



City of Kuna
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
A Hearing to Consider Adopting Resolution No. R01-2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Kuna City Council will hold a public hearing to take public testimony concerning a proposed resolution concerning the Water System Fees and Policies.

Resolution No. R01-2020 will amend portions of Resolution R84-2017 that sets forth the authority for adopting water connection fees and monthly water service rates, establishes fees for connecting to the water system; establishes water use fees that are now amended with water rate changes for all customers; provides for miscellaneous water customer service policies; sets forth minimum line sizes; repeals fees established by earlier resolutions; and sets an effective date.

The public hearing will be held **Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.** or as soon as can be heard, in the Council Chambers, Kuna City Hall, 751 W. 4th Street, Kuna, ID.

The public is invited to provide written or oral testimony for Council's consideration. Written testimony (letters) must be submitted to the Kuna City Clerk by **Thursday, January 2, 2020** at 5:00 p.m. to be included in the Council packets for review. Written testimony and documents may be dropped off at City Hall or mailed to P.O. Box 13, Kuna, ID 83634.

All persons wishing to testify must state their name and residential address. No person shall speak until recognized by the Mayor. A three (3) minute time limit will be placed on all testimonies.

Please do not contact anyone who would be involved in the decision-making process, which would include City Council Members, or the Mayor, as such private conversations would be considered ex parte (one sided) and could jeopardize the public hearing process.

If you have any questions or require special accommodation(s), please contact the Kuna City Clerk's Office before the meeting at (208) 922-5546.

Chris Engels
Kuna City Clerk

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**RESOLUTION NO. R01-2020
CITY OF KUNA, IDAHO**

WATER SYSTEM FEES AND POLICIES

A RESOLUTION AMENDING PORTIONS OF RESOLUTION R84-2017 THAT: SETS FORTH THE AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTING WATER CONNECTION FEES AND MONTHLY WATER SERVICE RATES; ESTABLISHES FEES FOR CONNECTING TO THE WATER SYSTEM; ESTABLISHES WATER USE FEES THAT ARE NOW AMENDED WITH WATER RATE CHANGES FOR ALL CUSTOMERS; PROVIDES FOR MISCELLANEOUS WATER CUSTOMER SERVICE POLICIES; SETS FORTH MINIMUM LINE SIZES; REPEALS FEES ESTABLISHED BY EARLIER RESOLUTIONS; AND SETS AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 7-5-5 of the Kuna City Code authorizes the City of Kuna, Idaho to set water connection fees by resolution of City Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 7-5-3 of the Kuna City Code authorizes the City of Kuna, Idaho to set monthly service rates for water use by resolution of City Council:

I. WATER CONNECTION FEES

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the charge(s) for connecting to the City Water System shall be determined as follows:

- A. Water Main Capacity Fee:** Each dwelling unit (single family residence, manufactured home, town home, condominium or apartment), or any other user based upon volume of demand compared to an equivalent dwelling unit (EDU), to be connected to the City potable water system, shall be assessed one thousand four hundred twenty-three dollars and zero cents (\$1,423.00) per EDU at or before the time of connection for the capital costs of providing oversized mains and trunk lines to convey potable water required by each connection.

- B. Water Supply Fee:** Each dwelling unit (single family residence, manufactured home, town home, condominium or apartment), or any other user based upon volume of demand compared to an (EDU), to be connected to the City potable water system requiring water for domestic use only shall be assessed one thousand and eighty-five dollars (\$1,085.00) per EDU at or before the time of connection for the capital costs of providing water supply required by each connection. In instances where a developer or property owner has prepaid this fee as a condition of developing, and the area to which the prepayment applies is specifically defined, then any further water supply fee for connection subsequent to passage of this act shall be waived.

- C. Industrial/Commercial Connection:** Each commercial or industrial facility to be connected to the publicly owned potable water works shall be assessed water main capacity fees and water supply fees, computed based on peak usage at full capacity and

prorated compared to an equivalent dwelling unit. The minimum fees charged any connection shall be one equivalent dwelling unit.

