

**CITY OF MARION
FEE AND RATE ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Marion, North Carolina as follows:

Section 1. That the City of Marion Fee and Rate Schedule, adopted on July 1, 2024, is rescinded in its entirety and replaced with the City of Marion Fee and Rate Ordinance 2025-2026 as follows:

**Fee and Rate
Ordinance 2025-2026**

Effective July 1, 2025



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I. Water and Sewer Rates

	Inside City	Outside City
Water Rates:	\$3.84 per 1,000 gallons plus \$19.46 Service Charge per month	\$9.49 per 1,000 gallons plus \$48.55 Service Charge per month
Minimum rate for 2,000 gallons or less	\$23.04	\$57.50
Master Meter Rate	\$3.84 per 1,000 gallons plus \$15.51 Service Charge per unit per month	\$9.49 per 1,000 gallons plus \$38.76 Service Charge per unit per month
Master Meter Minimum Rate for 2,000 gallons or less per unit per month	\$3.58 plus \$15.51 Service Charge per unit per month	\$8.95 plus \$38.76 Service Charge per unit per month
Sewer Rates:	\$4.66 per 1,000 gallons plus \$23.61 Service Charge per month	\$11.51 per 1,000 gallons plus \$58.93 Service Charge per month
Minimum rate for 2,000 gallons or less	\$27.96	\$69.79
Master Meter Rate	\$4.66 per 1,000 gallons plus \$18.83 Service Charge per unit per month	\$11.51 per 1,000 gallons plus \$47.04 Service Charge per unit per month
Master Meter Minimum Rate for 2,000 gallons or less per unit per month	\$4.35 plus \$18.83 Service Charge per unit per month	\$10.86 plus \$47.04 Service Charge per unit per month
Metered Sewer Rates for Private Wells	\$6.64 per 1,000 gallons plus \$23.61 Service Charge per unit per month	\$16.59 per 1,000 gallons plus \$58.93 Service Charge per unit per month
Fire Line Connection Monthly Fee:		
< 8 inch line	\$10.00	\$37.50
8-10 inch line	\$15.00	\$62.50
>10 inch line	\$20.00	\$87.50
Water Rates Block Structure:		
200,000 – 499,999 gallons	\$4.84 per 1000 gallons	\$10.49 per 1000 gallons
500,000 – 999,999 gallons	\$5.84 per 1000 gallons	\$11.49 per 1000 gallons
1,000,000 +	\$6.84 per 1000 gallons	\$12.49 per 1000 gallons
Sewer Rates Block Structure:		
200,000 – 499,999 gallons	\$5.66 per 1000 gallons	\$12.51 per 1000 gallons
500,000 – 999,999 gallons	\$6.66 per 1000 gallons	\$13.51 per 1000 gallons
1,000,000 +	\$7.66 per 1000 gallons	\$14.51 per 1000 gallons

Important Notices:

McDowell County Schools and McDowell County Government are kept at minimum overage per 1,000 gallons, and not a part of the block structure.

All sewer charges are based on water meter readings; unless a sewer metering device approved by the City has been installed.

When more than one unit is served by a Master Meter, such as a mobile home park, shopping center, or apartment complex, the monthly minimum charge (for 2,000 gallons or less usage) is \$3.58 per 1,000 gallons plus a service charge of \$15.51 per unit served for water and \$4.35 per 1,000 gallons plus a service charge of \$18.83 per unit served for sewer in the City. If outside the City, the monthly minimum charge (for 2,000 gallons or less usage) is \$8.95 per 1,000 gallons plus a service charge of \$38.76 per unit served for water and \$10.86 per 1,000 gallons plus a service charge of \$47.04 per unit served for sewer. This applies whether said units are occupied or not.

A residence using a private well, with no water meter, shall pay a flat rate of \$57.50 per month per residential unit for sewer service, if located outside the City. If the residence using a private well, with no water meter, is located inside the City, a flat rate of \$23.04 per month per residential unit shall be charged for sewer service.

