

Hiawatha sewer rate increase approved

(KNZA)--Sewer rates are going up for customers of the city of Hiawatha.

The City Commission Tuesday evening approved an ordinance increasing rates about 43 percent, effective with the February 1, 2023 billing.

The city says the average customer will see an about a \$25 increase in their monthly sewer rate.

The minimum charge for customers inside the city limits will increase about \$14 a month to \$45.80, while the minimum charge for customers outside the city limits will increase about \$17 a month to \$55.87.

In addition, customers inside the city limits will pay a user charge of \$42.67 per 1,000 cubic feet of water and those outside the city limits will pay a user charge of \$85.34 per 1,000 cubic feet of water.

The last sewer rate increase was in 2017.

The Commission also earlier this month approved a 20 percent water rate increase, which will take effect with the February billing.

The last water rate increase was in 2016.

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