

By-Law No. 7426

BEING A BY-LAW of The City of Brandon to amend Water and Wastewater Rates By-law No. 7342 with respect to the recovery of the Water and Wastewater Utility 2023 actual operating deficit.

WHEREAS The Public Utilities Board has issued Order No. 42/25 approving the 2023 actual operating deficit recovery methodology of a rate rider of \$0.064 per cubic meter for 5 years and 6 months commencing April 1, 2025;

AND WHEREAS The City of Brandon is empowered under The Municipal Act, R.S.M. 1996, c.M225, to provide for the maintenance, management and conduct of a water and wastewater system and for imposing rates, surcharges and fees in relation to same;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to ensure all fees and deposits are consolidated into said Rates By-law or Annual Schedule of Fees;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Brandon in session duly assembled, hereby enacts a by-law as follows:

- 1) Schedule “A” to Water and Wastewater Rates By-law No. 7342 be amended by adding in Section 1.b the words: “In addition to the aforesaid commodity rates, a deficit rate rider shall be charged for 5 years and 6 months commencing April 1, 2025 to recover the 2023 operating deficit as follows: Water \$0.064 per cubic meter”.
- 2) That this by-law shall come into full force and effect on the day following the date of passage.

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of The City of Brandon duly assembled this 5th day of May, A.D. 2025.

“J. Fawcett”
Mayor

“R. Sigurdson”
City Clerk

Read a first time this 22nd day of April , A.D. 2025.
Read a second time 5th day of May , A.D. 2025.
Read a third time 5th day of May , A.D. 2025.

I, Renee Sigurdson, Clerk of the City of Brandon, DO HEREBY CERTIFY the above within to be a true and correct copy of By-law No. 7426.



Original Signed by
R. Sigurdson
R. Sigurdson, City Clerk

CITY OF BRANDON
WATER & WASTEWATER RATES BY-LAW NO. 7342
SCHEDULE "A"

AS AMENDED BY BY-LAW NO. 7390 and 7426.

1. Schedule of Commodity Rates

a. Commodity Rates per Cubic Meter

	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Water	\$1.80	\$2.10	\$2.40	\$2.71
Wastewater	\$1.79	\$2.14	\$2.49	\$2.84
Water & Wastewater	<u>\$3.59</u>	<u>\$4.24</u>	<u>\$4.89</u>	<u>\$5.55</u>

b. Deficit Rate Rider

In addition to the aforesaid commodity rates, a deficit rate rider shall be charged, for 7 years commencing October 1, 2023 to recover the 2015, 2016, 2017, 2020, & 2021 operating deficits as follows:

Water	\$0.19 per cubic meter
Wastewater	\$0.21 per cubic meter

In addition to the aforesaid commodity rates, a deficit rate rider shall be charged for 6 years and 6 months commencing April 1, 2024 to recover the 2022 operating deficit as follows:

Water	\$0.033 per cubic meter
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[AM. B/L 7390]

In addition to the aforesaid commodity rates, a deficit rate rider shall be charged for 5 years and 6 months commencing April 1, 2025 to recover the 2023 operating deficit as follows:

Water	\$0.064 per cubic meter
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c. Debenture Surcharge

In addition to the aforesaid commodity rates, the following debenture surcharges shall be charged:

- i. \$0.083 per cubic meter of water shall be charged for 20 years commencing October 1, 2021 in accordance with Public Utilities Board Order No. 108/21;
- ii. \$0.089 per cubic meter of water shall be charged for 20 years commencing October 1, 2022 in accordance with Public Utilities Board Order No. 83/22.

d. Service Charge

	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Quarterly	\$18.00	\$19.17	\$20.34	\$21.51
Monthly	\$4.80	\$5.11	\$5.42	\$5.74

Service Charge Rates are per water meter

e. Wastewater Only

Residential Customers	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Quarterly	\$108.00	\$124.92	\$141.84	\$158.76

Monthly	\$34.80	\$40.36	\$45.92	\$51.49
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Wastewater only charge is based on **45 cubic meters quarterly or 15 cubic meters monthly, plus the customer service charge.**

