

CITY OF SURREY

BY-LAW NO. 15542

A by-law to amend the provisions of "Surrey Waterworks Regulation By-law, 1969, No. 2932" as amended.

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The Council of the City of Surrey, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. "Surrey Waterworks Regulation By-law, 1969, No. 2932" as amended is hereby further amended as follows:
  - (a) Schedule "B" is deleted in its entirety and new Schedule "B", attached hereto and forming a part of this by-law, is inserted in its place.
  - (b) Schedule "C", is deleted in its entirety and new Schedule "C", attached hereto and forming a part of this by-law, is inserted in its place.

2. This By-law shall be cited for all purposes as "Surrey Waterworks Regulation By-law, 1969, No. 2932, Amendment By-law, 2004, No. 15542".

PASSED THREE READINGS on the 15th day of November, 2004.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and sealed with the Corporate Seal on the 29th day of November, 2004.

\_\_\_\_\_MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_CLERK

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"SURREY WATERWORKS REGULATION BY-LAW, 1969, NO. 2932"

SCHEDULE "B"

# **FLAT RATE CHARGES - EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2005**

1. The following minimum flat rate charges for water services shall apply to all of the waterworks system and its existing connections within the City of Surrey owned and operated as a self-liquidating utility by the City of Surrey. Categories of charges are based on actual use of the property.
  - a. To every existing single dwelling unit, including those within an existing condominium; to every existing church; to every existing duplex house; to every existing commercial unit with a single dwelling unit attached thereto and having plumbing fixtures installed in the dwelling unit only:
 

Annual User Charge - if paid before April 2nd: \$267.00
  - b. To each additional dwelling unit located within the structure of a single family dwelling unit:
 

Annual User Charge - if paid before April 2nd: \$200.00
  - c. To all existing apartment houses, and townhouses for each dwelling unit contained therein:
 

Annual User Charge - if paid before April 2nd: \$214.00
  - d. To all existing commercial buildings containing two (2) or more commercial units, and where the

average monthly consumption or use of water does not exceed that of the same number of average single dwelling units, for each commercial unit contained therein:

Annual User Charge - if paid before April 2nd: \$267.00

2. The rates levied on a property do not in any way legalize the use of land and premises, which might be in breach of other City by-laws. In levying the rates, no determination of compliance with other City by-laws has been made and should the use of land and premises breach any of its by-laws now or in the future, the City reserves the right to enforce those by-laws in accordance with their conditions.
3. Annual user charges are subject to a 5% penalty if paid after the first annual due date of April 2<sup>nd</sup> and a further 5% penalty if paid after the second annual due date July 2<sup>nd</sup>. All utility charges including penalties if left unpaid on December 31 of the year will be considered taxes payable the following year.

"SURREY WATERWORKS REGULATION BY-LAW, 1969, NO. 2932"  
SCHEDULE "C"

**USER RATES FOR METER CONSUMPTION - EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2005**

1. All water meters shall be read and billed three times per calendar year on a periodic four-month basis.
2. All metered accounts shall be due and payable on the second (2) day of the month following the month in which the account is rendered and are subject to a penalty of ten percent (10%) if the amount for that period is paid after the due date.
3. The following domestic, commercial and industrial Meter Rates shall apply to water consumption within the City of Surrey from metered service connections to the waterworks system owned and operated by the City of Surrey:
  - a. The base charge per meter will be as follows:

16 to 19 mm	\$ 20.00 per four-month period;
25 mm	\$ 25.00 per four-month period;
38 mm	\$ 31.00 per four-month period;
50 mm	\$ 41.00 per four-month period;
75 mm	\$ 82.00 per four-month period;
100 mm	\$ 96.00 per four-month period;
150 mm	\$181.00 per four-month period;
200 mm	\$213.00 per four-month period;
  - b. The water consumption rate for all meter types will be \$ 0.40 per cubic meter.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that any metered connection serving premises, which, if it were not for the metered installation, would be rated in accordance with the provisions of Schedule "B" to this By-law, shall be subject to a minimum monthly charge equal to one twelfth (1/12) of the total annual charge payable under Schedule "B" for each such premises, and the minimum periodic billing charge shall be four (4) times the minimum monthly charge computed as hereinbefore provided.

4. Adjustment Due to Faulty Meter

Where a meter is found defective when read, and has not indicated correctly the volume of water which has passed through it, the provisions of Section 12(6) of this By-law shall apply, and the charges billed for that period or month shall be computed accordingly.

## 5. Undetected Leaks

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 12(5) of this By-law, where an underground leak is discovered in a consumer's waterworks system, and where the consumer could not reasonably have been expected to be aware of such leak, the City shall be entitled to charge for such water a rate which does not exceed the average of the rates billed for the preceding twelve (12) months plus a rate of 15 cents per 1,000 gallons for all water which, as recorded by the meter, has passed through the meter since the last previous reading thereof, and which is in excess of the average consumption or use over the preceding twelve (12) months and provided that repairs of the consumer's waterworks system have been carried out to the General Manager, Engineering's satisfaction within 96 hours of discovery of the leak.