

CITY OF OBETZ
RECORD OF ORDINANCES



ORDINANCE: 08 – 26

PASSED: February 2, 2026

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE 2026 WATER, SANITARY SEWER, AND REFUSE SERVICES RATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, City Council is authorized to establish rates and charges for municipal water, sanitary sewer, and refuse services; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Obetz purchases water and sanitary sewer services from the City of Columbus, whose rates have increased significantly; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Obetz did not increase its water or sanitary sewer rates between 2013 and 2024, resulting in a disparity between wholesale costs and customer rates; and,

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that adoption of updated rates is necessary to ensure the continued operation and financial stability of essential municipal utility services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OBETZ, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. Adoption of Rates. The rate schedule contained in Exhibit A, which is hereby approved and incorporated herein by reference as if fully rewritten, constitutes the official water, sanitary sewer, and refuse rates for the City, until amended by subsequent ordinance of City Council.

Section 2. Applicability and Billing. The rates adopted by this Ordinance shall apply to all customers receiving water, sanitary sewer, and refuse services from the City and shall be billed in accordance with the classifications, terms, and schedules contained in Exhibit A.

Section 3. Administration. The City’s designated utility billing authority is hereby authorized and directed to implement and administer the rates adopted herein and to take all actions necessary to ensure proper billing and collection in accordance with Exhibit A.

Section 4. Repeal of Inconsistent Legislation. All ordinances, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City, as the timely adoption of updated water, sanitary sewer, and refuse rates is required to address increased wholesale utility costs, maintain adequate revenues for system operation and maintenance, and prevent disruptions to essential public services.

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Passed this 2 day of February, 2026.

ATTESTS:

Stacey Boumis
Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council

Angela M. Kirk
Angela M. Kirk, Mayor

[Signature]
Derek Varney, Council President Pro-Tem

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Eugene L. Hollins
Eugene L. Hollins, Esq., Law Director

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

Pursuant to the City Charter, I, Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk of Council of the City of Obetz, Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance 08-26 was duly posted at 5:00 PM (time) on the 9 day of February, 2026, at the Obetz Government Center, Obetz Community Center, and Obetz Athletic Club, as well as on the Obetz website.



Stacey Boumis
Stacey Boumis, Clerk

2/9/26
Date

**EXHIBIT A
2026 WATER, SANITARY SEWER, AND REFUSE RATES**

Following are the monthly minimum service charges based on meter size:

Meter Size	Water Service Charge	Sewer Service
3/4"	\$18.00	\$19.80
1"	\$72.95	\$54.60
1 1/2"	\$139.74	\$101.73
2"	\$196.52	\$156.31
3"	\$269.22	\$281.16
4"	\$397.67	\$439.16
6" and up	\$681.51	\$851.83

Following are the commodity charges by 1000 gallon increments:

Class	Water Commodity Charge	Sewer Commodity Charge
Residential	\$7.50 per 1000 gallons	\$9.14 per 1000 gallons of Water
Commercial	\$8.60 per 1000 gallons	\$9.41 per 1000 gallons of Water
Industrial	\$9.20 per 1000 gallons	\$9.86 per 1000 gallons of Water

**Low Income Program may reduce the Water Service Charge by 50% and the Water Commodity Charge by 50%. Contact the Utilities Department for details.*

Following are the Wet Weather Charges:

Residential	Commercial
\$3.55 per month/per ERU	\$3.55 per month/per ERU

**ERU is an "Equivalent Residential Unit" as determined by the City of Columbus. Currently, each residence is charged 1 ERU. Commercial and Industrial users are charge 1 ERU per 2,000 square feet of impervious surface area.*

Following are the Residential monthly Refuse Charges(no recycling):

Residential
\$22.18

**Residents 65 or Older Receive a 10% Discount from their Monthly Refuse Bill*