CITY OF FORKS
ORDINANCE NO. 699

An ordinance of the City of Forks amending Forks Municipal Code Provisions setting Water Service Rates

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORKS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Purpose.

Purpose and Findings
The purpose of this ordinance is to increase water service and meter rates so the City can meet its financial obligations and adequately fund:

- ongoing water system operations;
- necessary system additions and improvements;
- applicable taxes, including Public Utility Tax payments owed to the Washington State Department of Revenue; and
- other necessary expenses associated with providing water service.

Council Determination
After discussions at recent meetings, the City Council determined that a five percent (5%) increase in water service and meter rates are necessary to meet these obligations.

SECTION 2. Amending FMC 13.30.010 Meter Rates. Forks Municipal Code 13.30.010 is hereby amended and replaced with the following:

(1) The following schedule of meter rates shall be the basic rate for 400 cubic feet or less of water used by the consumer:

METER SIZE	INSIDE CITY RATE	OUTSIDE CITY RATE
¾"	$ 38.93	$ 58.40
1	97.33	146.07
1 ½"	178.40	267.64
2"	311.41	467.10
3"	408.76	613.12
4"	493.04	739.59
6"	583.90	875.89

(2) The rates listed above are the basic rates for 400 cubic feet or less of water used, and the City shall also charge the following amount for every 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of 400 cubic feet, up to and including 1,000 cubic feet per month as follows:

INSIDE CITY RATE	OUTSIDE CITY RATE
$4.31 per each 100 cubic feet	$6.35 per each 100 cubic feet

For every 100 cubic feet of water used over 1,000 cubic feet, the City shall charge the following:

INSIDE CITY RATE	OUTSIDE CITY RATE
$3.28 per each 100 cubic feet	$4.88 per each 100 cubic feet

SECTION 3. Amending FMC 13.30.010 – Meter Rates. Forks Municipal Code 13.30.010 is hereby amended and replaced with the following:

Trailer parks, apartment houses, motels renting units as apartments, without individual meters, will be charged in addition to the minimum and meter charges the sum of $8.78 per unit for each apartment, trailer, and/or unit in addition to the regular bill.

SECTION 4. Corrections

The City Attorney, City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make any necessary corrections to this ordinance to include such things as scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance number, section/subsection numbers, etc. Any such corrections cannot alter or impair the purposes and objectives associated with the adoption of this ordinance by the City Council.

SECTION 5. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days following its passage and publication, with the rate adjustment applied to the December 2026 billing cycle.

PASSED by the Forks City Council at its regular meeting on 26th day of October 2026.

Tim Fletcher, Mayor

Authenticated and Attested to:

Caryn DePew, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to Form:

William R. Fleck, Attorney/Planner