Prepared by: Utilities & Finance Departments & City Clerk's Office

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-30

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES, ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL, ARTICLE II, WATER, ARTICLE III, SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL, ARTICLE IV, RECLAIMED WATER SYSTEM, BY MODIFYING UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES, DEFINING MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES AND THE CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL MANUAL; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, it is well known that the water and wastewater infrastructure of the United States requires major investment to sustain the economic vitality and life styles to which citizens have become accustomed; and

WHEREAS, it is important to implement an effective capital improvement program, including a renewal and replacement component, in order to effectively and proactively sustain current water, wastewater, and reclaimed water infrastructure as well as better accommodate the impacts of such things as wear and tear, regulations, and new customers upon these systems; and

WHEREAS, analysis has determined the current schedule of rates, fees, and charges may be modified to more accurately recover the costs associated with the provision of water, wastewater, and reclaimed water services; and

WHEREAS, city council finds that the proposed schedule of fees and charges is reasonable and fair to fund the department's costs involved in the provision of water, wastewater, and reclaimed water services; and

WHEREAS, the commitment of a group of city residents, known as the Utility Rate Study Stakeholder's Work Group representing a variety of utility system customer categories, who participated with city staff and consultants to engage in a study of the utility's financial plan and schedule of rates, were instrumental in the successful accomplishment of these endeavors; and

WHEREAS, analysis has determined a more fair and equitable distribution of rates, fees, and charges amongst all utility customer categories; and

WHEREAS, the City of Venice Utilities Department is required by the Safe Drinking Water Act and Florida Administrative Code Section 62.555 to update the Cross-Connection Control Manual as needed when regulations change, and technology improves; and

WHEREAS, the July 2018 revised Cross Connection Control Manual, attached hereto as Exhibit A, meets the intent of Sections 62-555.360(1) and 62-555.200 of the Florida Administrative Code and American Water Works Association Manual M14; and

WHEREAS, the Sarasota Department of Health, Environmental Health Services, Public Water Section has approved the July 2018 Cross Connection Control Manual.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, as follows:

SECTION 1. The whereas clauses above are ratified and confirmed as true and correct.

SECTION 2. Chapter 74, Utilities, Article I, In General, is amended as follows:

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 74-1. No change.

Sec. 74-2. Definitions.

<u>The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings</u> ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

<u>Approval authority means the state director in an NPDES state with an approved state</u> pretreatment program and the administrator of the USEPA in a non-NPDES state or NPDES state without an approved state pretreatment program.

<u>Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) means the quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical</u> oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five days at 20 degrees Celsius, expressed in terms of weight and concentration (milligrams per liter (mg/l)).

Building sewer means the extension from the building drain at a point five feet outside of the outer building wall to the public sewer or other place of disposal, the building drain being the lowest horizontal piping of a building's interior drainage, which receives wastewater from the building's interior and conveys it outside the building wall.

<u>Consumption charge means the charge this is placed on a utility bill for the actual amount of water</u> and sewer that is consumed (per 1,000 gallons).

<u>Cooling water means the water discharged from any use such as air conditioning, cooling or</u> refrigeration, or to which the only pollutant added is heat.

<u>Cross connection means any physical connection or arrangement which would allow the movement</u> of fluids between the potable water system and any other piping system, such as the reclaimed water system.

Customer means the actual user of the water, wastewater or reclaimed water.

Department means the city utilities department.

<u>Director and Director of Public Utilities mean the director of the city utility system, who is in</u> responsible charge of the city's water, reclaimed water and wastewater systems, or his authorized deputy, agent or representative, as well as responsible for the operational activities of the department.

<u>Domestic wastewater</u> means sewage produced from noncommercial or nonindustrial activities and resulting from normal human living processes, substantially similar in origin and strength to that The City of Venice Code of Ordinances is amended as follows with strike through text identifying deletions and

underlined text indicating additional language.

typically produced in households, including discharges from baths, laundries, sinks, garbage disposals and sanitary conveniences.

<u>EPA and USEPA mean the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or where appropriate the term</u> may also be used as a designation for the administrator or other duly authorized official of such agency.

FDEP means the state department of environmental protection and its duly authorized officials.

<u>Holding tank waste means any waste from holding tanks such as vessels, chemical toilets, campers,</u> <u>trailers, septic tanks and vacuum-pump tank trucks.</u>

Human excreta means the bowel and kidney discharges of human beings.

<u>Hydrant Meter means the temporary meter that is placed on a fire hydrant to be used as a</u> <u>temporary water service.</u>

Industrial user means a source of wastewater and wastes, excluding domestic wastewater and including wastewater from producing, manufacturing, processing, industrial, commercial, agricultural and other operations from which the discharge includes waste of nonhuman origin not otherwise classified as domestic wastewater.

Interference means the inhibition or disruption of the wastewater system treatment processes or operations or that, which contributes to a violation of any requirement of the city's NPDES permit. The term includes prevention of sewage sludge use or disposal by the wastewater system in accordance with section 405 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1345) or any criteria, guidelines or regulations developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act (SWDA), the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act or more stringent state criteria (including those contained in any state sludge management plan prepared pursuant to title IV of SWDA) applicable to the method of disposal or use employed by the city wastewater system.

<u>National Categorical Pretreatment Standard and pretreatment standard mean any regulation</u> containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the USEPA in accordance with section 307(b) and (c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1347) which applies to a specific category of industrial users.

<u>National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit means a permit issued pursuant to</u> section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1342).

<u>Natural outlet means any outlet into a watercourse, pond, ditch, lake or other body of surface</u> water or groundwater.

pH means the logarithm (base 10) of the reciprocal of the concentration of hydrogen ions expressed in grams per liter of solution, which expresses the degree of acidity or alkalinity.

Pollutant means any dredged spoil waste, incinerator residue, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials, heat, wrecked or discharged equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt and industrial, municipal and agricultural waste discharged into water, or any material capable of altering the integrity of water.

<u>Pretreatment and treatment mean the reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants, or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater to a less harmful state prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into the wastewater system. The reduction or alteration can be obtained by physical, chemical or biological processes, or by process changes or other means, except as prohibited by 40 CFR 403.6(d).</u>

<u>Readiness for service charge means the service charge (based on the demand availability determined by meter size) that is designed to collect revenues to cover operating and maintenance expenses.</u>

<u>Reclaimed water means water that has received at least advanced secondary treatment and is</u> reused after flowing out of a wastewater treatment facility.

<u>Reuse means the deliberate application of reclaimed water, in compliance with state department of</u> <u>environmental protection and water management district rules, for a beneficial purpose.</u>

<u>Sanitary water closet means any flush toilet, which is properly connected with a city sanitary sewer</u> or a septic tank of approved construction.

<u>Septic tank means an underground cavity with watertight walls into which flows the effluent of</u> sanitary water closets and from which the effluent does not come to the surface of the ground.

