

ORDINANCE 2026-03

AN ORDINANCE TO ADJUST CITY SEWER RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE CITY OF TIPTON EAST (CITY) WASTEWATER SERVICE AREA

- WHEREAS,** The Common Council of the City of Tipton, Indiana pursuant to Indiana Code 36-9-23-25, last adopted revisions to the City Sewer rates and charges utilized by Tipton Municipal Utilities (TMU) for City wastewater customers on December 27, 2011, via Ordinance 2011-11, which included the last rate increase in 2015; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tipton Utility Service Board (TUSB) and TMU initiated a financial review by Krohn & Associates to evaluate the financial requirements to operate, maintain and invest in the existing East (City) wastewater plant and wastewater collection systems, and it has been recommended that reasonable and just rate adjustments be made to meet those operation and maintenance needs as well as to provide for future planned investments in the City wastewater systems and infrastructure ; and
- WHEREAS,** The TUSB has the fiduciary responsibility to make recommendations to the Tipton Common Council and the Tipton City Mayor relative to adoption of revised Sewer rates and charges; and
- WHEREAS,** The TUSB did unanimously pass TUSB Resolution 2026-04 recommending the Common Council consider and approve the adoption of revised and recommended wastewater rates and charges per the attached Exhibit A; and
- WHEREAS,** Upon the conclusion, due diligence and thoughtful review by this Council of the information provided by TMU and the TUSB; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tipton Common Council of the City of Tipton now finds that the TUSB Board Resolution 2026-04 and the TUSB recommendation to Tipton Common Council to adjust City sewer rates and charges is well-founded and appropriate.

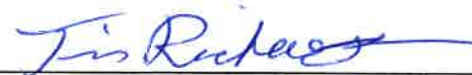
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TIPTON, INDIANA THAT THE CITY WASTEWATER RATES AND CHARGES ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A TO THIS ORDINANCE BE APPROVED AS PROPOSED BY THE TIPTON UTILITY SERVICE BOARD. THE NEWLY ADOPTED RATES SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2026.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage by the Common Council of the City of Tipton and its publications as provided by law.

Approved this 13 day of July, 2026 on this first reading by the City of Tipton Common Council, Tipton, Indiana.

Passed and adopted this 27 day of July, 2026 on second and final reading by the City of Tipton Common Council, Tipton, Indiana.

Nathan Kring, Council President



Timothy Richards, Councilman



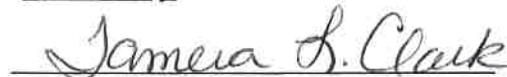
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Richard Rippy, Councilman



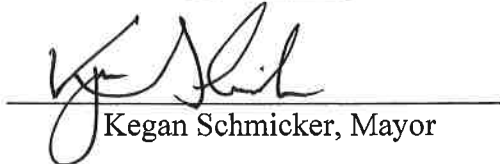
Richard Vautaw, Councilman

Presented by me, Tamera L. Clark to the Mayor of the City of Tipton, on the 27 day of July, 2026 at the hour of 5:55 P.M.



Tamera L. Clark, Clerk-Treasurer

This ordinance is hereby APPROVED by me, Kegan Schmicker, on the 27 day of July, 2026 at the hour of 5:55 P.M.



Kegan Schmicker, Mayor

Attest:



Tamera L. Clark, Clerk-Treasurer

Prepared by James E. Ankrum, Tipton Municipal Utilities General Manager

EXHIBIT A**TIPTON MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER UTILITY****SCHEDULE OF WASTEWATER RATES AND CHARGES - EAST PLANT**

	<i>Effective Date:</i>	<u>Phase 1</u> 9/1/2026	<u>Phase 2</u> 1/1/2028
<u>MONTHLY METERED RATES (PER 100 CU. FT.):</u>		\$ 3.96	\$ 4.41
<u>BASE MONTHLY CHARGES:</u>			
<u>METER SIZE:</u>			
5/8 INCH METER		\$ 25.55	\$ 28.44
1 INCH METER		61.91	68.92
1 1/2 INCH METER		141.83	157.88
2 INCH METER		243.59	271.15
3 INCH METER		558.54	621.74
4 INCH METER		970.39	1,080.21
6 INCH METER		2,205.96	2,455.60
<u>UNMETERED RATE:</u>		\$ 53.14	\$ 59.15
<u>WHOLESALE RATE:</u>			
TOWN OF SHARPSVILLE (PER GALLON)		\$ 0.00433	\$ 0.00482
TOWN OF KEMPTON (PER GALLON)		\$ 0.00427	\$ 0.00476
TOWN OF KEMPTON (MONTHLY BASE CHARGE)		\$ 2,664.00	\$ 2,965.00
	<i>Effective Date:</i>	<u>Phase 1</u> 1/1/2027	
<u>TAP (CONNECTION FEES):</u>		\$1,500 OR ACTUAL COST, WHICHEVER IS GREATER	
<u>AVAILABILITY FEES:</u>			
<u>METER SIZE:</u>			
5/8 INCH METER		\$ 1,750.00	
1 INCH METER		4,375.00	
1 1/2 INCH METER		8,750.00	
2 INCH METER		14,000.00	
3 INCH METER		26,250.00	
4 INCH METER		43,750.00	
6 INCH METER		87,500.00	
8 INCH METER		140,000.00	
10 INCH METER		201,250.00	