Water Service Connection Fees (Tap Fees)

Water Meter Size	Inside City	Outside City
	Tap Fee	Tap Fee
¾"	\$ 1,070	\$ 2,675
1"	1,230	3,075
1 ½"	3,900	9,750
2"	4,280	10,700
3"	At Cost	At Cost x 2.5
4"	At Cost	At Cost x 2.5
6"	At Cost	At Cost x 2.5
8"	At Cost	At Cost x 2.5
10"	At Cost	At Cost x 2.5
12"	At Cost	At Cost x 2.5

Water Capacity Fees: Effective July 1, 2023

Per gallon per day	\$3.88
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It is the policy of the City of Marion to establish a schedule of "System Development Fees in accordance with Article 8 of Chapter 162 of the North Carolina Statutes. The fees are intended to defray the cost of the water and sewer infrastructure as calculated in a report by McGill Associates dated May 2023 and titled "Cost-Justified Water and Wastewater System Development Fees Report".

Equivalent flow rates will be per the North Carolina Administrative Code 15A: NCAC 18C.0409 and NCAC 02T.0114 (Authority NCGS 130A-315: 103A-317)

Tap Fees (Domestic Water Service):

Charges for Connections for Fire Protection/Sprinkler Lines in Residential and/or Commercial Developments:

Size Service	Inside City	Outside City
2"	\$ 1,100	\$ 2,750
3"	At cost	At cost x 2.5
4"	At cost	At cost x 2.5
6"	At cost	At cost x 2.5
8"	At cost	At cost x 2.5
10"	At cost	At cost x 2.5
12"	At cost	At cost x 2.5

In accordance with the City of Marion Backflow Prevention / Cross Connection Control Ordinance (Code of Ordinances Chapter 20, Article II.2), an approved backflow prevention assembly shall be installed, by the customer and at the customer's expense, on the service line to any premises that the City of Marion has identified as having a moderate or severe degree of hazard rating. Where the installation of an approved backflow prevention assembly is required, the customer is responsible for the testing of the backflow prevention assembly and the submission of test results to the City of Marion, in the manner and at the frequencies required by the City of Marion Backflow Prevention / Cross Connection Control Ordinance. All backflow prevention assembly installations shall be inspected by the City of Marion Public Works Department prior to initiation of water service. Water service will not be initiated by the City of Marion until the installation of the backflow prevention assembly has been approved.

Sewer Service Connection Fees (Tap Fees):

Water Meter Size	Inside City	Outside City
	Tap Fee	Tap Fee
¾"	\$ 1,080	\$ 2,700
1"	1,170	2,925
1 ½"	1,260	3,150
2"	1,350	3,375
3"	1,440	3,600
4"	1,530	3,825
6"	1,620	4,050
8"	1,710	4,275
10"	1,800	4,500
12"	1,890	4,725

	Inside City	Outside City
Relocate Water/Sewer Connection (Owners Request)	At Cost	Cost Plus 10%
Increase Meter Size	Difference in Tap Fee and System Development Fees for Water/Sewer	Difference in Tap Fee and System Development Fees for Water/Sewer

Sewer Capacity Fees: Effective July 1, 2023

Per gallon per day	\$4.61
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Deposit and/or Prepayment for New Accounts:

Residential Accounts

	Inside City	Outside City
Water Deposit	\$40	\$80
Sewer Deposit	\$40	\$80

In cases where an existing residential water and/or sewer customer has been a water and/or sewer customer of the City for a period of no less than five consecutive years and has made no late payments in the previous twelve months moves to another location on the City's water and sewer system, the following procedure shall apply:

Any increase in the deposit required to be paid to bring the customer's deposit up to the current level listed above may be paid in three equal installments, to be added to the customer's first three water and/or sewer bills in the new location. If the customer fails to make any of the required payments, their service may be cut off pursuant to City policy.

