## Ordinance #2008 - 02

ADDENDUM TO ORDINANCE #2005-16 OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, TEXAS ADDING TO SAID WATER AND SEWER ORDINANCE A PROVISION REQUIRING THAT WATER AND/OR SEWER CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF RIESEL PAY THE MONTHLY BASE RATE FOR SUCH SERVICES REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THERE HAS BEEN WATER OR SEWER USAGE FOR THE MONTH(S).

WHEREAS, the City of Riesel incurs costs relating to meters and lines regardless of whether a customer uses water or sewer services; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Riesel incurs restrictions on its water and sewer systems based on the number of meters in service, whether or not a customer is using water and sewer services of the City of Riesel; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council that all customers pay a base rate at a minimum, regardless of usage; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds this Addendum to the City's Water and Sewer Ordinance to be in the best interest of the City and its citizens.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIESEL, McLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS THAT:

- 1. Section 1.01 of Ordinance #2005-16 is AMENDED to ADD Subsection 5, which provides as follows:
- (5.) The Monthly Base Rate set forth above shall be paid each month if there is no water usage. Failure to pay the Monthly Base Rate will result in the disconnection of water service as set forth in Section 8.03 of this Ordinance, and a \$25.00 reconnect fee will be charged to restore service in accordance with Section 8.03. In addition, a customer who has had an inactive meter disconnected for failure to pay the Monthly Base Rate will be required to pay a water deposit in accordance with Section 3.01(2)(c) of this ordinance to have the meter reconnected if there is not a water deposit associated with that meter on deposit with the City.
- 2. Section 2.01 of Ordinance #2005-16 is AMENDED to ADD Subsection 3, which provides as follows:
- (3) The Monthly Base Rate set forth above shall be paid each month if there is no sewer usage. Failure to pay the Monthly Base Rate will result in disconnection of sewer service as set forth in Section 8.03 of this Ordinance, and a \$25.00 reconnect fee will be charged to restore service in accordance with Section 8.03. In addition, a customer who has had an inactive meter disconnected for failure to pay the Monthly Base Rate will be required to pay a sewer deposit in accordance with Section 3.01(2)(c) of this ordinance to have the meter reconnected if there is not a utility sewer associated with that meter on deposit with the City.
- 3. Customers with inactive meters will begin being billed for the Monthly Base Rate in the first water and sewer billing cycle following the passage of this Addendum. A sixty (60) day grace period will be given from the date of the first billing before disconnection procedures under this Ordinance are instituted. Thereafter, the standard payment terms under this Ordinance shall apply. "Inactive Meter" as used herein means a meter that is connected to the City's system, but from which the customer is not drawing water, or to which a customer is not flowing sewage.
- 4. Except as to the addition of Subsections 1.01(5) and 2.01(3) as set forth above, the remainder of Ordinance #2005-16 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

ENACTED BY THE RIESEL CITY COUNCIL on this 4th day of March, 2008.

David Guenat, Jr.

Mayor, City of Riesel

Attested:

City Secretary

Robin Miguez