



For Immediate Release

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The City of Alvin continues to make improvements identified in the Comprehensive Plan, Utility Master Plan, and the corresponding Capital Improvement Program. The Utility Master Plan identified approximately \$92M in utility projects to be completed over a 20-year period (from 2015 to 2035). These improvements are necessary to replace aging infrastructure, improve efficiency, provide for future growth, and keep the City in compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulations.

In 2016, the City engaged Freese & Nichols Inc. to perform a water & wastewater rate study to develop a multi-year plan of rate increases that would provide sufficient revenue to implement the first 5 years (2016-2020) of capital improvements identified in the Utility Master Plan. The total projected cost for the first five years of water & wastewater projects is approximately \$42M, and include:

- Construction of a 54” Eastside Interceptor from Bypass 35 to the WWTP.
- Lift Station Expansions/Rehabilitations
- Hwy 35 Bypass Gravity Main
- Waterline Improvements, and
- Ground Storage Tank Replacements

On February 7, 2017, the City held a City Council workshop in which Freese and Nichols Inc. presented the results of a water and wastewater rate study. The study identified the need to increase water & wastewater rates to implement the first five years of improvements identified in the Utility Master plan.

On June 15, 2017, City Council approved Ordinance 17-J, adopting a 5-year schedule of water and wastewater rates, as recommended by Freese and Nichols Inc.

October 1, 2020 (FY21) began the 4th of the 5-year water & wastewater rate schedule. For FY 2020-21, a residential customer using 5,000 gallons of water and wastewater in a month will see an approximate \$4.46 increase in water and wastewater charges, taking the average monthly cost for the use of 5,000 gallons of water and wastewater from \$74.27 to \$78.73. Utility customers will see the FY 20-21 rates reflected in the first utility bill in November.

More information on the various improvements funded by water/wastewater revenue can be found in the 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan located under the Engineering Departmental tab at www.alvin-tx.gov.

The 5-year water and wastewater rates adopted through FY 2021-22 are as follows:

WATER RATES	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
Base up to 2,000 Gallons					
Residential	\$12.95	\$15.15	\$18.18	\$19.27	\$20.43
Commercial	\$13.59	\$15.90	\$19.09	\$20.23	\$21.44
Per 1,000 (2,001-7,000)	\$3.31	\$3.87	\$4.65	\$4.93	\$5.22
Per 1,000 (7,001-above)	\$5.05	\$5.91	\$7.09	\$7.52	\$7.97
WASTEWATER RATES	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
Base up to 2,000 Gallons					
Residential	\$20.08	\$23.49	\$28.19	\$29.88	\$31.68
Commercial	\$20.66	\$24.17	\$29.00	\$30.74	\$32.59
Per 1,000 (2,001-above)	\$3.31	\$3.87	\$4.65	\$4.93	\$5.22