Commercial, Industrial and Master Meter Accounts:

The water and/or sewer deposit for commercial, industrial and master meter accounts shall be an amount equal to the average monthly charge for water and/or sewer service, but not less than the residential deposits. The initial deposits for commercial, industrial and master meter accounts shall be as follows:

	Inside City		Outside City	
	Water	Sewer	Water	Sewer
Fast Food/Pizza Restaurants	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 200	\$ 200
Other Restaurants w/seating	150	150	300	300
Grocery Stores	150	150	300	300
Apartment Complexes w/ Master Meter	150	150	300	300
Car Washes	150	150	300	300
Laundries	200	200	400	400
Nursing/Family Care Homes	200	200	400	400
Industry-50 or more employees	500	500	1,000	1,000
Industry-less than 50 employees	200	200	400	400

Other Master Meter Accounts	100	100	200	200
General Business	50	50	100	100

The City Manager shall determine the appropriate deposit for any commercial, industrial or master meter customer not listed in the preceding schedule. At the end of six months of service, the City will determine the average use by averaging the three highest months. The customer will be billed for any additional amount for the proper deposit. If the amount is not received in thirty days, the utility bill will be increased each month for twelve consecutive months until the proper deposit has been received. If the average monthly deposit is lower than the amount the City has received from the initial deposit, the City will credit the water account of the customer for the amount of the difference in the initial deposit and the average monthly bill.

In cases where an existing institutional water and/or sewer customer with multiple (more than one) existing meters or services has been a water and/or sewer customers of the City for a period of no less than 20 consecutive years, and has made no late payments in the previous twelve months installs or acquires an additional meter or service, no additional deposits shall be charged for said additional meter or service, beyond what the customer has already paid to the City.

Other Miscellaneous Charges:

	Inside City	Outside City
Water/Sewer Service Connect Fee	\$35	\$35
First Late Penalty	\$10	\$10
Second Late Penalty	\$15	\$15
Reconnect Service:		
After Disconnection for non-payment	\$35	\$35
Seasonal Resident	\$15	\$37.50
Temporary Service (seven days or less)	\$25 plus actual water usage	\$47.50 plus actual water usage
Transfer Existing Account to New Address	\$20 plus deposit upgrade if inadequate	\$20 plus deposit upgrade if inadequate

METER TAMPERING:

Meters are the property of the City of Marion. Per North Carolina General Statute 14-151.1, it is illegal for any unauthorized person (including a licensed plumber) to alter, tamper with, relocate, willfully damage, or bypass a water meter. It is illegal for any person (including a licensed plumber) other than a City of Marion employee to reconnect a water meter after City of Marion personnel have disconnected it. Meter Tampering is subject to criminal charges. Any person violating these provisions may be found guilty of a **Class 1 Misdemeanor**. Removing or tampering with a meter can result in fees to cover the cost of damages, civil penalties, and criminal charges. Obstructing a water meter can result in civil penalties as well.

	Inside City	Outside City
Returned Check or Bank Draft	\$25 or 10% of Check, Whichever is Greater	\$25 or 10% of Check, Whichever is Greater
Customer's Request to Check Water Meter for Accuracy:		
$\frac{3}{4}$ " & 1" Meters	\$25	\$25
Larger Meters	At Cost	At Cost
Determination of Flow and Service Capabilities	At Cost	At Cost
Water Testing: Bacterial Only	\$50	\$50

II. Business Registration Fees

Each business within the City limits, shall be charged a \$25 Business Registration Fee if allowed by State Statute.

III. Planning, Building, and Fire Application and Inspection Fees

SECTION 1. CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY.

The City of Marion shall charge a \$125.00 fee for change of occupancy (C.O.) defined by the North Carolina Building Code. A \$30.00 fee shall be charged for a zoning compliance permit, change of owner, or zoning verification letter not requiring site plan review or certificate of occupancy.

SECTION 2. SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION.

This section shall apply to all signs regulated pursuant of Division 4 *Sign Regulations* of Chapter 21 *Zoning* of the Code of the City of Marion.