The peak usage shall be determined from the usage of the proposed facility at full capacity based on flows obtained from IDAPA 58.01.03.007.08 in the chart titled WASTEWATER FLOWS FROM VARIOUS ESTABLISHMENTS IN GALLONS PER DAY. For uses not specifically addressed in the aforementioned regulation, it shall be the responsibility of the City Engineer to equitably estimate peak usage at full capacity based on predictive equations, comparative usage, or historical usage as approved by the City Engineer. The minimum charge for non-irrigated property shall be the charge for one equivalent dwelling unit.

- D. Water Meter and Service Fees:** Each water connection shall be assessed charges for completing services and connections, when required, in accordance with the following schedule:

3/4"	Setter & Service	\$ 771.00/ea
1"	Setter & Service	\$1,143.00/ea
1-1/2"	Setter & Service	\$1,627.00/ea
2"	Setter & Service	\$2,033.00/ea
3" & larger	Meter & Service	Time & Material
3/4"	Meter Only	\$340.00/ea
1"	Meter Only	\$ 383.00/ea
1 1/2"	Meter Only	\$ 613.00/ea
2"	Meter Only	\$ 758.00/ea
1/2 Street Asphalt Patch		\$ 390.00
Full Street Asphalt Patch		\$ 612.00

- E. Previous Connections:** In instances where an improvement on a property has previously been connected to the water system and complied with the connection fee(s) in force at the time of connection, the above fees do not apply. If, however, the connection involves an increase in number of dwelling units or an increase in demand on the system, then the connection is subject to these fees for the amount of the increase only and prorated in comparison to the demand of an equivalent dwelling unit.

II. WATER USE FEES

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that fees for water usage and other charges shall be determined as follows:

- A. Customer Water Use Charges:**

- 1. Standard Water Use Fee** - Metered water usage for City of Kuna residents and original Danskin Well customers shall be billed at a base rate of seventeen dollars and sixty-one cents (\$17.61) for the first five thousand (5,000) gallons of usage in a monthly billing cycle, an additional one dollar and fifty-six cents (\$1.56) per

thousand gallons up to seven thousand (7,000) gallons, an additional two dollars and thirty-five cents (\$2.35) per thousand gallons up to ten thousand (10,000) gallons, and an additional three dollars and fifty-three cents (\$3.53) per thousand gallons over ten thousand (10,000) gallons. Metered water usage for City residents, where the head of house is over sixty-five (65) years of age, resides at the residence and has completed an application with the City, shall be billed at a rate thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13.75) for the first five thousand (5,000) gallons of usage in a monthly billing cycle, an additional one dollar and fifty-six cents (\$1.56) per thousand gallons up to seven thousand (7,000) gallons, an additional two dollars and thirty-five cents (\$2.35) per thousand gallons up to ten thousand (10,000) gallons, and an additional three dollars and fifty-three cents (\$3.53) per thousand gallons over ten thousand (10,000) gallons. Commercial metered water usage for users with ¾" service lines shall be billed at a base rate of seventeen dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$17.67) for the first one thousand (1,000) gallons and an additional three dollars and fifty-three cents (\$3.53) per one thousand (1,000) gallons after. Commercial metered water usage for users with 2" service lines shall be billed at a base rate of one hundred twenty-five dollars and eighty cents (\$125.80) for the first one thousand (1,000) gallons and an additional three dollars fifty-three cents per one thousand (1,000) gallons after.

2. **Excess Water Use Fee** - As mentioned under the Standard Water Use Fee, metered water usage beyond ten thousand (10,000) gallons shall be billed at three dollars and fifty-three cents (\$3.53) per one thousand (1,000) gallons.

3. **Irrigation Water Use Fee** –

- i. The irrigation season shall run from May 1 to October 31.
- ii. For City residential property (a single family residence located within the City Limits of Kuna) that has no access to pressure irrigation or gravity irrigation service because the service is not available in the area that the property is located, and where the usage is beyond ten thousand (10,000) gallons, but less than forty-five thousand (45,000) gallons, said residential property shall be billed as follows:

For the irrigation seasons 2014, 2015 and 2016, the rate shall be **seventy-five cents (\$0.75)** per one thousand (1,000) gallons.

For the irrigation seasons 2017 and 2018, the rate shall be **one dollar (\$1.00)** per thousand (1,000) gallons.

