

Ordinance adjusting natural gas rates

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 55-61 of the Code of Ordinances regarding gas rates is revised to delete the struck-through text and insert the underlined text to be effective June 1, 2021.

Sec. 55-61. - Classification of customers and schedules of rates.

(a) *Residential customers.*

~~(1) — Inside city limits:~~

~~a. — Winter rates (from November Cycle 11 through April Cycle 10).~~

	Rate per MCF
Monthly Consumption	Effective January 1, 2016 <u>June 1, 2021</u>
Meter Charge	\$1.27 <u>18.60</u>
First 1-2 MCF (minimum bill)	10.38 <u>0.00</u>
Next 2 MCF All over 2 MCF	5.81 <u>2.25</u>
Next 3 MCF	3.36
Next 4 MCF	3.26
Next 20 MCF	3.17
Next 20 MCF	2.71
All over 50 MCF	2.25

~~Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.~~

~~b. — Summer rates (from April Cycle 11 through November Cycle 10).~~

	Rate per MCF
Monthly Consumption	Effective January 1, 2016
Meter Charge	\$1.27

First 1 MCF (Minimum Bill)	10.38
Next 2 MCF	5.81
Next 3 MCF	3.36
Next 4 MCF	2.53
Next 20 MCF	1.69
Next 20 MCF	1.65
All over 50 MCF	1.50

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Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

(2) Outside city limits:

a. Winter rates (from November Cycle 11 through April Cycle 10).

	Rate per MCF
Monthly Consumption	Effective January 1, 2016
Meter Charge	\$1.53
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	12.80
Next 2 MCF	6.50
Next 3 MCF	3.77
Next 4 MCF	3.66
Next 20 MCF	3.56
Next 20 MCF	3.03
All over 50 MCF	2.52

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Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

~~b. — Summer rates (from April Cycle 11 through November Cycle 10).~~

	Rate per MCF
Monthly Consumption	Effective January 1, 2016
Meter Charge	\$1.53
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	12.80
Next 2 MCF	6.50
Next 3 MCF	3.77
Next 4 MCF	2.82
Next 20 MCF	1.89
Next 20 MCF	1.84
All over 50 MCF	1.68

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

(b) *General rate customers* (commercial, industrial, and institutional rates):

(1) Inside city limits:

	Rate per MCF
Monthly Consumption	Effective January 1, 2016
Meter Charge	\$16.30
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	10.62
Next 2 MCF	5.81
Next 3 MCF	5.42
Next 4 MCF	5.33
Next 40 MCF	5.22

Next 50 MCF	2.25
Next 100 MCF	1.87
Next 100 MCF	1.65
Next 700 MCF	1.57
Next 1,000 MCF	1.35
Next 13,000 MCF	1.22
All over 15,000 MCF	1.16

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

(2) Outside city limits:

	Rate per MCF
<i>Monthly Consumption</i>	<i>Effective January 1, 2016</i>
Meter Charge	\$19.44
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	13.09
Next 2 MCF	6.50
Next 3 MCF	6.07
Next 4 MCF	5.97
Next 40 MCF	5.85
Next 50 MCF	2.52
Next 100 MCF	2.10
Next 100 MCF	1.84
Next 700 MCF	1.76

Next 1,000 MCF	1.52
Next 13,000 MCF	1.37
All over 15,000 MCF	1.30

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

- (c) *Seasonal customers (partial year service) rates.* (All customers who have requested a cutoff and re-connection at the same location or for services to the same premises, including increases or reductions of the same premises, and which cutoff was not necessitated by reason of reconstruction of the building on the premises, shall be classified as seasonal customers, and in lieu of the rates applicable to residential customers, shall be charged and collected the following charge for gas furnished and delivered to the meters by the gas department of the city):

(1) Inside city limits:

	Rate per MCF
<i>Monthly Consumption</i>	<i>Effective January 1, 2016</i>
Meter Charge	\$ 1.27
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	17.23
Next 2 MCF	15.56
Next 3 MCF	11.47
Next 4 MCF	7.40
Next 30 MCF	3.17
Next 20 MCF	2.71
All over 50 MCF	2.25

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

(2) Outside city limits:

	Rate per MCF
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<i>Monthly Consumption</i>	<i>Effective January 1, 2016</i>
Meter Charge	\$ 1.53
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	20.69
Next 2 MCF	17.41
Next 3 MCF	12.85
Next 4 MCF	8.28
Next 20 MCF	3.56
Next 20 MCF	3.03
All over 50 MCF	2.52

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

- (d) *Incentive air cooling and conditioning rate customers rates.* (Limited to customers using less than fifteen thousand (15,000) MCF per month annual average. All general rate customers that have installed total energy or have gas operated air cooling and air conditioning equipment, or both, and have an average used in MCF per month in the seven (7) summer months that exceeds the five (5) winter months in average use, when inspected and approved by the gas department, who request in writing to be billed in the summer months on the summer incentive gas rate schedule starting with Cycle 11 in April and ending with the billing Cycle 10 in November shall be billed on the following rate schedule):

- (1) Inside city limits:

	Rate per MCF
<i>Monthly Consumption</i>	<i>Effective January 1, 2016</i>
Meter Charge	\$16.30
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	10.62
Next 2 MCF	5.81
Next 3 MCF	5.42