Service line means that conduit for potable or reclaimed water from the distribution main to the property line.

<u>Stormwater means any flow occurring during or following any form of natural precipitation and</u> resulting therefrom. A storm sewer is a sewer which carries stormwater and other drainage.

<u>Suspended solids (SS) means the total suspended matter that floats on the surface of or is</u> suspended in water, wastewater or other liquids, and which is removable by laboratory filtering.

<u>Toxic pollutant means any pollutant or combination of pollutants listed as toxic in regulations</u> promulgated by the administrator of the USEPA under the provisions of section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or other acts.

<u>Trunk mains mean those conduits used to supply reclaimed water from the pumping station or</u> <u>treatment plant to the distribution mains.</u>

<u>User means any person who contributes, causes or permits the contribution of wastewater into the city's wastewater system.</u>

<u>Wastewater and sewage mean the liquid and water-carried industrial or domestic wastes from</u> <u>dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities and institutions, together with any groundwater,</u> <u>surface water and stormwater that may be present, whether treated or untreated, which is contributed</u> <u>or permitted to enter the city wastewater system.</u>

<u>Wastewater system means the complete municipal system, including sanitary sewers, lateral sewer</u> lines and other sewer facilities constructed or acquired by the city, including such purification and treatment facilities and works as may be provided during the course of sewage disposal, together with all improvements, extensions and additions to the sewer system, or any part thereof, and shall include all property, real and personal, tangible and intangible, owned or used in connection with the sewer system. For purposes of this chapter, this includes any sewers which convey wastewater from persons outside the city by agreement.

<u>Wastewater treatment plant means that portion of the wastewater system designed to provide</u> <u>treatment to wastewater.</u>

Sec. 74-2. through 74-3. No change except numbering.

Sec. 74-45. Potable water, irrigation water, reclaimed water and wastewater tap fees.

(a) A nonrefundable tap fee shall be paid to the city prior to connection to the city water, wastewater or reclaimed water lines. The tap fee shall be as reflected in Table A.

	Potable, Irrigation and Reclaimed Water Short Service								
Meter Size (inches)	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017		
5/8 × ¾	\$416.64	\$429.13	\$442.01	\$455.27	\$468.93	\$482.99	\$497.48		
1	\$573.64	\$590.85	\$608.57	\$626.83	\$645.63	\$665.00	\$684.95		
1 1/2	\$933.57	\$961.58	\$990.43	\$ 1,020.1 4	\$ 1,050.74	\$ 1,082.27	\$1,114.73		
2	\$1,119.16	\$1,152.73	\$ 1,187.31	\$1,222.93	\$1,259.62	\$1,297.41	\$1,336.33		
3 and larger									
	1	Potable, Irr	igation and Re	eclaimed Wate	er Long Servic	e			
Meter Size (inches)	04/01/2011	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017		
5/8 × ¾	\$697.37	\$718.29	\$739.84	\$762.04	\$784.90	\$808.45	\$832.70		
1	\$866.09	\$892.07	\$918.83	\$946.40	\$974.79	\$1,004.03	\$1,034.15		
1 1/2	\$1,237.27	\$1,274.38	\$1,312.62	\$1,351.99	\$1,392.55	\$1,434.33	\$1,477.36		
2	\$1,405.98	\$1,448.16	\$1,491.61	\$1,536.35	\$1,582.44	\$1,629.92	\$1,678.81		
3 and larger									
	Other								

TABLE A

Hydrant Meter	\$112.48	\$115.85	\$119.33	\$122.91	\$126.59	\$130.39	\$134.30
	\$65.48	\$67.44	\$69.46	\$71.55	\$73.70	\$75.91	\$78.18
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	Potable, I	rrigation and Recl	aimed Water Sho	rt Service				
<u>Meter Size</u> <u>(inches)</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>			
<u>5/8 × ¾</u>	<u>\$497.48</u>	<u>\$508.18</u>	<u>\$519.10</u>	<u>\$530.26</u>	<u>\$541.66</u>			
<u>1</u>	<u>\$684.95</u>	<u>\$699.68</u>	<u>\$714.72</u>	<u>\$730.09</u>	<u>\$745.78</u>			
<u>1 ½</u>	<u>\$1,114.73</u>	<u>\$1,138.70</u>	<u>\$1,163.18</u>	<u>\$1,188.19</u>	<u>\$1,213.73</u>			
<u>2</u>	<u>\$1,336.33</u>	<u>\$1,365.06</u>	<u>\$1,394.41</u>	<u>\$1,424.39</u>	<u>\$1,455.01</u>			
<u>3 and larger</u>	<u>A written estima</u>	A written estimate of costs will be provided by the utilities department, which is to be paid in advance.						
	<u>Potable, I</u>	rrigation and Rec	laimed Water Lon	ig Service				
<u>Meter Size</u> <u>(inches)</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>			
<u>5/8 × ¾</u>	<u>\$832.70</u>	<u>\$850.60</u>	<u>\$868.89</u>	<u>\$887.57</u>	<u>\$906.65</u>			
<u>1</u>	<u>\$1,034.15</u>	<u>\$1,056.38</u>	<u>\$1,079.10</u>	<u>\$1,102.30</u>	<u>\$1,126.00</u>			
<u>1 ½</u>	<u>\$1,477.36</u>	<u>\$1,509.12</u>	<u>\$1,541.57</u>	<u>\$1,574.71</u>	<u>\$1,608.57</u>			
<u>2</u>	<u>\$1,678.81</u>	<u>\$1,714.90</u>	<u>\$1,751.77</u>	<u>\$1,789.44</u>	<u>\$1,827.91</u>			
<u>3 and larger</u>	<u>A written estima</u>	te of costs will be	provided by the upaid in advance.	itilities departmer	nt, which is to be			
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	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>			
Hydrant Meter	<u>\$134.30</u>	<u>\$137.19</u>	<u>\$140.14</u>	<u>\$143.15</u>	<u>\$146.23</u>			
	<u>\$78.18*</u>	<u>\$79.86*</u>	<u>\$81.58*</u>	<u>\$83.33*</u>	<u>\$85.12*</u>			
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TABLE A

(b) Potable water, irrigation water, and reclaimed water service tap fees are designated by a short service or long service tap. Generally, a short service is one where the service location is on the same side of the street as the water main to be tapped in order to provide the service, and a long service is where the water main is not on the same side of the street. It is recognized that site conditions may vary, and may include accessibility, constructability, labor or material requirements, or other conditions that may pose tap construction challenges in excess of those incurred for typical short services. The utilities department makes this determination based upon actual site conditions.

Secs. 74-5 through 74-6. No change except numbering.

Sec. 74-78. Discontinuance of water service at customer's request.