On Premise Sign. The permit application fee for an on-premise sign that is twenty-four (24) square feet or less that does not require a footing and/or an electrical inspection shall be \$50.00 plus \$1.00 for each additional square foot over 24 square feet. An on-premise sign that is twenty-four (24) square feet or less that does require a footing and/or an electrical inspection shall be \$100.00 plus \$1.00 for each additional square foot over 24 square feet. An on-premise electronic message center (EMC) sign shall be \$500.00. The fee for a temporary one (1) week directional event sign permit and all other thirty (30) day temporary sign permits shall be \$30.00. No fee shall be charged for a temporary sign permit for non-profit organizations with offices or locations within the City Limits.

Off-Premise Sign. The initial permit application fee for an off-premise sign permit shall be \$500.00 plus \$1.00 for each additional square foot over one hundred square feet. The fee shall include footing and/or an electrical inspection. An annual renewal fee shall be charged for all off-premise advertising signs. Failure to renew an off-premise sign shall result in a revocation of permit. The annual off-premise sign fee will be as follows:

OFF-PREMISE SIGN FEE SCHEDULE	
Sign Face	Annual Renewal Fee (Increase \$50)
0-100 square feet	\$300.00
101-200 square feet	\$300.00 + \$0.50 per square foot
201-300 square feet	\$300.00 + \$1.00 per square foot

SECTION 3. TEMPORARY EVENT/USE FEES.

Type of Fee	For-Profit Event or Use	Non-Profit Event or Use
Permit Application Fee	\$100.00	\$30.00
Inspection Fee	\$30.00 per tent, air inflatable, and stage canopy, or similar	\$10.00 per tent, air inflatable, and stage canopy

	structure regulated under NC Building or Fire Code	
Block Party Street Closure	\$1,000	\$1,000
Stage or other structure larger than 120 square feet or temporary electrical power is installed or utilized.	\$100	\$100
City staff support charged per hour per employee within one hour minimum.	\$20.00	\$20.00

City Council may waive temporary event and temporary use fees on a case-by-case basis.

A permit application fee shall not apply to a residential yard sale.

SECTION 4. MOBILE FOOD VENDOR PERMIT APPLICATION.

An annual permit fee of \$240.00 shall be required on the July 1 of each year for each mobile food vendor unit operating in the City of Marion, such permit fee shall be pro-rated based on the month the permit is approved. A one-time two-day mobile food vendor permit per unit can be obtained for \$30.00.

SECTION 5. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL.

A fee of \$400.00 will be charged for each application processed through the Planning and Development Department that requires action by the Board of Adjustment, Planning Board and/or City Council excluding cell tower applications, subdivision review applications, and Historic Preservation Commission applications. This fee includes administrative processing, staff analysis, advertising, and public notice.

SECTION 6. TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER PERMIT APPLICATION.

A telecommunications tower permit application fee of \$5,000 shall be required for each new tower constructed in the City of Marion, an additional permit application fee of \$20,000 shall be charged for any new tower constructed in the Downtown Overlay (DO) District.

SECTION 7. SUBDIVISION REVIEW APPLICATION.

The following fees shall apply to subdivision review applications.

SUBDIVISION REVIEW FEE SCHEDULE	
Review Process	Application Fee
Statutory Plat Review	\$30.00
Plat Minor Subdivision Review	\$50.00
Preliminary Plat Major Subdivision Review	\$300.00 + \$10.00 per lot
Final Major Subdivision Plat	\$100.00

SECTION 8. SITE PLAN AND PLANS REVIEW FEE.

PLANS REVIEW	
Type	Fee
Site Plan Review (Inclusive of Zoning Compliance Permit)	
Residential Site Plan Review 0 FT to 200 SF	\$30.00
1 and 2-family homes, manufactured homes, and residential additions and new construction greater than 200FT	\$50.00
All commercial less than 1,000 SF	\$50.00
All commercial 1,000 SF or greater	\$100.00
Building Plans Review	
Commercial 0 FT – 1000 SF	\$50.00
1,001 – 2,000 SF	\$100.00
2,001 – 5,000 SF	\$200.00
5,001 – 20,000 SF	\$300.00
20,0001 SF and greater	\$500.00

SECTION 9. HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION REVIEW APPLICATION.

A fee of \$100.00 shall apply to applications requiring public notice and approval from the Historic Preservation Commission.

