

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2-02**  
**WHEAT RIDGE WATER DISTRICT**  
**JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO**

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**A RESOLUTION RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING,  
AND IN SOME INSTANCES, INCREASING THE RATES, FEES AND CHARGES OF  
THE WHEAT RIDGE WATER DISTRICT  
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 32-1-1001(1)(j)(I), C.R.S., the Board of Directors (“Board”) of the Wheat Ridge Water District (“District”) has the authority to fix and from time to time increase or decrease rates, fees, tolls, penalties, or charges for services, programs, or facilities furnished by the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the District operates a potable water distribution system (“System”) that was initially constructed in the 1950’s; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the interest of the public health, welfare and safety of the District and of the District’s inhabitants that the District collect adequate revenue to pay ongoing operation and maintenance costs and generate sufficient reserves to replace the System as and when needed; and

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the adoption of the District’s 2026 Budget on December 9, 2025 following a budgetary review process that began in August 2025, the Board determined that it may be necessary to raise certain, but not all of the District’s rates, fees, and charges for calendar year 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, at least thirty (30) days prior to this meeting, the Board provided notice of its intent to consider an increase in one or more of the District’s rates, fees, tolls and charges to the District’s customers in accordance with the provisions of Section 32-1-1001(2)(a), C.R.S., by utilizing the District’s transparency notice that is posted on the publicly accessible section of the Special District Association of Colorado website; and

**WHEREAS**, at the Board’s January 13, 2026 meeting, the Board adopted the rates, fees and charges as set forth in this Resolution and directed legal counsel to prepare this Resolution memorializing the Board’s action.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Wheat Ridge Water District, Jefferson County, Colorado that:

1. **2026 Volumetric and Base Services Charges**. The District bills monthly for water service. For calendar year 2026 the District’s volumetric and base charges for water service for single family residential customers, duplex customers and multi-family, commercial,

industrial park and temporary taps are set forth on page 1 of Exhibit A as attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. In addition, the District has a monthly base charge for hydrant meters in the amount of \$103.58 per month and a consumption charge for hydrant meters of \$15.90 per thousand gallons of metered water consumed. The District's monthly readiness to serve charge for private sprinkler systems and standpipes for 2026 is \$25.64 per month.

2. **2026 Tap Fees.** For calendar year 2026 the District's water tap fees are as set forth on pages 2, 3, and 4 of the attached Exhibit A.

3. **Transfer and Other Miscellaneous Fees.** For calendar year 2026 the District's miscellaneous fees, including but not limited to transfer fees, fire line or hydrant review fees, easement preparation fees, temporary tap review fees and engineering fees for any project requiring additions or modifications are as set forth on page 2 of Exhibit A.

4. **Effective Date.** The rates, fees and charges as adopted by the Board and memorialized by this Resolution shall be effective as of January 1, 2026, and shall remain in effect until further action of the District's Board of Directors.

5. **Public Health and Safety.** The Board hereby determines and finds that the adoption of this Resolution is necessary for and promotes the public health, welfare, and safety of the District and inhabitants.

6. **Amendment.** The aforementioned rates, fees and charges shall remain in effect until further action by the Board of Directors.

7. **Rules and Regulations.** This Resolution shall supersede any contrary provision contained in the District's Rules and Regulations, which shall be modified as soon as reasonably practical to conform to the provisions set forth in this Resolution, if necessary.

**ADOPTED** on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026 and executed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

WHEAT RIDGE WATER DISTRICT

By: Clancy Degenhart  
Clancy Degenhart, Chairman

Attest:

Kelly Baillie  
Kelly Baillie, Secretary

**EXHIBIT A**

**Wheat Ridge Water District  
2026 Rate Schedule (All Monthly Billing)**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
<b>Single Family Residential Customers Service Charge:</b>	\$ 11.02	\$ 16.53

<b>Consumption</b>	<b>Gallons</b>	<u>Rate per 1,000 Gallons</u>
Block 1	0-6,000	\$ 6.51
Block 2	7,000-15,000	\$ 7.31
Block 3	16,000-25,000	\$ 8.01
Block 4	26,000-40,000	\$ 8.67
Block 5	41,000 and Above	\$ 9.46

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
<b>Duplex (with single meter) Service Charge:</b>	\$ 17.92	\$ 26.88

<b>Consumption</b>	<b>Gallons</b>	<u>Rate per 1,000 Gallons</u>
Block 1	0-10,000	6.51
Block 2	11,000-26,000	7.31
Block 3	27,000-38,000	8.01
Block 4	39,000 and Above	8.67