Applications for water service and all notices to discontinue water service must be made in writing to the city finance department. The city shall have three days from the date the discontinuance notice is received to read the meter and turn off the service. The customer shall be responsible for all water consumed as shown by the meter until the final reading. Readiness for service charges will continue to be assessed on the utility account until such time as the property ownership changes by legal instrument or tenant occupancy is terminated at which time the readiness for service charges revert back to the owner. When the customer shall request discontinuance of service, the meter shall be read and a bill rendered as for a full month. Readiness for service charges will continue to be assessed on the utility account until such time as the property ownership changes by legal and a bill rendered as for a full month. Readiness for service charges will continue to be assessed on the utility account until such time as property ownership changes by legal instrument or tenant occupancy is terminated. Applications for water service and all notices to discontinue water service must be made in writing to the city finance department. The city shall have three days from the date of discontinuance notice is received to read the meter.

Sec. 74-89. Discontinuance or reinstatement of service.

- (a) After termination for cause. Where service has been discontinued for cause, the customer shall be assessed a charge of \$70.00 for discontinuance and reinstatement of service during regular working hours and \$162.00 for discontinuance and reinstatement of service after regular working hours, together with all unpaid past due accounts for service, penalties and expenses related to the collection of such accounts, including reasonable attorney's fees.
- (b) Tenant termination for cause. Upon discontinuance of service of a tenant for cause the account shall revert to the property owner effective on the date of termination. The meter shall be read and a bill rendered for which the tenant security deposit shall be applied. All new charges, fees and penalties will be the responsibility of the property owner.
- (c) Temporary seasonal/vacation discontinuance. Each customer shall be entitled to one turn-off and one turn-on per calendar year <u>without charge</u>. Requests for turn-off and turn-on must be made to the city in writing at least three days in advance. All additional turn-off and turn-on requests made during normal business hours shall be subject to a \$35.00 fee for each and a fee of \$162.00 shall be assessed for service requested after normal business hours.
- (d) Temporary reinstatement and discontinuance. A charge of \$70.00 shall be paid prior to the temporary reinstatement of service and subsequent timely discontinuance of service for the purpose of conducting or performing short-duration events or services to otherwise unoccupied service locations. Examples include inspections, repairs, or other activities meeting the intent of this section as approved by the city.

(e) *Emergency repairs.* No charge will be levied for discontinuance and reinstatement of service necessary to conduct emergency repairs to the customer's plumbing.

Sec. 74-910. Deposits.

(a) Required; amount. Before rendering service, the city shall require from the customer a deposit to secure payment of bills. The amount of such deposit for residential customers shall be according to the following Table B, or such larger amount as the finance director determines is necessary to provide adequate security considering individual circumstances. Such deposits may be held by the city until final settlement of the customer's account. The city may require an additional deposit from a customer, based on the customer's payment record. The deposit for commercial customers shall be three times the average monthly bill, and may initially be estimated based upon prior bills at the same location.

Meter Size (inches)	Residential Customer
5/8 × ¾	\$125.00
1	\$315.00
1½	\$625.00
2	\$1,000.00
3	\$2,000.00
4	\$2,500.00
6	\$3,125.00
8	\$10,000.00
Fire Hydrant	\$800.00

TABLE B For Residential Only

- (b) *Alternative deposits.* The following alternatives to the standard deposits described in the preceding section are also available:
 - (1) A letter of good credit standing from a comparable utility company with which the customer has previously received service. The letter must cover a credit history no older than one year

from the initiation date of service with the city, must show timeliness of payments over the no less than a 12-month continuous period of time, and must be in reference to the same person initiating utility service with the city.

- (2) An irrevocable letter of credit.
- (3) A surety bond.
- (c) Refunds. After a customer whose property is situated within the city limits has established a satisfactory record and has had continuous service for a period of not less than 12 months, city will credit the deposit to the customer's account, provided the customer has not in the preceding six twelve months:
 - (1) Paid with a check refused by a bank;
 - (2) Been disconnected for nonpayment;
 - (3) Tampered with the water meter; or
 - (4) Used service in a fraudulent or unauthorized manner-; or
 - (5) Been assessed a penalty due to a delinquent amount.

Guaranty deposit refunds to eligible customers will be made at the next billing cycle after qualification. The deposit shall be credited to the customer's account, unless a direct refund is requested by the customer and received in writing at least 30 days prior to the due date of the deposit credit.

No deposits shall be directly refunded once they have been applied to the account.

Sec. 74-1011. Water, sewer and reclaimed water rates.

- (a) *Schedule of charges.* There is hereby established the following schedule of charges for the use, or reasonable availability for use, of the services of the city water and wastewater system. The monthly readiness for service charge is for the reasonable availability for the use of the system and shall be due regardless of whether the system is actually used <u>and/or property is occupied.</u>
 - (1) Water service.
 - a. Monthly readiness for service charge.

TABLE C

Residential	04/01/201 2	10/01/201 2	10/01/201 3	10/01/201 4	10/01/201 5	10/01/201 6	10/01/201 7
Single family residential	\$16.7 4	\$ 17.2 4	\$ <u>18.9</u> 4	\$ 19.51	\$20.10	\$20.70	\$21.32
Condominium S, manufactured	\$ 16.7 4	\$ 17.2 4	\$14.66	\$ 15.10	\$ 15.55	\$ 16.02	\$ 16.50

				1			
homes, and							
mobile homes							
(charge per							
unit, on 5/8 ×							
¾ inch or							
greater meter)							
Master-							
metered							
multifamily,							
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including							
apartments							
and any other							
master-	\$14.35	\$14.78	\$15.74	\$16.21	\$16.70	\$17.20	\$17.71
metered							
residential							
accounts							
(charge per							
unit, on 5/8 ×							
¾ inch or							
greater meter)							
Nonresidential							
and all							
irrigation							
meters							
Meter size							
(inches)							
5/8 × ¾	\$16.74	\$17.24	\$18.94	\$19.51	\$20.10	\$20.70	\$21.32
1	\$41.85	\$4 <u>3.11</u>	\$47.35	\$48.77	\$50.24	\$ 51.75	\$53.30
1½	\$83.70	\$86.21	\$94.71	\$ 97.55	\$100.48	\$103.49	\$106.60
2	\$133.92	\$137.9 4	\$151.53	\$156.08	\$160.76	\$165.58	\$170.55
3	\$267.8 4	\$ 275.88	\$ 303.07	\$312.16	\$ <u>321.52</u>	\$ 331.17	\$341.10

4	\$418.50	\$431.06	\$473.54	\$487.75	\$502.38	\$517.45	\$532.98
6	\$837.00	\$862.11	\$947.09	\$975.50	\$1,004.76	\$1,034.91	\$1,065.95
8	\$ 1,339.20	\$ 1,379.38	\$ 1,515.3 4	\$1,560.80	\$ 1,607.62	\$ 1,655.85	\$1,705.52
Hospital	\$4,720.68	\$4,862.30	\$5,341.56	\$5,501.81	\$5,666.86	\$5,836.87	\$ 6,011.97