SECTION 10. FLOODPLAIN AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMPLIANCE.

A fee of \$100.00 will be charged for all development subject to floodplain development regulations and all multi-family residential and non-residential development subject to watershed management regulations.

SECTION 11. BUILDING PERMIT FEE.

Building permit fees for all new buildings and additions to existing buildings constructed in the City of Marion will be based on the total number of square feet in the building, addition or structure by using the permit table below. The cost per square foot includes all trades. Single trade permit fees are calculated under Section 12. *Renovation, Alteration, Upfit, and Individual Trade Permit Fees.*

Type	Base	Cost Per Square Foot
One and two-family residential (except manufactured homes)	Minimum \$750	\$0.5 per square foot
Accessory building or structure	Minimum \$200 plus \$85 residential and \$150 commercial per trade	
All commercial and non-residential	Minimum \$500	
1 to 10,000 square feet		\$0.65 per square foot + \$500

10,001 to 50,000 square feet		0.60 per square foot + \$1,000 plus an additional \$1,000 per 10,000 SF (pro-rated \$0.10 per SF)
50,001 + square feet		0.55 per square foot + \$2,000 plus additional \$1,000 per 40,000 SF (\$0.025 per SF)

SECTION 12. RENOVATION, ALTERATION, UPFIT, AND INDIVIDUAL TRADE PERMIT FEES

The fee for a renovation, alteration, or upfit to a building or structure shall be calculated at 75% of the total cost of a building permit per trade.

The minimum trade permit fee for any commercial or non-residential building or structure shall be \$150.00. The minimum trade permit fee for a residential building or structure shall be \$85.00.

SECTION 13. HOMEOWNERS RECOVERY FUND. The City shall charge all licensed general contractors a \$10.00 fee for the construction and/or alteration of a single-family residential dwelling unit, including townhouses and condominiums. The fee will be collected for each dwelling unit and will be in addition to the City's regular building permit. The City will forward \$4.00 of each fee collected to the North Carolina Licensing Board for General Contractors. (G.S. 87-15.6)

SECTION 14. MANUFACTURED HOMES.

The permit fee for a manufactured home shall be \$300.00. The mobile home permit will include all trades. Modular home construction shall refer to Section 11. *Building Permit Fee*.

SECTION 15. MISCELLANEOUS INSPECTIONS.

Fees for miscellaneous inspections will be as follows:

MISCELLANEOUS INSPECTION PERMITS	
Inspection Type	Fee
Fuel Storage Tank	\$80.00
Swimming Pools	\$80.00
Insulation	\$80.00
Temporary Power	\$80.00
Demolition	\$80.00 + \$0.10 per sq. ft.
Other Required Inspection	\$80.00
Portable Toilet Inspection	\$25.00
Driveway Installation	\$50.00 + cost for work by city crew.
Concrete Slab	\$2.00 per square foot
Retaining Wall four (4) feet and above	Length x height x \$1.00 SF

Mechanical Equipment Change Out (no including electrical)	\$80.00 per unit residential \$120.00 per unit commercial
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ABC INSPECTION PERMITS	
Inspection Type	Fee
0-10,000 Square Feet	\$200.00
10,001- 50,000 Sq. ft.	\$400.00
50,001 and larger	\$600.00
Amending Existing ABC License	\$30.00

SECTION 16. BUILDING AND FIRE REINSPECTION FEES.

Failed Inspection

Fees for building and fire inspections shall be as follows for any failed inspection and/or when an inspection has been requested and work is not ready for inspection when the inspector has arrived:

REINSPECTION FEES	
Inspection Type	Fee
Inspection (<i>Fire Only</i>)	\$0.00
First Re-Inspection	\$0.00
Second Re-Inspection	\$50.00
Third Re-Inspection	\$75.00
Fourth Re-Inspection	\$100.00
Five Re-Inspection	\$200.00

Off Duty/After Hours Inspections

A fee of \$125.00 per hour or any fraction thereof for inspections requested beyond the normal business hours of Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm and any city-observed holidays.

SECTION 17. FIRE CODE VIOLATION FEES.

