

CITY OF BRENHAM
 200 WEST VULCAN STREET P.O. BOX 1059
 BRENHAM, WASHINGTON COUNTY, TEXAS 77834-1059

ALL SERVICES	1100	1101
TARIFF	SECTION NO.	SHEET NO.
DRAINAGE CHARGE RATE SCHEDULE	JANUARY 1, 2020	
SECTION TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE	

RESIDENTIAL RATE DA

This rate is applicable to any residential improved lot or tract within the City limits, including single-family home, condominium, manufactured/mobile home, or duplex. The equivalent residential unit (ERU) is determined through an inventory of all improved single-family residential parcels in the City and determination of Impervious Area for each parcel. Impervious Area means a surface which is highly resistant to infiltration by water, including but not limited to, buildings, driveways, walkways, and parking lots. The sum of single-family Impervious Area, divided by the number of single-family units, equates to 1 ERU or 2,685 square feet. The monthly charge for each residential unit is based on 1.0 ERU.

The monthly charge shall be as follows:

Residential	ERU	MONTHLY FEE
	1.0	\$3.75

TERMS OF PAYMENT

All rates specified herein are net, and the gross rates for delinquent payments are ten percent (10%) higher. Each bill for service is due within fifteen (15) days after issuance unless such day falls on a holiday or weekend, in which case payment is due on the next workday. If full payment is not received at the City's offices or other approved payment location on or before the due date, all of the customer's utility services will be considered delinquent and subject to disconnection.

APPEALS

The appeals process is as follows;

1. Submit a written adjustment request to Utility Customer Service. The form can be found on the City website or picked up at Utility Customer Service in City Hall. Supplemental information and documentation may be required.
2. The City has fifteen (15) business days to review the appeal and respond to the requester. Adjustments are prospective and may be retroactive for no greater than three (3) billings prior to the adjustment request. If the City denies the appeal, the customer has fifteen (15) business days from date of notification to appeal the decision to the City Manager. The Burden of Proof is the responsibility of the requester.

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EXEMPTIONS

In accordance with the Texas Local Government Code, Section 552.053 and Section 580.003, the following are exempt:

1. Property with proper construction and maintenance of a wholly sufficient and privately-owned drainage system;
2. Property held and maintained in its natural state, until such time that the property is developed, and all public infrastructure constructed has been accepted by the municipality where the property is located for maintenance;
3. A subdivided lot, until a structure is built on the lot and a Certificate of Occupancy is issued by the City;
4. State agencies; and
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NON-RESIDENTIAL RATES D1, D10, D30, D50

The rates are applicable to all improved properties within the City limits other than residential property, including but not limited to, commercial, industrial, institutional, government, multi-family, triplex, quadplex, non-profit and religious organization land uses. Non-Residential Rates are based on Impervious Area determined for each parcel. Impervious Area means a surface which is highly resistant to infiltration by water, including but not limited to, buildings, driveways, walkways, and parking lots. Non-Residential ERUs = Impervious Area/2,685 square feet (Residential 1 ERU), with a minimum of 1 ERU and a maximum ERU dependent upon ERU tier placement.

The monthly charge shall be as follows:

	ERU TIERS BASED ON ACTUAL IMPERVIOUS SF	MINIMUM MONTHLY FEE	MAXIMUM MONTHLY FEE
Non-Residential	Less Than 1.0 to 10.0	\$3.75	\$37.50
	Greater Than 10.0 to 30.0		\$90.00
	Greater Than 30.0 to 50.0		\$150.00
	Greater Than 50.0		\$300.00

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