TABLE C

<u>Residential</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
<u>Single-family</u> <u>residential</u>	<u>\$21.32</u>	<u>\$21.78</u>	<u>\$22.25</u>	<u>\$22.72</u>	<u>\$23.21</u>
Condominiums, manufactured homes, and mobile homes (charge per unit, on 5/8 × ¾ inch or greater meter)	<u>\$16.50</u>	<u>\$16.85</u>	<u>\$17.22</u>	<u>\$17.59</u>	<u>\$17.97</u>
Master-metered multifamily, including apartments and any other master- metered residential accounts (charge per unit, on 5/8 × ¾ inch or greater meter)	<u>\$17.71</u>	<u>\$18.09</u>	<u>\$18.48</u>	<u>\$18.88</u>	<u>\$19.28</u>
<u>Nonresidential</u> and all irrigation <u>meters</u> <u>Meter size</u> <u>(inches)</u>					
<u>5/8 × ¾</u>	<u>\$21.32</u>	<u>\$21.78</u>	<u>\$22.25</u>	<u>\$22.72</u>	<u>\$23.21</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>\$53.30</u>	<u>\$54.45</u>	<u>\$55.62</u>	<u>\$56.81</u>	<u>\$58.03</u>
<u>1 ½</u>	<u>\$106.60</u>	<u>\$108.89</u>	<u>\$111.23</u>	<u>\$113.62</u>	<u>\$116.07</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>\$170.55</u>	<u>\$174.22</u>	<u>\$177.96</u>	<u>\$181.79</u>	<u>\$185.70</u>

3	<u>\$341.10</u>	<u>\$348.43</u>	<u>\$355.92</u>	<u>\$363.58</u>	<u>\$371.39</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>\$532.98</u>	<u>\$544.44</u>	<u>\$556.14</u>	<u>\$568.10</u>	<u>\$580.32</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>\$1,065.95</u>	<u>\$1,088.87</u>	<u>\$1,112.28</u>	<u>\$1,136.19</u>	<u>\$1,160.62</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>\$1,705.52</u>	<u>\$1,742.19</u>	<u>\$1,779.65</u>	<u>\$1,817.91</u>	<u>\$1,856.99</u>
<u>Hospital</u>	<u>\$6,011.97</u>	<u>\$6,141.23</u>	<u>\$6,273.26</u>	<u>\$6,408.14</u>	<u>\$6,545.91</u>

b. Monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons), residential potable water.

TABLE D

Usage (gallons)	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
0 to 2,000	\$3.93	\$4.05	\$4.10	\$4.22	\$4.35	\$4.48	\$4.61
2,001 to 5,000	\$6.04	\$6.22	\$6.31	\$6.50	\$6.70	\$6.90	\$7.11
5,001 to 10,000	\$7.55	\$7.78	\$7.89	\$8.13	\$8.37	\$8.62	\$8.88
<u>> 10,000</u>	\$9.44	\$9.72	\$9.86	\$10.15	\$10.46	\$10.77	\$11.09

TABLE D

<u>Usage (gallons)</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	10/01/2022
<u>0 to 2,000</u>	<u>\$4.61</u>	<u>\$4.71</u>	<u>\$4.81</u>	<u>\$4.91</u>	<u>\$5.02</u>
<u>2,001 to 5,000</u>	<u>\$7.11</u>	<u>\$7.26</u>	<u>\$7.42</u>	<u>\$7.58</u>	<u>\$7.74</u>
<u>5,001 to 10,000</u>	<u>\$8.88</u>	<u>\$9.07</u>	<u>\$9.27</u>	<u>\$9.47</u>	<u>\$9.67</u>
<u>> 10,000</u>	<u>\$11.09</u>	<u>\$11.33</u>	<u>\$11.57</u>	<u>\$11.82</u>	<u>\$12.07</u>

c. Monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons), for nonresidential potable water.

Usage (gallons)	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	\$5.23	\$5.39	\$5.46	\$5.62	\$5.79	\$5.97	\$6.1 4

TABLE E

<u>Usage (gallons)</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u> <u>10/01/2020</u>		<u>10/01/2022</u>
All	<u>\$6.14</u>	<u>\$6.27</u>	<u>\$6.41</u>	<u>\$6.54</u>	<u>\$6.69</u>

d. Monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons), for all irrigation water.

TABLE F

All Customers	First Block		Second Block		Third	Block
Meter Size (inches)	Usage Range (gallons)		Usage Range (gallons)		Usage Range (gallons)	
5/8 × ¾	0—5,	,000	5,001—	-10,000	over 10,000	
1	0—13,000		13,001—25,000		over 25,000	
1½	0—25	5,000	25,001—50,000		over 50,000	
2	0—40,000		40,001—80,000		over 80,000	
3	0—80,000		80,001—160,000		over 160,000	
4	0—12	5,000	125,001-	-250,000	over 250,000	
6	0—25	0,000	250,001—500,000		over 500,000	
8	0—40	0,000	400,001—800,000		over 800,000	
Rate per 1,000 gallons	\$6.04		\$ 7 .	.55	\$9	.04
Rate per 1,000 gallons	First Block	<u>10/01/2018</u> <u>\$6.04</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u> <u>\$6.17</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u> <u>\$6.30</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u> <u>\$6.44</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u> <u>\$6.58</u>

Second Block	10/01/2018	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
	<u>\$7.55</u>	<u>\$7.71</u>	<u>\$7.88</u>	<u>\$8.05</u>	<u>\$8.22</u>
Third Block	10/01/2018	10/01/2019	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
	<u>\$9.04</u>	<u>\$9.23</u>	<u>\$9.43</u>	<u>\$9.64</u>	<u>\$9.84</u>

e. Wholesale water monthly readiness for service charge.

TABLE G

All	04/01/201 2	10/01/201 2	10/01/201 3	10/01/201 4	10/01/201 5	10/01/201	10/01/201 7		
Customers	±	±		4		6	+		
Meter Size									
(inches)									
5/8 × ¾	N/A	N/A	\$13.2 4	\$13.6 4	\$14.05	\$14.47	\$14.90		
1	N/A	N/A	\$33.10	\$34.09	\$35.12	\$36.17	\$37.25		
1½	N/A	N/A	\$66.21	\$68.20	\$70.24	\$72.35	\$74.52		
2	N/A	N/A	\$105.94	\$109.12	\$112.39	\$115.76	\$119.24		
3	N/A	N/A	\$211.88	\$218.2 4	\$224.78	\$231.53	\$238.47		
4	N/A	N/A	\$331.05	\$340.98	\$351.21	\$361.75	\$372.60		
6	N/A	N/A	\$662.12	\$681.98	\$702.44	\$723.52	\$745.22		
8	N/A	N/A	\$1,059.38	\$1,091.16	\$1,123.90	\$1,157.61	\$1,192.3 4		
Greater than 8	Determined by the city on a case-by-case basis								