A fee shall be charged for each fire code violation in accordance with the following table:

FIRE CODE VIOLATION FEES	
Violation Type	Fee
Blocked or Locked Exits – 1 st Violation	Warning
Blocked or Locked Exits – 2 nd and Subsequent Violations	\$150.00
Exceeding Maximum Occupancy Load – 1 st Violation	Warning
Exceeding Maximum Occupancy Load – 2 nd Violation	\$25.00
Exceeding Maximum Occupancy Load – 3 rd Violation	\$50.00
Exceeding Maximum Occupancy Load – 4th and Subsequent	\$75.00

Violations	
Failure to Maintain Fire Extinguishing Equipment –1st Violation	Warning
Failure to Maintain Fire Extinguishing Equipment –2nd Violation	\$25.00
Failure to Maintain Fire Extinguishing Equipment –3rd Violation	\$50.00
Failure to Maintain Fire Extinguishing Equipment – 4th and Subsequent Violations	\$75.00
Other Fire Code Violations –1st Violation	Warning
Other Fire Code Violations – 2nd Violation	\$25.00
Other Fire Code Violations –3rd Violation	\$50.00
Other Fire Code Violations – 4th and Subsequent Violations	\$75.00

SECTION 18. SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

A developer may make a one-time payment for the construction of a sidewalk where the need for sidewalk infrastructure has been identified in the City of Marion Comprehensive Transportation Plan or another city-adopted plan. The one-time payment will be the total cost of constructing a sidewalk consistent with the required design guidelines identified in the City of Marion Standards and Specifications Manual. A third-party North Carolina Licensed Engineer shall certify the cost of construction, which shall be approved by the City of Marion Public Works Director or his or her designee.

In lieu of a certified cost estimate, the City of Marion Public Works will provide an estimate for the total cost of work. The total cost shall include staff labor, materials, equipment, and other fees required for the construction of the sidewalk at the time of the development project.

SECTION 19. WORK WITHOUT PERMIT.

The City of Marion shall charge a penalty double the standard permit fee for all activities requiring a zoning or building permit and/or inspection.

SECTION 20. ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNOLOGY FEES.

Geographic Information System (GIS)

GIS staff time shall be \$50.00 per hour (one-hour minimum). All requests are subject to review and approval based on feasibility and staff availability.

Document Reproduction.

All documents reproduced shall be charged at a rate consistent with IV. Copy Charges adopted as part of the City of Marion Fee Schedule.

Technology Fee.

A 5% technology fee shall be applied to each application submitted.

SECTION 21. REFUNDS.

A refund may be requested on an active building permit when no inspection has been performed within thirty days of issuance or on any other UDO application that has not been permitted or advertised may be refunded in full minus a \$30.00 administrative fee.

IV. Annexation Fee

The total fee of an official annexation request shall be \$500. An initial fee of \$100 shall be paid to begin an unofficial annexation inquiry. If following the initial inquiry, the applicant chooses to continue with an official annexation request, the \$100 inquiry fee shall be applied to the total fee of \$500.

V. Copy Charges

For 8 ½ X 11 size copies charges shall be \$.10 per page for black & white and \$.25 per page for color. For 11 X 17 the charge shall be \$.25 per page. The charges for police reports shall be \$5.00.

VI. Community Building and Community Building Basement Rental Rates:

A VALID CREDIT CARD GUARANTEE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL FACILITY RENTALS UNLESS SPECIFICALLY EXEMPTED.

Per Day, Per Event Charge: Main or Street Level: Kitchen and Assembly Room Basement with Kitchen Fee for Use of Audio System (Excludes Civic Clubs and Not-for-Profit Organizations)	\$450 \$225 \$75
One-half Day (Immediately Preceding Day of Event) To Be Reserved No Earlier Than Two Weeks Prior to Event	\$100
Deposit for Each Use: Deposits Must Be Made at Least 30 Days in Advance of Event to Avoid Cancellation	\$450
Fee for Rentals by Private Individuals where Alcohol is Served	\$200
Civic Clubs and Not-for-Profit Organizations Authorized by the City Council to Use the Building on a Regular Schedule and at a Special Rate	\$45
Events for Not-for-Profit Organizations selling products and services to members and/or the public and renting the facility at least 6 times per year. This rate is only valid for rentals scheduled Monday through Thursday	\$150
Girl Scout Room: Per Day, Per Event Charge Deposit for Each Use:	\$50

