miscellaneous Charges**

Residential Standby Charge (temporary disconnection of sewer service)	\$600.00
Commercial Standby charge (temporary disconnection of sewer service)	\$643.00
Initial charge for connection of each improved property to the sewerage collection system installed by the Township of Long Beach	\$1542.00
Initial charge for connection of each improved property to the sewerage collection system installed by the builder or applicant	\$251.00
Disconnection inspection fee. Water and sewer lines must be disconnected at the curblineline of the property	\$73.00

F. Industrial or any type of use not hereinabove set forth will be covered by an engineering survey and negotiations with applicant. In any installation where unusual amounts of solid matter may be injected into the sewerage collecting system, it will be mandatory for the property owner to install a solid waste trap at the entrance of the sewerage collecting system.

G. The rents, fees, and charges prescribed above for water and sewer service shall be effective January 1, 2023, and the readings and payment due dates shall be set and paid as follows.

(1) The meter reading, billing, and due dates are as follows. All quarters shall include the base, plus the excess rate.

	Excess Reading Date	Billing Date	Due Date	
Q1	N/A	2/3	3/1	Base + excess
Q2	3/31	5/5	6/1	Base + excess
Q3	6/30	8/4	9/1	Base + excess
Q4	9/30	11/3	12/1	Base + excess
Q1	12/31	2/5	3/1	Base + excess

(2) Accounts shall become delinquent if unpaid 10 days after the due date(s). Interest at the rate of 1 1/2% per month (18% per annum) shall be added to accounts until fully paid. Delinquent balances shall constitute a lien against the property and are enforceable as such. The Township reserves the right to shut off water service to any property for any water bill which remains unpaid beyond 90 days.

H. The test fee set forth in §197-15 shall be \$100.00.

SECTION II

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinance inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION III

If any word, phrase, clause, section, or provision of this Ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal, or unconstitutional such word, phrase, clause, section or provision shall be severable from the balance of the Ordinance and the remainder of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect upon publication thereof after final passage according to law.

Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance 23-09C was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Long Beach, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, held on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

Further public notice is hereby given that said ordinance shall be considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to be held on Monday, April 3, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building, 6805 Long Beach Blvd., Brant Beach, NJ 08008.



Danielle La Valle, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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CERTIFICATION

I, **DANIELLE LAVALLE, RMC**, Municipal Clerk for the Township of Long Beach do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance 23-09C was duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners at their meeting held on Monday, April 3, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.



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