TABLE G

<u>All Customers</u> <u>Meter Size</u> <u>(inches)</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>				
<u>5/8 × ¾</u>	<u>\$14.90</u>	<u>\$15.22</u>	<u>\$15.55</u>	<u>\$15.88</u>	<u>\$16.22</u>				
<u>1</u>	<u>\$37.25</u>	<u>\$38.05</u>	<u>\$38.87</u>	<u>\$39.70</u>	<u>\$40.56</u>				
<u>1 ½</u>	<u>\$74.52</u>	<u>\$76.12</u>	<u>\$77.76</u>	<u>\$79.43</u>	<u>\$81.14</u>				
<u>2</u>	<u>\$119.24</u>	<u>\$121.80</u>	<u>\$124.42</u>	<u>\$127.10</u>	<u>\$129.83</u>				
<u>3</u>	<u>\$238.47</u>	<u>\$243.60</u>	<u>\$248.83</u>	<u>\$254.18</u>	<u>\$259.65</u>				
<u>4</u>	<u>\$372.60</u>	<u>\$380.61</u>	<u>\$388.79</u>	<u>\$397.15</u>	<u>\$405.69</u>				
<u>6</u>	<u>\$745.22</u>	<u>\$761.24</u>	<u>\$777.61</u>	<u>\$794.33</u>	<u>\$811.41</u>				
<u>8</u>	<u>\$1,192.34</u>	<u>\$1,217.98</u>	<u>\$1,244.16</u>	<u>\$1,270.91</u>	<u>\$1,298.24</u>				
Greater than 8	Determined by the city on a case-by-case basis								

f. Wholesale water monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons).

TABLE H

Usage (gallons)	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	N/A	N/A	\$3.82	\$3.93	\$4.05	\$4.17	\$4.30

TABLE H

Usage (gallons)	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u> <u>10/01/2021</u>	
All	<u>\$4.30</u>	<u>\$4.39</u>	<u>\$4.49</u>	<u>\$4.58</u>	<u>\$4.68</u>

g. Monthly water billing charge for customers of potable water, irrigation water, or both.

TABLE I

Customer Category	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/201 4	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	\$1.41	\$1.45	\$1.26	\$1.29	\$1.33	\$1.37	\$1.41

<u>Customer</u> <u>Category</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
All (includes cost for backflow program)	<u>\$3.41</u>	<u>\$3.48</u>	<u>\$3.56</u>	<u>\$3.63</u>	<u>\$3.71</u>

- (2) Sewer service.
 - a. Monthly readiness for service charge.

TABLE J

Residential	04/01/201 2	10/01/201 2	10/01/201 3	10/01/201 4	10/01/201 5	10/01/201 6	10/01/201 7
Single-family residential	\$19.16	\$19.73	\$21.17	\$21.80	\$22.46	\$23.13	\$23.82
Condominium 5, manufactured homes, and mobile homes (charge per unit, on 5/8 × ¾ inch or greater meter)	\$ 19.16	\$ 19.73	\$ 16.38	\$ 16.87	\$ 17.37	\$ 17.90	\$ 18.43
Master- metered multifamily including apartments and any other master- metered residential accounts (charge per	\$16.43	\$16.92	\$17.58	\$18.11	\$18.65	\$19.21	\$19.79

unit, on 5/8 × ¾ inch or greater meter)							
Nonresidential Meter Size (inches)							
<u>5/8 × ¾</u>	\$19.16	\$19.73	\$ <u>21.17</u>	\$ <u>21.80</u>	\$22.46	\$ <u>23.13</u>	\$23.82
1	\$47.90	\$49.3 4	\$52.92	\$54.50	\$56.14	\$57.82	\$59.56
1½	\$95.80	\$98.67	\$105.83	\$109.01	\$112.28	\$115.65	\$119.12
2	\$153.28	\$157.88	\$169.33	\$174.41	\$179.64	\$185.03	\$190.58
3	\$306.56	\$315.76	\$338.66	\$348.82	\$359.29	\$370.07	\$381.17
4	\$479.00	\$493.37	\$529.16	\$545.04	\$561.39	\$578.23	\$595.58
6	\$958.00	\$986.74	\$1,058.33	\$1,090.07	\$1,122.78	\$1,156.46	\$ 1,191.15
8	\$1,532.80	\$1,578.78	\$1,693.32	\$1,744.12	\$1,796.44	\$ 1,850.3 4	\$ 1,905.85
Hospital	\$6,456.92	\$6,650.63	\$7,133.11	\$7,347.10	\$7,567.52	\$7,794.5 4	\$8,028.38

TABLE J

<u>Residential</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
Single-family residential	<u>\$23.82</u>	<u>\$24.33</u>	<u>\$24.86</u>	<u>\$25.39</u>	<u>\$25.94</u>
Condominiums, manufactured homes, and mobile homes (charge per unit, on 5/8 × ¾ inch or greater <u>meter</u>)	<u>\$18.43</u>	<u>\$18.83</u>	<u>\$19.23</u>	<u>\$19.64</u>	<u>\$20.07</u>
Master-metered	<u>\$19.79</u>	<u>\$20.22</u>	<u>\$20.65</u>	<u>\$21.09</u>	<u>\$21.55</u>

<u>multifamily,</u> <u>including</u> <u>apartments and</u> <u>any other master-</u> <u>metered</u> <u>residential</u> <u>accounts (charge</u> <u>per unit, on 5/8 ×</u> <u>¾ inch or greater</u> <u>meter)</u>					
<u>Nonresidential</u> and all irrigation <u>meters</u> <u>Meter size</u> <u>(inches)</u>					
<u>5/8 × ¾</u>	<u>\$23.82</u>	<u>\$24.33</u>	<u>\$24.86</u>	<u>\$25.39</u>	<u>\$25.94</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>\$59.56</u>	<u>\$60.84</u>	<u>\$62.15</u>	<u>\$63.48</u>	<u>\$64.85</u>
<u>1 ½</u>	<u>\$119.12</u>	<u>\$121.68</u>	<u>\$124.30</u>	<u>\$126.97</u>	<u>\$129.70</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>\$190.58</u>	<u>\$194.68</u>	<u>\$198.86</u>	<u>\$203.14</u>	<u>\$207.51</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>\$381.17</u>	<u>\$389.37</u>	<u>\$397.74</u>	<u>\$406.29</u>	<u>\$415.02</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>\$595.58</u>	<u>\$608.38</u>	<u>\$621.47</u>	<u>\$634.83</u>	<u>\$648.48</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>\$1,191.15</u>	<u>\$1,216.76</u>	<u>\$1,242.92</u>	<u>\$1,269.64</u>	<u>\$1,296.94</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>\$1,905.85</u>	<u>\$1,946.83</u>	<u>\$1,988.68</u>	<u>\$2,031.44</u>	<u>\$2,075.12</u>
<u>Hospital</u>	<u>\$8,028.38</u>	<u>\$8,200.99</u>	<u>\$8,377.31</u>	<u>\$8,557.42</u>	<u>\$8,741.41</u>

b. Monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons), all users.

TABLE K

Usage (gallons)	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/201 4	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	\$6.19	\$6.38	\$6.33	\$6.52	\$6.72	\$6.92	\$7.13

TABLE K

<u>Usage (gallons)</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
All	<u>\$7.13</u>	<u>\$7.28</u>	<u>\$7.44</u>	<u>\$7.60</u>	<u>\$7.76</u>

c. Wholesale sanitary monthly fixed charge.

TABLE L

Fixed Monthly Charge	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/201 4	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
(Per million gallons per day of reserved capacity)	N/A	N/A	\$4 5,170.65	\$4 6,525.77	\$4 7,921.5 4	\$4 9,359.19	\$50,839.96

TABLE L

Fixed Monthly Charge	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
(Per million gallons per day of reserved capacity)	<u>\$52,365.16</u>	<u>\$53,936.11</u>	<u>\$55,554.20</u>	<u>\$57,220.82</u>	<u>\$58,937.45</u>

d. Wholesale sanitary sewer monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons).

TABLE M

Usage (gallons)	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	\$5.1 4	\$5.29	\$0.57	\$0.58	\$0.60	\$0.62	\$0.64

TABLE M

Usage (gallons)	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
All	<u>\$0.66</u>	<u>\$0.68</u>	<u>\$0.70</u>	<u>\$0.72</u>	<u>\$0.74</u>

e. Monthly wastewater billing charge for wastewater customers.

TABLE N

Customer Category	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/2014	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	\$1.41	\$1.45	\$1.26	\$1.29	\$1.33	\$1.37	\$1.41

TABLE N

<u>Customer</u> <u>Category</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
All	<u>\$1.41</u>	<u>\$1.44</u>	<u>\$1.47</u>	<u>\$1.50</u>	<u>\$1.54</u>

- (3) Reclaimed water service.
 - a. Monthly consumption charge (dollars per 1,000 gallons).

TABLE O

Customer Category	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/201 4	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017			
	High Pressure									
First Block	\$0.88	\$0.91	\$0.92	\$0.93	\$0.96	\$0.99	\$1.02			
- Second Block	\$1.16	\$ <u>1.19</u>	\$ 1.31	\$1.32	\$1.36	\$1.40	\$1.44			
	Low Pressure									
All	\$0.082	\$0.085	\$0.087	\$0.090	\$0.123	\$0.157	\$0.193			

TABLE O

<u>Customer</u> <u>Category</u>	<u>10/01/2018</u>	<u>10/01/2019</u>	<u>10/01/2020</u>	<u>10/01/2021</u>	<u>10/01/2022</u>
High Pressure					

First Block	<u>\$1.08</u>		<u>\$1.24</u>	<u>\$1.33</u>	<u>\$1.42</u>				
Second Block	<u>\$1.52</u>	<u>\$1.64</u>	<u>\$1.76</u>	<u>\$1.88</u>	<u>\$2.01</u>				
Low Pressure									
All	<u>\$0.172</u>	<u>\$0.176</u>	<u>\$0.176</u> <u>\$0.180</u>		<u>\$0.187</u>				

b. Consumption blocks by meter size.

TABLE P

Meter Size (inches)	First Block	Second Block		
5/8 × ¾	0 to 12,000 gallons	over 12,000 gallons		
1	0 to 30,000 gallons	over 30,000 gallons		
1½	0 to 60,000 gallons	over 60,000 gallons		
2	0 to 96,000 gallons	over 96,000 gallons		
3	0 to 192,000 gallons	over 192,000 gallons		
4	0 to 300,000 gallons	over 300,000 gallons		
6	0 to 600,000 gallons	over 600,000 gallons		
8	0 to 960,000 gallons	over 960,000 gallons		

c. Monthly reclaimed water billing charge per reclaimed water customers (not applicable to low pressure customers or high pressure customers).

TABLE Q

Customer Category	04/01/2012	10/01/2012	10/01/2013	10/01/201 4	10/01/2015	10/01/2016	10/01/2017
All	N/A	N/A	\$1.26	\$1.29	\$1.33	\$1.37	\$1.41

(b) *Rereading charge.* A fee of \$5.00 for all rereads will be levied on the monthly utility bill if the monthly reread verifies the original reading was accurate.

(c) (b) Review and adjustment of wastewater rates. The wastewater service rates set forth in this section shall be reviewed annually and adjusted as necessary to maintain compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements governing wastewater user charges.

Sec. 74-11. Sewer rate for premises not connected to city water system.

The following charges and rates for wastewater service are hereby imposed when buildings are not connected to the city potable water system or other satisfactorily measureable source of water:

(1) Monthly consumption charge.

Residential	04/01/201 2	10/01/201 2	10/01/201 3	10/01/201 4	10/01/201 5	10/01/201 6	10/01/201 7
Single-family residential	\$39.1 4	\$40.31	\$4 <u>1.43</u>	\$4 2.67	\$4 <u>3.95</u>	\$45.27	\$4 6.63
Condominium S, manufactured homes, and mobile homes (charge per unit, on 5/8 × ¾ inch or greater meter)	\$39.1 4	\$40.31	\$ 30.30	\$ 31.21	\$ 32.15	\$ 33.11	\$34.11
Master- metered multifamily, including apartments and any other master- metered residential accounts	\$36.41	\$37.50	\$ <u>31.51</u>	\$32.45	\$33.43	\$34.43	\$35.46

TABLE R

(charge per unit, on 5/8 ×							
⁴ inch or							
greater meter)							
Nonresidential	Determined by the City on a case-by-case basis.						

(2) Wastewater deferred revenue charge. A charge of \$600.00 is to be paid at the time a building permit is issued and is in addition to plant capacity fees.

Sec. 74-12. Bills for water and sewer charges; appeal of disputed charges; delinquent accounts.

