

ORDINANCE NO. 1776-2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1415-2002, 1497-2007, 1527-2008, 1542-2009, 1569-2010, 1583-2011, 1595-2012, 1603-2013, 1616-2014, 1624-2016, 1655-2017, 1676-2018, 1686-2019, 1695-2020, 1707-2021, 1720-2022, 1743-2023, 1756-2024, AND 1772-2025
FROM CHAPTER 25, "WATER", OF THE CITY OF LAUREL CODE OF ORDINANCES
PERTAINING TO ARTICLE IV. "RATES AND CHARGES",
SECTION 25-53: WATER RATES, INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS

WHEREAS, the Administration and City Council of the City of Laurel, Mississippi have previously adopted ordinances establishing the rates for the water services for the City of Laurel; and

WHEREAS, after a review of Industrial Water Rate accounts conducted by Water Company of America, see **Exhibit A** attached hereto, and in an effort to maintain consistency in applying the Industrial Water Rate, the Administration recommends changing the word "customer" to "meter" in Chapter 25 Water, Article IV Rates and Charges, Section 53 Water Rate Schedule, Industrial Customers

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council that the City of Laurel Code of Ordinances Chapter 25, "Water", Article IV. "Rates and Charges", Section 25-53 Water Rate Schedule "Industrial Customers" be amended as follows:

PRESENTLY, this Section now states:

Section 25-53.

Industrial Customers:

Will be charged a combined water/sewer rate of Four Dollars and eighty-four cents per thousand gallons used (\$4.84/1,000). To qualify for Industrial rates, the customer shall average five million (5,000,000) or more gallons/month for twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the following month's City of Laurel Water Department billing cycle.

Source: Ordinance No. 1415-2002, 9-3-02; Ordinance No. 1497-2007, Art. IV, § 25-53, 8-7-07; Ordinance No. 1527-2008, Art. IV, §25-53, 11-26-08; Ordinance No. 1542-2009, §25-53, 9-8-2009; Ordinance No. 1569-2010, §25-53, 9-21-10 §25-53, 10-18-2011 Ordinance No. 1583-2011, Ordinance No. 1595-2012, 10-4- 2012. Ordinance No. 1603-2012, 10-10-2013, Ordinance No. 1613-2014, 6-18-2014. Ordinance No. 1616-2014, 10-7-2014; Ordinance No. 1634-2016, 3-22-2016; Ordinance No. 1655-2017, 4-4-2017; Ordinance No. 1676-2018. 3-20-2018, Ordinance No. 1686-2018. 3-19-2019, Ordinance No. 1696-2020. 3-17-2020, Ordinance No. 1707-2021, 3-16-2021, Ordinance No. 1743-2023. 4-19-2023, Ordinance No. 1772-2025, 25-53., 07-08-2025

THE REVISED section, with the change noted in bold lettering, would now read as follows:

Section 25-53.

Industrial Customers:

Will be charged a combined water/sewer rate of Four Dollars and ninty-nine cents per thousand gallons used (\$4.99/1,000). To qualify for Industrial rates, the **meter** shall average five million (5,000,000) or more gallons/month for twelve (12) consecutive months immediately preceding the following month's City of Laurel Water Department billing cycle.

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This Ordinance shall take effect from and after thirty (30) days following the second reading of the ordinance.

SO ORDAINED this the 7th day of October, A.D., 2025.

Motion was made by Councilperson Capers, seconded by Councilperson Scruggs that the Second Reading of the foregoing Ordinance be approved.

Upon roll call vote, the result was as follows:

YEAS: Capers, Kelly, Scruggs, Carmichael, Thomas, Amos, Allen
NAYS: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

The President thereupon declared the motion carried and the Second Reading of this ordinance approved this the 7^h day of OCTOBER, A.D., 2025.

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

ATTESTED AND SUBMITTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL ON OCTOBER _____, 2025.

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

APPROVED () DATE_____

VETOED () DATE_____

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK