

**Town of Lyons, Colorado
Board of Trustees
BOT Agenda Cover Sheet
Agenda Item No: VI. 2.
Meeting Date: November 18, 2024**

TO: Mayor Rogin and Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Aaron Caplan, Engineering, Building & Utilities Director

DATE: November 12, 2024

1. **ITEM: Ordinance 1177** – an Ordinance of the Town of Lyons, Colorado, Amending Article 4 of Chapter 13 of the Lyons Municipal Code for the Purposes of Increasing the Service Rates and Charges for Wastewater Utility Service By the Consumer Price Index (CPI)

☒ ORDINANCE
☐ MOTION / RESOLUTION
☐ INFORMATION

I. REQUEST OR ISSUE:

Increase service rates and charges in the wastewater enterprise fund by 3% to cover increased expenses from inflation as required by Lyons Municipal Code section 13-4-70 (e.) Periodic CPI rate adjustment.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEP:

Approve Ordinance 1177 on the first reading, schedule a public hearing, and second reading.

III. FISCAL IMPACTS:

This rate increase is estimated to bring an additional \$28,500 in revenue to the water/wastewater enterprise fund.

Type of Consumer	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate
Residential consumers with metered Town-provided water service		
Base rate	\$24.45	\$25.20
Averaged Jan, Feb and March water usage - per 1,000 gallons	\$14.60	\$15.05
Commercial consumer with metered Town-provided water service		
Base rate	\$24.45	\$25.20
Water usage - per 1,000 gallons	\$14.30	\$14.75
All consumers with <u>flat-rate</u> Town-provided water	\$106.40	\$109.60
Fire Protection District	\$53.60	\$55.20

IV. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Lyons Municipal Code requires adjusting the wastewater fund rates and charges in accordance with the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI for 2025 is estimated to be 3%. We also have a recent facilities master plan showing the improvements needed for wastewater treatment facilities.

V. LEGAL ISSUES:

None

VI. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

None

VII. SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES:

- Approve ordinance on first reading with no changes
- Deny the ordinance on the first reading and do not increase the wastewater rates
- Recommend a different rate change and approve for public hearing and 2nd reading

PROPOSED MOTION:

"I move to approve Ordinance 1177, an ordinance increasing the wastewater utility rates, on first reading and to schedule a public hearing and second reading."