- (a) Billing. All water and wastewater bills and notices shall be delivered to the customer by mail or <u>electronically</u> and shall be for such period of service as shall be determined by the city finance department. The bill shall notify the customer of the right to appeal a disputed charge, provided that the appeal is filed in writing with the director of finance no later than the due date stated on the bill. The failure to file a written appeal within the time provided shall constitute a waiver of the right to contest the bill.
- (b) Appeal of disputed charges. The city finance director or his designee shall have the authority to hear appeals and make decisions concerning any disputed charges. Upon the receipt of a timely written appeal, the finance director shall promptly notify the customer of the time and place of the hearing. The discontinuance of service or imposition of a penalty shall be suspended pending the decision on the appeal. The hearing shall be informal, and the customer shall be afforded an opportunity to dispute the charges claimed due. The finance director or his designee shall render a written decision within a reasonable time following the hearing. The decision of the finance director or his designee shall be final.
- (c) Delinquent accounts. Water and wastewater accounts shall be delinquent unless payment is received on or before the due date stated on the bill. The fact that a customer does not receive a bill shall not relieve such customer of the obligation of timely payment for services or the penalties assessed for failure to pay within the time required. A payment is not considered received until a remittance has been recorded in the utility accounts receivable system. Consistent with applicable city policy, notice of such delinquency shall be mailed or <u>electronically</u> delivered to the customer, and a late penalty of ten percent of the bill shall be imposed. The notice shall state that the service will be discontinued if the delinquent account and all penalties are not paid in full by the date and time stated on the face of the notice. The finance director or his designee, at his sole discretion, may waive the late penalty upon a showing by the customer of a reasonable justification for the late payment. The decision of the finance director or his designee shall be final.
- (d) *Discontinuance of service and removal of meter.* Consistent with applicable city policy, upon the failure of the customer to pay the sums due by the date specified in the delinquency notice, the city shall, without further notice, discontinue the service. If the amount of the total bill exceeds the amount of the customer's guaranty deposit, the city may remove the meter.
- (e) One-time waiver. A customer is entitled to a one-time waiver of rates, fees and charges associated with high consumption or service discontinuance for cause over the lifetime of the customer The City of Venice Code of Ordinances is amended as follows with strike through text identifying deletions and <u>underlined text</u> indicating additional language.

account. The customer shall provide a timely written notification to the finance director of their desire to exercise this one-time waiver option.

Sec. 74-13. No change.

Sec. 74-14. Tests of water meters; inaccurate meters.

- (a) Any customer may demand that the meter through which water is being furnished be examined and tested by the city for the purpose of ascertaining whether it is registering correctly the amount of water which is being delivered through it. Such demand shall be made in writing to the finance department and the account will be assessed \$35.00 due with the next billing statement. Upon receipt of such demand, it shall be the duty of the finance <u>utilities</u> department to cause the meter to be examined and tested for the purpose of ascertaining whether it is registering correctly the water being delivered through it.
- (b) If, on such examination and test, the meter shall be found to register over three percent more water than actually passes through it, another meter will be substituted therefore, the fee of \$35.00 shall be adjusted from the account with the next billing statement, and on the next billing statement, the total consumption of the tested meter will be adjusted by the percentage that the meter was over registering. the water bill for the current period shall be adjusted in such a manner as the finance director may deem fair and just. If the meter is found to register less than, or equal to, three percent more water than actually passes through it, the \$35.00 charge shall be forfeited to the city and the water bill paid as rendered.
- (c) If a meter fails to register during any period or is known to register inaccurately, the consumer shall be charged with an average historical daily consumption for the period in question.

Secs. 74-15, 74-16 and 74-17. No change.

Secs. 74-18-74-40. Reserved.

ARTICLE II. WATER DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 74-41. No change.

Sec. 74-42. Maintenance responsibilities of city and property owner.

The city shall be responsible for maintenance of the water distribution main and the service line from the distribution main to the <u>meter</u> <u>backflow preventer (or meter if backflow preventer is not required)</u>, including the <u>meter</u> <u>backflow preventer (or meter if backflow preventer is not required)</u>. The property owner shall be responsible for maintenance of all plumbing from the <u>meter</u> <u>backflow preventer (or meter if backflow preventer backflow preventer (or meter if backflow preventer is not required)</u>.

Sec. 74-43. Tampering with meters, valves or other city equipment.

It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to tamper with or break a water seal thereof, to turn curb or corporation cocks, or to molest in any manner whatsoever any apparatus used and owned by the city in connection with its water system. This shall include any unauthorized testing or repair of backflow preventers. All shutoff valves are installed by the city for the use of the utilities department,

and it shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to tamper with or to turn off or turn on any water service valve between the water meter and the water main, or to turn off or turn on any water main valve of any description, except in case of an emergency. Emergency cutoffs shall be effected by the utilities department upon notification of an emergency. All customers shall provide their own shutoff valves, if applicable, and no backflow preventer is required.

Sec. 74-44. No change.

Sec. 74-45. Cross connections.

- (a) Prohibited. No cross connections shall be permitted. The term "cross connection," as used in this section, means any physical arrangement whereby the city water supply is connected, directly or indirectly, with any other water supply system, sewer, drain, conduit, pool, storage reservoir, plumbing fixture or other device which contains or may contain contaminated water, sewage or other waste or liquid of unknown or unsafe quality which may be capable of imparting contamination to the city water supply as the result of backflow. Bypass arrangements, jumper connections, removable sections, swivel or changeable devices and other temporary or permanent devices through which or because of which backflow could occur are considered to be cross connections.
- (b) Cross connection control manual adopted.
 - (1) The City of Venice Cross Connection Control Manual (August 2014 Revision) (July 2018 Revision) is hereby adopted as law as if set forth fully in this section.
 - (2) The cross connection control manual shall be liberally construed in the interest of protecting the city potable water supply and protecting the public health, safety and welfare of the users of the city water supply system.
 - (3) The provisions of this subsection (b) and the cross connection control manual shall prevail over any conflicting provisions of any ordinance or regulation within the city.

Secs. 74-46 through 74-49. No change.

Secs. 74-50 - 74-70. Reserved.

DIVISION 2. CAPACITY CHARGE

Secs. 74-71 through 74-72. No change.

Sec. 74-73. Charge when meter size increased.

Any increase in the meter size shall require payment of a water plant capacity charge in an amount equal to the current cost of that meter size less the water plant capacity charge previously paid <u>in</u> addition to the applicable tap fees.

Secs. 74-74 through 74-75. No change.

Secs. 74-76-74-100. Reserved.

ARTICLE III. SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 74-101. Sanitary facilities required; disposal of excreta.

- (a) *Definitions.* As used in the section, the following words and terms shall have the meanings designated in this subsection:
 - (1) Human excreta means the bowel and kidney discharges of human beings.
 - (2) Sanitary water closet means any flush toilet, which is properly connected with a city sanitary sewer or a septic tank of approved construction.
 - (3) Septic tank means an underground cavity with watertight walls into which flows the effluent of sanitary water closets and from which the effluent does not come to the surface of the ground.
- (b)(a) Use of water closet required. It shall be unlawful to dispose of any human excreta within the city except in a sanitary water closet.
- (c)(b) *Privies prohibited.* Privies are hereby declared to be public nuisances and their use for the disposal of human excreta is prohibited within the city.
- (d)(c) Septic tanks. No septic tank other than those approved by the state department of health and rehabilitative services shall be constructed within the city.
- (e)(d) Discharge of sewage into storm sewer. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge raw sewage or to discharge the effluent of and from any septic tank into the storm sewer system of the city or to construct or maintain any system of drainage, pipes, conduits or other apparatus whereby raw sewage or the effluent of and from any septic tank shall or may be discharged into or through the storm sewer system of the city.