Deposits Must Be Made at Least 30 Days in Advance of	Event to Avoid Cancellation	
		\$25

VII. Depot Building Rental Rates:

Per Day, Per Event Charge:		
Kitchen and Assembly Room		\$400
Courtyard (only rented with Kitchen & Assembly Room)		\$200
Fee for Use of Audio System (Excludes Civic Clubs and Not-for-Profit Organizations)		\$75
Fee for Rentals by Private Individuals where Alcohol is Served		\$200
One-half Day (Immediately Preceding Day of Event)		
To Be Reserved No Earlier Than Two Weeks Prior to Event		\$100
Deposit for Each Use:		
Deposits Must Be Made at Least 30 Days in Advance of	Event to Avoid Cancellation	
		\$400
Civic Clubs and Not-for-Profit Organizations Authorized by the City Council to Use the Building on a Regular Schedule and at a Special Rate		
Events for Not-for-Profit Organizations selling products and services to members and/or the public and renting the facility at least 6 times per year. This rate is only valid for rentals scheduled Monday through Thursday		\$45
		\$150

VIII. Oak Grove Cemetery / Mausoleum/Columbarium Charges:

Opening and Closing of Mausoleum	\$400
Opening and Closing of Columbarium	\$400
Sale of New Mausoleum Vaults	\$3,500
Sale of Columbarium Niches	\$1,200
Plaques for Mausoleum Vaults and Columbarium Niches	Cost Plus 10%
Additional Call Out Fee Weekdays 4 pm – 7 am and Anytime on Weekends and Holidays	\$250
Administrative Fee to Research Graves	\$35

VIII. Septic Hauler Charges:

Charges shall be \$.05 per gallon.

X. Leaf & Trash Bag Sales:

Charges shall be \$1.25 per roll of four bags.

XI. Bulk Water Sales:

\$25 Plus \$.03 per gallon (Requires a deposit of \$500 for use of a City fire hydrant meter assembly.)

XIII. Weed and Grass/Junked Vehicle/Solid Waste Ordinance Violations and Minimum Housing and Unsafe Structure Demolitions:

For Weed and Grass/Junked Vehicle and Solid Waste Ordinance violations charges shall be the total accrued citation amount per violation, and total abatement cost including legal fees plus \$500 administrative fee. For minimum housing and unsafe structure condemnation violations, actual cost of abatement per violation including legal fees plus an administrative fee of \$2,000 will be applied as a lien on an owner's property for violation where the responsible party fails to take corrective action pursuant to the Administrative Order.

XIII. Parking/Ordinance Violation Charges:

Residential Parking Permits: For residents of Downtown Overlay District to allow parking at all times in any City off-street parking lot, except for North Main Street Gazebo Parking Lot.	\$0 per year
Parking Violations: Paid within 14 days Paid after 14 days but before 30 days	\$10 \$35
<u>Parking Violations (continued)</u>	
Paid after 30 days Fire Lane Parking Violations Fire Hydrant Parking Violations Handicap Parking Violations	\$50 \$25 \$25 \$250
Other Ordinance Violations	\$50
Background Checks: Taxicab Operators/Drivers Pool Rooms/Game Rooms Tattoo Parlors	\$25 \$25 \$25

XIII. Solid Waste Collections:

Residential Solid Waste Collection	
Fee per month per residence	\$14/month

Special Collections		
Items Loaded Without the Use of a Backhoe:		
1 – 5 Items		\$50
6 – 10 Items		\$100
Over 10 Items		To Be Determined by Sanitation Supervisor
If Backhoe Required:		
1 – 5 Items		\$50
6 – 10 Items		\$100
Over 10 Items		To Be Determined by Sanitation Supervisor
Trash Trailer – delivery, pick-up & unloading		\$50