**Multi Family, Commercial, Industrial, Park, and Temporary Taps:**

		<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
<b>Service Charge</b>			
5/8" & 3/4"		\$ 22.03	\$ 33.05
1"		\$ 35.84	\$ 53.76
1 1/2"		\$ 47.24	\$ 70.86
2"		\$ 74.56	\$ 111.84
3"		\$ 130.46	\$ 195.69
4"		\$ 233.83	\$ 350.75
6"		\$ 371.08	\$ 556.62
8"		\$ 562.54	\$ 843.81
Fireline		\$ 21.19	\$ 31.79
<b>Consumption</b>	<b>Rate per 1,000 Gallons</b>	\$ 7.24	\$ 7.67
<b>Hydrant Meter Usage</b>	<b>Per Month Base Charge</b>	\$ 103.58	\$ 103.58
<b>Consumption</b>	<b>Per 1,000 Gallons</b>	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00

## Tap and Other Charges

These fees are in addition to Denver Water System Development Charges which also apply to the area of the Wheat Ridge Water District. Denver Water SDS charges are available online

In addition to the below fees, applicants shall also pay for any new meter and radio required for the tap, as well as all plan review and charges of the Wheat Ridge Water District Consulting Engineer.

All projects involving hydrants, mains, tap charges, transfers or exchanges will require the following initial deposit against review and engineering charges prior to the start of such reviews:

New Single-Family home, tap transfer or exchange	\$250.00
New Duplex with either single tap or two taps, transfer, or exchange	\$500.00
New Multi Family Developments of up to six units, transfer, or exchange	\$1,000.00
New Multi Family Development of six units or greater, transfer or exchange	\$2,000.00
Fire Line or Hydrant Review, Engineering and Easement work	\$2,000.00
Temporary Tap Review and Engineering	\$2,000.00
Any Project Requiring Main Additions or Modifications	\$2,000.00

The deposit will be credited against actual costs of plan review and the charges of the Consulting Engineer. If the deposit is more than actual charges, a refund will be made; if the charges are higher an invoice will be sent for the balance, which must be paid at the time of your tap application to Wheat Ridge Water District.

### 1. Single Family Residential Base Charge Per Residential

Tap: \$15,078.07

**Applicability:** Licenses for individual single family 3/4" residential taps within the Wheat Ridge Water District service area. System Development Charges are due and payable

prior to issuance of a license to the customer. Single family rates also apply to duplexes or multi unit developments with individual taps and meters for each unit.

**2. Multi Family Residential (Duplexes up to any greater number of units)**

<b>Charge for first two units served through a single tap</b>	<b>\$21,500.00</b>
<b>Charge per unit for next six household units</b>	\$5,350.00
<b>Charge per unit over eight household units</b>	\$3,200.00

**Applicability:** Licenses for multifamily residential taps within the Wheat Ridge Water District service area. System Development Charges are due and payable prior to issuance of a license to the customer.

Large planned residential developments involving several buildings constructed simultaneously may be charged as if the development is on one tap, provided that the development is required to build substantial main improvements for the district to support the development, and the district water system, and the manager supports such method of charging in the interest of the Wheat Ridge Water District, and the City of Wheat Ridge. The cost of taps 3” or larger may be adjusted by the Board of Directors to reflect the cost of additional mains serving the projected tap.

**3. Commercial Non-Residential**

**Applicability:** Licenses for all other taps within the Wheat Ridge Water District service area. System Development Charges are due and payable prior to issuance of a license to the customer. The cost of taps three” or larger may be adjusted by the Board of Directors to reflect the cost of additional mains serving the projected tap. The final tap price will be determined after consultation with the District Engineer as to the actual cost of serving taps larger than 3”.

Tap Size (inches)

<b>3/4"</b>	<b>\$15,078.07</b>
<b>1"</b>	\$25,029.60
<b>1 1/2"</b>	\$50,209.97

2"	\$80,366.11
3"	\$160,732.23
4"	\$251,200.65
6"	\$502,552.07
8"	\$804,113.47

Fire Lines: \$650.00 per inch

**\*Tap Fee Costs based on AWWA Combined Cost Approach**

Hydrant Meter Refundable Deposits per Hydrant meter program, equipment rental charges, plus consumptions charges of \$40.00 per month base charge, plus \$10.00 per thousand gallons usage charge.

Temporary Taps \$1,500.00 tap fee, plus billed at the commercial rate of \$6.25 per thousand usage charge.

NOTE: A PLOT PLAN SHOWING GROSS LOT SIZE MUST ACCOMPANY ALL REQUESTS FOR WATER TAPS. APPLICANT SHALL ALSO SUBMIT A PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITE.