

**ORDINANCE NO 1, 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF CEDARTOWN, GEORGIA**

**WHEREAS,** the City Commission wishes to make corrections to the schedule of fees regarding water and sewer service fees;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it ordained and it is hereby ordained and established as follows:

Appendix C, entitled “Schedule of Fees”, shall stand amended as to those provisions pertaining to Code Section 82 regarding water and sewer service fees by striking the current sections of the schedule and inserting the following:

**Section 82-6 (a)**

(1) Water Tap Fees

<b>Water Tap Size</b>	<b>Inside City Minimum</b>	<b>Additional Costs</b>	<b>Outside City Minimum</b>	<b>Additional Costs</b>
<b>¾ inch</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>	<b>\$1,750</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>
<b>1 inch</b>	<b>\$1,775</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>	<b>\$1,975</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>
<b>1.5 inch</b>	<b>\$1,900</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>	<b>\$2,100</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>
<b>2 inch</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>	<b>\$3,200</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>

- Additional costs may include contracted tapping costs for taps greater than 2 inches, or any additional costs due to exceptional circumstances.
- Applicants for taps assessed at cost, plus 100% basis shall pay the minimum base cost at the time of application with final costs to be billed when the tap has been installed and connected.
- Contractor installed water meters and fire lines must meet city specs and pay 50% of tap fee as administrative fee.

(2) Sewer Tap Fees

<b>Sewer Tap Size</b>	<b>Inside City Minimum</b>	<b>Additional Costs</b>	<b>Outside City Minimum</b>	<b>Additional Costs</b>
<b>4 inch</b>	<b>\$1,800</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>
<b>6 inch</b>	<b>\$3,600</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>	<b>\$3,800</b>	<b>Cost, plus 100%</b>

- Additional costs may be incurred for any of the following circumstances:  
Rock removal, DOT permit and special specifications, special orders, splitting, reducing, upsizing, extensions beyond normal, pressure test requirements, leak test requirements, special level determinations, wet tapping above 2", required meter vaults, additional valving requirements, developer's additional specifications, plus, any additional circumstance or requirement that adds additional tapping cost to the City.
- Tap fees for cost plus taps will be assessed at a non-refundable minimum rate upon application, with final costs being due and payable upon billing.
- Estimates for cost plus taps are approximate. Actual billing will reflect itemized actual cost, plus 100 percent.
- Type and size meter/service shall be at the discretion of the City Manager or Water Maintenance Superintendent.
- Sewer taps outside the city must have the approval of the City Commission at a special or regular meeting thereof before tap application can be approved or initiated.
- An annexation application is required if the property is located outside the corporate limits of Cedartown. Failure to annex into the city limits will result in termination of services.

**Section 82.23**

- (a) Utility delinquent fee for nonpayment of bill      \$25.00
- (b) Fees for restoration of utility service. After 5:00 p.m., an additional fee of \$40 will be charged.
- (c) Unauthorized use of water service                      \$50.00  
Theft of services by any means will result in criminal prosecution.  
The cost will be 100% for any necessary repairs.
- (d) Transfer fee (to be paid at time of transfer)      \$15.00
- (e) Temporary Service (property cleanup/landlord)  
Minimum bill or actual use, whichever is higher.  
9 days or less constitute a pro-rated bill.

**Section 82.38**

Water Deposit – All occupants

Owner	\$100.00
Lease/Rental	\$150.00 (includes a \$ 50.00 (non-refundable fee)

**Section 82.42**

Fire Hydrant Meter Deposit (Refundable upon return of meter)	\$1,200
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And to further amend Code Section 82.22 entitled "Billing; Delinquencies and Penalties"

by striking (c) (2) and inserting the following:

**Section 82.22**

(c) (2) The past due amount must be paid before the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month to avoid a delinquent payment fee and/or disconnection of service.

And to further amend Code Section 82.38 entitled “Meter Deposit by non-owner occupant” by striking the current section and inserting the following:

**Section 82.38 Water Deposit Requirement**

The city shall be required to collect a deposit from the occupants of any water unit, as defined in this article, prior to furnishing such premises with any water from the city water system. All deposits collected shall be accomplished pursuant to the deposit fee schedule in appendix C of this Code.

And to further add Code Section 82.42 to be entitled “Fire Hydrant Meter Deposits” by inserting the following:

**Section 82.42 Fire Hydrant Meter Deposit**

The city shall be required to collect a deposit for the use of any fire hydrant meters. The fire hydrant meter deposit will be refundable upon the return of the meter. All deposits collected shall be accomplished pursuant to the deposit fee schedule in appendix C of this Code.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the City Commission of the City of

Cedartown at a regularly scheduled meeting, duly called and held on the 2nd day of

June, 2014. Commissioners all voting “Aye” and none voting “No”.

BY:

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CITY OF CEDARTOWN

ATTEST:

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CITY OF CEDARTOWN