Commercial Solid Waste Collection		
Plan "A" Industrial/Commercial Dumpsters		
Number of Pick-Ups Per Week:		Monthly Charge:
1		\$222
2		\$533
3		\$845
4		\$1157
5		\$1,470
Plan "A" Industrial/Commercial Dumpsters (continued)		
Number of Pick-Ups Per Month:		Monthly Charge:
1		\$65
2		\$110
3		\$154
Number of Pick-Ups Per Week:		Monthly Charge:
1		\$23 (minimum)
2		\$125
3		\$230
4		\$336
5		\$444
Plan "C" Commercial Can Service		Monthly Charge:
1 (3 – 35-gallon cans)		\$32
Plan "D" Commercial Recycling Service		Monthly Charge:
Number of Pick-Ups Per Week:		
1 (2 – 14-gallon bins)		\$32

an "E" Commercial Recycling Service –	Restaurants & Bars (5 – 15 to 28-gallon cans)	Monthly Charge:
	Number of Pick-Ups Per Week:	
1		\$47
2		\$72
3		\$98
4		\$124
5		\$149
	Excess container charge	\$5
Other Miscellaneous Charges:		
First Late Penalty		\$10
Second Late Penalty:		\$15
Garnishment Fee		\$15

XV. Public Right-of-Way Improvement Permit Fees

1. Public Right-of-Way Improvement Permit Fee

a. Fees for general right-of-way improvements: The permit fees for all utility work, curb cuts, driveway installations and repairs are as follows:	
Utility Construction or Repairs:	
200 Lineal Feet (LF) or less	\$50
201 to 300 Lineal Feet	\$100
301 to 500 Lineal Feet	\$150
501 to 2,500 Lineal Feet	\$250 Plus \$20 for Each Additional 100 LF or Fraction Thereof Above 500 LF
2,501 Lineal Feet and Above	\$500 Plus \$200 for Each Additional 1,000 LF or Fraction Thereof Above 2,501 LF
Curb Cuts, Driveway Installations and Repairs	\$50 Plus Actual Costs for work done by City
b. All other work: The permit for all other type of work in the public right-of-way, such as concrete structures, guard rail, slope protection, drainage channel work, roadway upgrading, etc.	\$50
c. Street obstruction fee: not to be charged for public/private event approved by City	\$15 per day
d. Payment in lieu of fees: City may elect to allow provision of alternate sources of public benefit equal/greater to fee.	To Be Determined by City Council

2. **Construction Inspection Fee:** In addition to the permit fee listed above, a five percent (5%) construction inspection fee is required for any and all construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, modification or removal of any transportation or flood control improvements within a public right-of-way. The construction inspection fee is calculated based on the total cost of the construction covered under the permit. The construction inspection fee is in addition to the right-of-way permit fees listed above.

XVI. Animal Fees:

The annual registration fee for pot-bellied pigs shall be \$25.

XVII. Off-Duty Police Officers Extra Duty Rate

Off Duty Police Officers can be hired for special assignments. The rate is \$45.00 per hour. The assignment must last at least 4 hours. More detailed information about Extra Duty events can be obtained by contacting the Marion Police Department.

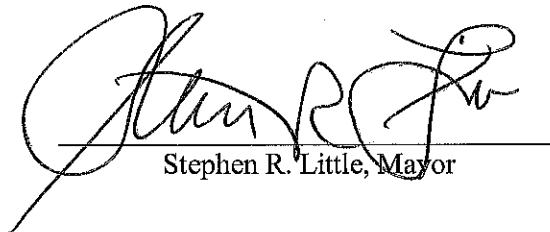
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Section 2. The City of Marion Fee and Rate Schedule, all adopted on July 1st, 2024, is rescinded upon the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 3. All other ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are rescinded upon the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2025.

Adopted this the 17th day of June 2025



Stephen R. Little, Mayor

ATTEST:



Katelyn R. Stinson

Katelyn R. Stinson, Assistant to the Manager/City Clerk

Ordinance Number: O-25-06-17-4