For the irrigation seasons 2019 and thereafter, the rate shall be the same as the Excess Water Use Fee.

- iii. For City Commercial property, City residential property that has access to the City pressurized irrigation system or gravity irrigation and elects not to connect to the system, or residential property that is without the city limits that has no

access to pressure irrigation or gravity irrigation service because the service is not available in the area that the property is located or has elected not to connect to either service, and where the usage is beyond ten thousand (10,000) gallons, but less than forty-five thousand (45,000) gallons, said property shall be billed as follows:

For the irrigation seasons 2014 and 2015, the rate shall be **one** dollar (**\$1.00**) per one thousand (1,000) gallons.

For the irrigation seasons 2016 and thereafter, the rate shall be the same rate as the City excess water use fee.

- iv. For City Enterprise Funds (except Water Fund) usage of City potable water shall be billed as follows:

For the irrigation seasons 2014 and thereafter, the rate shall be **fifty** cents (**\$0.50**) per one thousand (1,000) gallons.

- 4. **Bulk Water Charges** - All bulk sales shall be approved by the Water Superintendent or his designated representative prior to delivery, and be obtained from designated sources only. The rate for bulk sales shall be three dollars and fifty-three cents (\$3.53) per one thousand (1,000) gallons.

III. **NEW CONSTRUCTION**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in connection with new development, the assumed water main size is a minimum nominal diameter of eight (8) inches. When, in conformance with the needs of the City Water System, a larger line is requested of the developer than this minimum nominal diameter, and the larger line is beyond the developer's flow needs, the developer may be reimbursed in conformance with adopted City reimbursement policies.

IV. **OTHER CHARGES**

- A. **Connection Fees (Outside City Limits)** - Any customer outside the corporate limits of the City requesting water service, who is legally able to annex to the City, must do so to connect to the City Water System, thereafter to pay connection fees as any other resident. Any customer outside City corporate limits requesting water service, who is not legally able to annex, cannot connect without explicit Council approval, which approval is solely at the option of City Council.
- B. **Damage Repair Costs** - Damages to Water Department facilities by other utilities, excavators or others will be repaired by or at the direction of Water Department personnel. All direct and indirect costs incurred in the repair will be billed to the party causing the damage.

- C. **Short Notice Line Location Charges** - The City of Kuna, as required by law, participates in the Dig Line system. Forty-eight (48) hours notification is required prior to excavation by any party. Exceptions will be allowed for line locations during times of individual hazard or public emergency.

IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that water connection fees and all other charges, as presented in this resolution and as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, other than the Customer Water Use Fees, shall be in effect upon passage of this resolution, that Customer Water Use Fees shall be in effect beginning with the February 1, 2020 billing cycle, and that all fees that are in conflict with the new fees as established by earlier resolution(s) are hereby repealed.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL of the City of Kuna, this 7th day of January, 2020.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR of the City of Kuna, this 7th day of January, 2020.

Joe L. Stear, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chris Engels, City Clerk

**EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION R01-2020
CITY OF KUNA
WATER SYSTEM FEES
EFFECTIVE January 7, 2020**

Note: Customer Water Use Fees effective beginning with the February 1, 2020 billing cycle.

Residential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monthly Base Rate: \$17.67 (Usage up to 5,000 gallons) ○ 1st Tier (5,001-7,000 gals): \$1.56 per 1,000 gals ○ 2nd Tier (7,001-10,000 gals): \$2.35 per 1,000 gals ○ 3rd Tier (>10,000 gals): \$3.53 per 1,000 gals
Senior Residential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monthly Base Rate: \$13.75 (Usage up to 5,000 gallons) ○ 1st Tier (5,001-7,000 gals): \$1.56 per 1,000 gals ○ 2nd Tier (7,001-10,000 gals): \$2.35 per 1,000 gals ○ 3rd Tier (>10,000 gals): \$3.53 per 1,000 gals
¾” Commercial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monthly Base Rate: \$17.67 (Usage up to 1,000 gallons) ○ 1st Tier (>1,000 gals): \$3.53 per 1,000 gals
2” Commercial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monthly Base Rate: \$125.80 (Usage up to 1,000 gallons) ○ 1st Tier (>1,000 gals): \$3.53 per 1,000 gals