Secs. 74-102-74-120. Reserved.

DIVISION 2. SEWER USE REGULATIONS

Sec. 74-121. Definitions. Reserved.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this division, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Approval authority means the state director in an NPDES state with an approved state pretreatment program and the administrator of the USEPA in a non-NPDES state or NPDES state without an approved state pretreatment program.

Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) means the quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five days at 20 degrees Celsius, expressed in terms of weight and concentration (milligrams per liter (mg/l)).

Building sewer means the extension from the building drain at a point five feet outside of the outer building wall to the public sewer or other place of disposal, the building drain being the lowest horizontal piping of a building's interior drainage, which receives wastewater from the building's interior and conveys it outside the building wall.

Cooling water means the water discharged from any use such as air conditioning, cooling or refrigeration, or to which the only pollutant added is heat.

Director means the director of the city utility system, who is in responsible charge of the city wastewater system, or his authorized deputy, agent or representative.

Domestic wastewater means sewage produced from noncommercial or nonindustrial activities and resulting from normal human living processes, substantially similar in origin and strength to that typically produced in households, including discharges from baths, laundries, sinks, garbage disposals and sanitary conveniences.

EPA and *USEPA* mean the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or where appropriate the term may also be used as a designation for the administrator or other duly authorized official of such agency.

FDEP means the state department of environmental protection and its duly authorized officials.

Holding tank waste means any waste from holding tanks such as vessels, chemical toilets, campers, trailers, septic tanks and vacuum-pump tank trucks.

Industrial user means a source of wastewater and wastes, excluding domestic wastewater and including wastewater from producing, manufacturing, processing, industrial, commercial, agricultural and other operations from which the discharge includes waste of nonhuman origin not otherwise classified as domestic wastewater.

Interference means the inhibition or disruption of the wastewater system treatment processes or operations or that which contributes to a violation of any requirement of the city's NPDES permit. The term includes prevention of sewage sludge use or disposal by the wastewater system in accordance with section 405 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1345) or any criteria, guidelines or regulations developed pursuant to the Solid Waste Disposal Act (SWDA), the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act or more stringent state criteria (including those contained in any state sludge management plan prepared pursuant to title IV of SWDA) applicable to the method of disposal or use employed by the city wastewater system.

National Categorical Pretreatment Standard and pretreatment standard mean any regulation containing pollutant discharge limits promulgated by the USEPA in accordance with section 307(b) and (c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1347) which applies to a specific category of industrial users.

National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit means a permit issued pursuant to section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1342).

Natural outlet means any outlet into a watercourse, pond, ditch, lake or other body of surface water or groundwater.

pH means the logarithm (base 10) of the reciprocal of the concentration of hydrogen ions expressed in grams per liter of solution, which expresses the degree of acidity or alkalinity.

Pollutant means any dredged spoil waste, incinerator residue, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials, heat, wrecked or discharged equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt and industrial, municipal and agricultural waste discharged into water, or any material capable of altering the integrity of water.

Pretreatment and *treatment* mean the reduction of the amount of pollutants, the elimination of pollutants, or the alteration of the nature of pollutant properties in wastewater to a less harmful state prior to or in lieu of discharging or otherwise introducing such pollutants into the wastewater system. The reduction or alteration can be obtained by physical, chemical or biological processes, or by process changes or other means, except as prohibited by 40 CFR 403.6(d).

Stormwater means any flow occurring during or following any form of natural precipitation and resulting therefrom. A storm sewer is a sewer, which carries stormwater and other drainage.

Suspended solids (SS) means the total suspended matter that floats on the surface of or is suspended in water, wastewater or other liquids, and which is removable by laboratory filtering.

Toxic pollutant means any pollutant or combination of pollutants listed as toxic in regulations promulgated by the administrator of the USEPA under the provisions of section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or other acts.

User means any person who contributes, causes or permits the contribution of wastewater into the city's wastewater system.

Wastewater and sewage mean the liquid and water-carried industrial or domestic wastes from dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities and institutions, together with any groundwater, surface water and stormwater that may be present, whether treated or untreated, which is contributed or permitted to enter the city wastewater system.

Wastewater system means the complete municipal system, including sanitary sewers, lateral sewer lines and other sewer facilities constructed or acquired by the city, including such purification and treatment facilities and works as may be provided during the course of sewage disposal, together with all improvements, extensions and additions to the sewer system, or any part thereof, and shall include all property, real and personal, tangible and intangible, owned or used in connection with the sewer system. For purposes of this division, this includes any sewers, which convey wastewater from persons outside the city by agreement.

Wastewater treatment plant means that portion of the wastewater system designed to provide treatment to wastewater.

Secs. 74-122 through 74-138. No change.

Secs. 74-139-74-160. Reserved.

DIVISION 3. CAPACITY CHARGE

Secs. 74-161 through 74-163. No change.

Sec. 74-164. Charge when meter size or contribution to sewer system is increased.

Any increase in the meter size or modification that increases the contribution to the sanitary sewer system shall require payment of a wastewater plant capacity charge in an amount equal to the current cost of that meter size or additional flow less the wastewater plant capacity charge previously paid <u>in</u> <u>addition to the applicable tap fee.</u>

Secs. 74-165 – 74-166. No change.

Secs. 74-167-74-190. Reserved.

ARTCLE IV. RECLAIMED WATER SYSTEM

Sec. 74-191. Definitions. Reserved.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Cross connection means any physical connection or arrangement, which would allow the movement of fluids between the potable water system and any other piping system, such as the reclaimed water system.

Customer means the actual user of the reclaimed water.

Department means the city utilities department.

Director of public utilities and *director* mean the individual responsible for the technical and operational activities of the utilities department of the city.

Distribution mains means those conduits used to supply reclaimed water to service lines from trunk mains.

Reclaimed water means water that has received at least advanced secondary treatment and is reused after flowing out of a wastewater treatment facility.

Reuse means the deliberate application of reclaimed water, in compliance with state department of environmental protection and water management district rules, for a beneficial purpose.

Service line means that conduit for reclaimed water from the distribution main to the property line.

Trunk mains means those conduits used to supply reclaimed water from the pumping station or treatment plant to the distribution mains.

Secs. 74-192 through 74-219. No change.

Secs. 74-220-74-240. Reserved.

SECTION 3. Severability. If for any reason a provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person, group of persons, or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity shall not effect other provisions or applications of the ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid provision, or application, and to this end the provisions of the ordinance are severable.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect October 1, 2018.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, THIS 11TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2018.

First Reading:August 28, 2018Final Reading:September 11, 2018Adoption:September 11, 2018

John W. Holic, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

I, LORI STELZER, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Venice, Florida, a municipal corporation in Sarasota County, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and complete, true and correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Venice City Council at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 11th day of September 2018 a quorum being present.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said City this 11th day of September 2018.

(SEAL)

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney