Town of Louisa, Virginia
Water and Sewer Rate Ordinance
Fiscal Year 2026-2027
Resolution 26-10

Whereas, the Town of Louisa, Virginia owns and operates both a drinking water distribution system and a sanitary sewer system for the Town, its businesses and residents; and

Whereas, these necessary public services require ongoing investment and maintenance as well as continual oversight and administration; and

Whereas, pursuant to power granted by state law (Va. Code§15.2-2119), the Town has authority to adopt reasonable fees and charges for providing such water and sewer services; and

Whereas, in past years, the ongoing costs of these systems have been partially paid for with Town general funds; and

Whereas, the Town Council deems it to be in the best interests and general welfare of its citizens and businesses to continue providing these important services in a fiscally prudent manner that relies increasingly less on general taxpayer dollars and more on actual system user fees and charges; and

Whereas, such proposed rates as set forth below were previously advertised in the newspaper as required by state law, and Town Council held a public hearing on June 9, 2026, which afforded residents the opportunity to comment on the proposed rates and charges in addition to other proposed rates and fees that help fund Town operations.

Now Therefore, Be It Ordained by the Town Council for the Town of Louisa, Virginia, that the following rates and charges for water and sewer services are hereby adopted for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Utility Rates	Current (FY25/26)	Proposed (FY26/27)	Change
Base Water Rate for 0-4,000 gallons of consumption	$45.44	$45.44	No Change
Water Rate for consumption in excess of 4,000 gallons - per 1,000 additional gallons	$8.11	$8.11	No Change
Base Sewer Rate for 0-4,000 gallons of consumption	$52.74	$56.43	$3.69 Increase (7%)
Sewer Rate for consumption in excess of 4,000 gallons - per 1,000 additional gallons	$11.02	$11.79	$0.77 Increase (7%)
Bulk Water Sales per 1,000 gallons ($25 minimum billing)	$20.27	$20.27	No Change
Meter Deposit for all new services	$300.00	$150.00	Decrease $150 (50%)
Base Water Rate for 0-4,000 gallons of consumption - OUT OF TOWN	$51.03	$51.03	No Change
Water Rate for consumption in excess of 4,000 gallons - per 1,000 additional gallons-OUT OF TOWN	$9.80	$9.80	No Change
Base Sewer Rate for 0-4,000 gallons of consumption - OUT OF TOWN	$77.14	$82.54	$5.40 Increase (7%)
Sewer Rate for consumption in excess of 4,000 gallons - per 1,000 additional gallons-OUT OF TOWN	$11.75	$12.57	$0.82 Increase (7%)

Connection Rates	Current (FY25/26)	Proposed (FY26/27)	Change
Water Connections			
Residential Water Connection Fee - Single Family Unit - 5/8" – plus installation cost	$5,736.00	$5,736.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Water Connection Fee - 1" - plus installation cost	$19,008.00	$19,008.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Water Connection Fee - 1.5" - plus installation cost	$32,880.00	$32,880.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Water Connection Fee - 2" - plus installation cost	$50,718.00	$50,718.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Water Connection Fee - 3" - plus installation cost	$87,120.00	$87,120.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Water Connection Fee - 4" - plus installation cost	$139,758.00	$139,758.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Water Connection Fee - 6" - plus installation cost	$280,002.00	$280,002.00	No Change
Sewer Connections*			
Residential Sewer Connection Fee - Single Family Unit - 5/8" – plus installation cost	$9,264.00	$9,264.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Sewer Connection Fee - 1" - plus installation cost	$27,438.00	$27,438.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Sewer Connection Fee - 1.5" - plus installation cost	$50,400.00	$50,400.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Sewer Connection Fee - 2" - plus installation cost	$80,640.00	$80,640.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Sewer Connection Fee - 3" - plus installation cost	$151,200.00	$151,200.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Sewer Connection Fee - 4" - plus installation cost	$252,000.00	$252,000.00	No Change
Commercial/Large Sewer Connection Fee - 6" - plus installation cost	$504,000.00	$504,000.00	No Change

* The calculation of commercial sewer connection fees is based on gallons per month of water usage.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and the schedule of rates and charges shall be applicable as of July 1, 2026.

Adopted by the Town Council for the Town of Louisa, Virginia this 16th day of June 2026.

By: _____
Mayor, Ashley Michael

Attest: _____
Clerk, Stephanie Dorman