Next 4 MCF	4.71
Next 40 MCF	3.97
Next 150 MCF	1.69
Next 100 MCF	1.57
Next 700 MCF	1.35
Next 1,000 MCF	1.22
Next 13,000 MCF	1.16
All over 15,000 MCF	1.11

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

(2) Outside city limits:

	Rate per MCF
Monthly Consumption	Effective January 1, 2016
Meter Charge	\$19.44
First 1 MCF (minimum bill)	13.09
Next 2 MCF	6.50
Next 3 MCF	6.07
Next 4 MCF	5.28
Next 40 MCF	4.45
Next 150 MCF	1.89
Next 100 MCF	1.76
Next 700 MCF	1.52

Next 1,000 MCF	1.37
Next 13,000 MCF	1.30
All over 15,000 MCF	1.24

Note: Rates do not include purchased gas adjustment and sales tax, where applicable.

- (e) *Purchased gas adjustment (PGA).* The rates in subsections (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this section are subject to gas cost adjustments as follows: Rates will be adjusted monthly by the city following the receipt of notice of the cost of gas from the supplier to pass on to the consumer the full amount of such cost adjusted for pressure base and gas loss and unaccounted-for factors. Additional fees and charges paid to the supplier, which are necessary for the city to receive the gas, shall be included in the cost of gas. ~~All general rate customers, who consume over fifteen thousand (15,000) MCF in one (1) month, and who receive gas from the city's distribution system at the same pressure base at which the city receives the gas from its supplier (14.65 psi), shall be billed 2.05 per cent less per MCF for purchased gas adjustment than the general customer rate schedule. Transmission costs including operating, debt service, fixed rate/volume gas resale losses, gas processing and storage will be included in the cost of gas. Unpaid gas costs resulting from price adjustments during extreme daily pricing, gas losses, billing errors, and other events will be distributed monthly during a recovery period and included in future monthly gas costs. During extreme daily market pricing events customers using city gas to generate electricity for the purposes of selling back to the grid or intermittent users with usage profiles outside of their average use may be charged based on their actual daily cost of gas.~~
- (f) *Interruptions.* Deliveries of gas to commercial or industrial customers may be interrupted or curtailed in case of shortage, or threatened shortage, of gas supply from any cause whatsoever, to conserve gas for residential and other human need customers served hereunder, according to all mandatory orders of governmental agencies having jurisdiction.

(Code 1958, §§ 38-46, 38-47; Ord. No. 8552, § 1, 8-2-1967; Ord. No. 9685, § 1, 3-25-1970; Ord. No. 9812, § 1, 6-24-1970; Ord. No. 9883, § 2, 8-12-1970; Ord. No. 11614, § 1, 8-8-1973; Ord. No. 11755, § 1, 10-24-1973; Ord. No. 11867, § 1, 1-9-1974; Ord. No. 12210, § 1, 8-7-1974; Ord. No. 15043, § 1, 8-8-1979; Ord. No. 15701, §§ 1, 3, 8-13-1980; Ord. No. 15950, §§ 1, 3, 12-24-1980; Ord. No. 16451, § 1, 8-12-1981; Ord. No. 16582, § 1, 10-7-1981; Ord. No. 17155, §§ 1, 2, 4, 7-28-1982; Ord. No. 17761, §§ 1, 2, 4, 8-3-1983; Ord. No. 18939, §§ 1, 2, 4, 7-23-1985; Ord. No. 21001, § 1, 10-9-1990; Ord. No. 21439, § 1, 7-21-1992; Ord. No. 21814, § 1(d), 12-14-1993; Ord. No. 23706, § 1, 7-20-1999; Ord. No. 24132, § 1, 7-25-2000; Ord. No. 24531, § 1c, 7-24-2001; Ord. No. 24969, § 4, 7-23-2002; Ord. No. 25396, § 4, 7-22-2003; Ord. No. 025866, § 3, 7-27-2004; Ord. No. 026368, § 3, 7-26-2005; Ord. No. 026900, § 3, 7-25-2006; Ord. No. 027355, § 3, 7-24-2007; Ord. No. 027781, § 5, 7-22-2008; Ord. No. 028256, § 3, 7-28-2009; Ord. No. 028688, § 1, 7-20-2010; Ord. No. 029917, § 3, 7-30-2013; Ord. No. 030242, § 3(Exh. A), 7-29-2014; Ord. No. 030295, § 3, 9-23-2014; Ord. No. 030605, § 2, 9-8-2015)

SECTION 2. Publication shall be made in the official publication of the City of Corpus Christi as required by the City Charter of the City of Corpus Christi.

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the first time and passed to its second reading on this the _____ day of March 2021, by the following vote:

Paulette M. Guajardo	_____	John Martinez	_____
Roland Barrera	_____	Ben Molina	_____
Gil Hernandez	_____	Mike Pusley	_____
Michael Hunter	_____	Greg Smith	_____
Billy Lerma	_____		

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the second time and passed finally on this the _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote:

Paulette M. Guajardo	_____	John Martinez	_____
Roland Barrera	_____	Ben Molina	_____
Gil Hernandez	_____	Mike Pusley	_____
Michael Hunter	_____	Greg Smith	_____
Billy Lerma	_____		

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the _____ day of _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

Rebecca Huerta
City Secretary

Paulette M. Guajardo
Mayor