2. <u>Wastewater Septic Truck Tipping Fees</u>				
	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Per Cubic Meter	\$8.00	\$8.25	\$8.50	\$9.00
3. <u>Bulk Water</u>				
	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Per 445 Litres	\$1.00			
Per 400 Litres		\$1.00		
Per 355 Litres			\$1.00	
Per 310 Litres				\$1.00

4. <u>Meter/Bypass Resealing</u>				
When damages or meter tampering, or both are reported, all costs to restore or replace the meter, as determined by the Director of Utilities or Delegate, plus payment for the estimated quantity of unmetered water and related wastewater commodity charge, plus a fee for resealing the meter/bypass shall be charged and added to the utility account and collected along with the next scheduled billing, unless prior written authorization for breaking the seal was issued by the Director of Utilities or Delegate.				
	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Resealing Fee	\$90.00	\$93.00	\$95.00	\$98.00

5. <u>Meter Testing</u>				
If any owner or customer wishes to have the water meter in their premises tested, the Director of Utilities or Delegate shall have such meter tested. If the test finds the meter to be accurate, a fee shall be charged for the test. Testing fees shall be added to the utility account and collected along with the next scheduled billing.				
	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
1” or Less	\$170.00	\$175.00	\$180.00	\$185.00
Greater than 1”	\$245.00	\$255.00	\$260.00	\$270.00

6. <u>Meter Replacement</u>				
Where the meter requires replacement due to damage or freezing, the cost of the meter, or meter replacement parts, plus 20%, and a labour fee shall be added to the utility account and collected along with the next scheduled billing.				
	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Labour Fee	\$90.00	\$93.00	\$95.00	\$98.00

7. <u>Water Curb Stop Turn On/Turn Off</u>				
The fee to turn on or turn off the water service at the curb stop shall be:				
	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
During working hours	\$90.00	\$93.00	\$95.00	\$98.00
Outside working hours	\$475.00	\$490.00	\$505.00	\$520.00

Working hours shall be between 8:00am-4:00pm, Monday-Friday, not including statutory holidays

Such fee shall be added to the utility account and collected along with the next scheduled billing.

8. Hydrant Connection/Disconnection

The fee for either a temporary hydrant connection or disconnection shall be:

	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
Connect/Disconnect	\$90.00	\$93.00	\$95.00	\$98.00

Such fee shall be added to the utility account and collected along with the next scheduled billing.

9. Hydrant Fees

The City of Brandon or any other hydrant owner of an active and useable hydrant for the purpose of firefighting operations will pay to the Utility an annual fee for each hydrant connected to the system and a fee for the cost of an annual inspection by the City.

Hydrants that have no firefighting purpose and are used solely for City of Brandon watermain maintenance activities shall not be charged a system connection fee.

	Oct. 1, 2023	Jan. 1, 2024	Jan. 1, 2025	Jan. 1, 2026
System Connection	\$125.00	\$130.00	\$135.00	\$140.00
Annual Inspection	\$90.00	\$93.00	\$95.00	\$98.00

10. Billings and Penalties

Accounts shall be billed monthly or quarterly, at the discretion of the City, based on water used. A late payment penalty charge of 1.25% monthly shall be charged on the dollar amount owing after the billing due date. The due date will be a minimum of fourteen (14) days after the invoice date of the bills.

11. Outstanding Bills

Pursuant to Section 252(2) of the Municipal Act, the amount of all outstanding charges for water and wastewater services, and other service fees, including penalties, are a lien and charge upon the land serviced, and shall be collected in the same manner in which ordinary taxes upon the land are collectible, and with like remedies. Where charges and penalties pursuant to this by-law are not paid within sixty (60) days from the date when they were incurred, the Director of Finance, or Delegate, may add said charges and penalties to the taxes on the property and collect them in the same manner as other taxes.

The fee to add outstanding water and wastewater charges to the property tax roll shall be \$10.00 per account.