CITY OF WELLS
WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE DEPARTMENT RATES AND REGULATIONS

(Effective 12/1/2017; Revised 10/1/2026)

It is the City of Wells's ongoing policy to provide service in a fair, equitable, and courteous manner to all customers of the water and sewer system. The City of Wells further agrees that it will faithfully and punctually perform all duties regarding the system required by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas, including the making and collecting reasonable and sufficient rates for water and sewer services supplied by the system. The City also agrees that no free services shall be rendered by the system to any customer, except for buildings, institutions, and the City's operation.

Failure to receive a bill will not waive any late fees or disconnection penalties.
All active accounts will receive a base rate bill and trash bill each month until the account is closed.

GARBAGE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS RATES (Effective 10/1/2026

RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE (Inside the City Limits)	$19.69 + $1.53 tax = $21.22
(Apartment tenants are exempt from this charge)	
(Outside City Limits Trash Pick-up Contact City Hall)	
ADDITIONAL CARTS	$2.00 + $.15 = $2.15
COMMERCIAL RATES	Rate Sheet Available

WATER RATES – (Rate increase 10/1/2025)

BASE RATE WATER – ACTIVE SERVICE	$45.86

SEWER RATES – (No rate increase 9/1/2025)

BASE RATE SEWER – ACTIVE SERVICE	$24.44

ALL USAGE AFTER THE BASE RATE FOR BOTH WATER & SEWER:

1 – 2,000 GALLONS	$3.50 per thousand gallons
2,001 – 4,000 GALLONS	$4.00 per thousand gallons
4,001 – 6,000 GALLONS	$4.50 per thousand gallons
6,001 – 10,000 GALLONS	$5.00 per thousand gallons
10,001 – 50,000 GALLONS	$5.50 per thousand gallons
ALL OVER 50,000 GALLONS	$6.00 per thousand gallons

FOR ALL CUSTOMERS LIVING OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF WELLS, THE BASE RATE WILL BE:

WATER RATE + 1/2: $45.86 + $22.93= $68.79	SEWER RATE + 1/2: $24.44 + $12.22 = $36.66

ALL USAGE AFTER THE BASE RATE WILL BE CALCULATED USING THE CHARTS LISTED ABOVE.

NOTE: BASE RATE CUSTOMERS WILL ONLY PAY A WATER RATE UNLESS THERE IS USAGE ON THE MONTHLY METER READING; THEN, SEWER RATES WILL BE APPLIED.

COMMERCIAL RATES (INSIDE & OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS)

A commercial and industrial **water** customer within the corporate limits of the City of Wells shall pay for monthly services at the base rate determined by meter size based on meter size:

5/8 x ¾" meter base rate of $45.86; ¾" meter base rate of $55.86; 1" & above will pay a base rate of $65.86.
ALL USAGE AFTER THE BASE RATE:

A commercial and industrial **sewer** customer within the corporate limits of the City of Wells shall pay for monthly services at the base rate determined by meter size based on meter size:

5/8 x ¾" meter base rate of $24.44; ¾" meter base rate of $34.44; 1" & above will pay a base rate of $44.44.

ALL USAGE AFTER THE BASE RATE ON BOTH WATER AND SEWER:

1 – 2,000 GALLONS	$3.50 per thousand gallons
2,001 – 4,000 GALLONS	$4.00 per thousand gallons
4,001 – 6,000 GALLONS	$4.50 per thousand gallons
6,001 – 10,000 GALLONS	$5.00 per thousand gallons
10,001 – 50,000 GALLONS	$5.50 per thousand gallons
ALL OVER 50,000 GALLONS	$6.00 per thousand gallons

A commercial and industrial **water** customer **outside** the corporate limits of the City of Wells shall pay for monthly services at the base rate determined by meter size + 1/2 based on meter size:

5/8 x ¾" will pay a base rate of $45.86 + 1/2 = $68.79; 3/4" will pay a base rate of $55.86 + 1/2 = $83.79; 1" & above will pay a base rate of $65.86 + 1/2 = $98.79.

ALL USAGE AFTER THE BASE RATE WILL BE CALCULATED USING THE CHARTS LISTED ABOVE.

A commercial and industrial **sewer** customer **outside** the corporate limits of the City of Wells shall pay for monthly services at the base rate determined by meter size + 1/2 based on meter size:

5/8 x ¾" will pay a base rate of $24.44 + 1/2 = $36.66; 3/4" will pay a base rate of $34.44 + 1/2 = $51.66; 1" & above will pay a base rate of $44.44 + 1/2 = $66.66.

ALL USAGE AFTER THE BASE RATE WILL BE CALCULATED USING THE CHARTS LISTED ABOVE.

Customers that use their water for livestock, gardens, or other vegetation will be charged a flat rate for sewer equivalent to a 2,000-gallon usage or an average usage, whichever is greater. Report this to the city hall to receive this adjustment. Reported usage will start from the day reported and will not be retroactive.

TAPPING FEES

This tap charge will not include any additional pipe needed to run the service to the home if the main utility is farther from the property line. The City's responsibility ends at the tap and or meter.

Charges will be made by the operator. If the mainlines are located on the opposite side of the road of your property, road boars will be needed at a charge in addition to the tap charges, any material used that is not standard will be charged to the customer. **(REVISED 11/13/2017)**

¾" WATER METER TAP	$800.00	4" SEWER TAP	$800.00
2" WATER METER TAP	$1,600.00	6" SEWER TAP	$1,800.00

ROAD BORE CHARGE PER TAP - $1,800.00 EACH BOAR THAT IS NEEDED (Increased 9/1/2026)
THE NUMBER OF BORES IS BASED ON WATER/SEWER LINES. THESE LINES CAN NOT BE IN THE SAME CASING.

METER RE-INSTALLATION $150.00 (CHARGE COVERS METER & REQUIRED CUSTOMER SHUT-OFF VALVE)

CUSTOMER SHUT-OFF VALVE INSTALLATION/REPAIR - $50.00

SECURITY DEPOSITS

RENTERS	$200.00	(DO NOT OWN PROPERTY)
HOMEOWNER	$150.00	(OWNS PROPERTY)
CHURCHES	$150.00	
COMMERCIAL	$200.00	

ADDITIONAL FEES

NON-PAYMENT FEE	$100.00	ADDED TO ALL UNPAID AFTER THE 25TH DATE
PARTIAL PAYMENT FEE	$50.00	ADDED TO ANY BILLS NOT PAID IN FULL BY THE 25TH DATE
TRASH CARTS LEFT IN ROW	$10.00	PER CART EVERY WEEK IT IS LEFT IN THE ROW