

# CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION Fee Schedule Analysis July 21, 2020



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#### INTRODUCTION

This report summarizes the analysis completed by Utility Financial Solutions (UFS) to determine the cost of providing specific services to customers of Charter Township of Union. The following steps were followed to complete the analysis:

### **Steps to Complete Analysis**

- 1. Calculated current fees using standard costing methods
- 2. Applied administration and overhead rates
- 3. Recommended changes to existing fee schedule

### **Overhead and Benefit Charges**

The analysis required overhead rates be applied to the operational costs calculated in the study. The table below is the overhead and benefits rates applied in the analysis.

### Table One – Overhead and Benefits Applied in Analysis

Assumptions	
MARGIN	7.0%
Overhead	10.0%
Overtime rate multiplier (1.5x)	50.0%
Call-out mimimum time (Hours)	2.00



#### **Table Two - Results Summarized**

			Three Year Phase-in		
Service Provided	cos	<b>Current Fee</b>	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Water Bulk Rate	\$5.00 per 1,000 Gal; \$500 Deposit	\$5.00 per 1,000 Gal; \$500 Deposit	i 	 	
Water Hook Up 5/8" meter	\$ 1,648.77	\$1,325 (1" Service)	1,435.00	\$ 1,545.00	\$ 1,650.00
Inspection Fees	\$ 117.25	\$60 Per hour	\$78 per hour	\$98 per hour	\$117 per hour
Turn On/Off	\$ 91.03	\$20	\$ 45.00	\$ 68.00	\$ 91.00
Turn On/Off After hours	\$ 194.97	\$50	\$ 98.00	\$ 146.00	\$ 195.00
Turn On/Off Non-Payment	\$ 165.48	\$30	\$ 75.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 165.00
Final Read	\$ 78.52	\$15	\$ 36.00	\$ 57.00	\$ 78.00
Fire Flow Test	\$ 290.56	\$150	\$ 190.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 290.00
OPTIONAL: RETURN Check fee	\$ 98.71	\$0	\$ 33.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 99.00
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## **Recommendations**

UFS recommends adoption of the proposed fees over a three-year phase-in to reflect the cost of rendering services. The fees used are for specific services rendered and will not affect all users of the system on a regular basis, only when these specific services are requested/required.



## **DETAILED CALCULATIONS**

Α	Water Bulk Rate Personnel needed Pay Average length of time Total Labor Total labor and benefits Cost of materials Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 1.00 37.53 2.00 75.05 114.04 - 18.78 13.28 10.23
<u>B</u>	Water Hook Up 5/8" meter Personnel needed Pay (/hr) Over-time pay (additional \$/hr) Average length of time Vehicle length of time Total Labor Total Overtime Total labor and benefits Cost of materials Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 4.00 35.53 - 4.00 4.00 568.41 - 870.64 454.63 75.56 140.08 107.86 <b>1,648.77</b>
<u>C</u>	Inspection Fees Personnel needed Pay Average length of time Total labor	1.00 37.53 1.50 56.29
	Total labor and benefits Cost of materials Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 85.53 - 14.09 9.96 7.67 117.25



<u>E</u>	Turn On/Off After hours  Personnel needed  Pay  Over-time pay (additional \$/hr)  Average length of time  Vehicle length of time  Reg Labor  Total Overtime  Total labor and benefits  Cost of materials  Vehicle cost per trip  Overhead  Margin  Total Fee per application	\$ 1.00 37.53 18.76 2.00 1.50 75.05 37.53 151.57 - 14.09 16.57 12.76
<u>E</u>	Turn On/Off Non-Payment Personnel needed Pay Average length of time Total Labor Total labor and benefits Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 2.00 25.39 1.50 76.18 126.51 14.09 14.06 10.83 165.48
<u>G</u>	Final Read Personnel needed Pay Over-time pay (additional \$/hr) Average length of time Vehicle length of time Total Labor Total Overtime Total labor and benefits Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 1.00 19.02 - 1.50 1.50 28.53 - 52.62 14.09 6.67 5.14 78.52
<u>H</u>	Fire Flow Test Personnel needed Pay Average length of time Total labor Total labor and benefits Cost of materials Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 2.00 37.53 2.00 150.10 228.08 - 18.78 24.69 19.01 290.56
1	OPTIONAL: RETURN Check fee Personnel needed Pay Average length of time Total labor Total labor and benefits Cost of materials Vehicle cost per trip Overhead Margin Total Fee per application	\$ 1.00 21.36 2.00 42.72 73.87 10.00 - 8.39 6.46 <b>98.71</b>