

**WATER SERVICE CONNECTION FEES**

UTILITY RATE SCHEDULE W-5

**A. GENERAL:**

1. TERRITORY:

This Rate Schedule applies anywhere the City of Palo Alto provides Water Service.

**B. FEES:**

Plan review fees must be paid prior to permit approval by the Utilities Department. Construction or connection fees must be paid prior to the scheduling of any construction. Depending on material availability and scheduling constraints, Utility Service will be installed between 30 and 40 days following receipt of full payment. Regular work hours are 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Any work the City deems necessary to be performed during non-regular work hours shall be charged 1.15 times the stated fee to recover the overtime labor cost. These conditions include but are not limited to performing work on arterial streets, in business districts, in front of major commercial establishments, and near schools. Any work required to be performed during non-regular work hours where the work is scheduled at the Customer’s convenience shall be charged 1.25 times the stated fee to recover the overtime labor cost. All invoices are valid for 90 days from date of issuance.

1. PLAN REVIEW:

New commercial building or remodeling permit valuation greater than \$200,000 .....	\$3,072.00
New subdivision residential unit (Water only) .....	\$348.00/unit
System extension 8-inch high-density polyethylene (HDPE) Water main .....	\$12.00/ft

2. DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM EXTENSION CHARGE:

City standard 8-inch main, Charge per foot .....	\$206.00
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3. SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES:

Water Service: Domestic, Irrigation, and Fire

<u>Size</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-inch connection .....	\$4,863.00
4-inch connection .....	\$7,156.00
6-inch connection .....	\$8,137.00

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8-inch connection.....	\$9,469.00
10-inch connection.....	\$10,625.00

Additional Domestic or Irrigation Services

For Service installations connecting to a pre-existing, larger Service.

2-inch connection.....	\$3,122.00
4-inch connection.....	\$4,449.00
6-inch connection.....	\$4,842.00

Combination Domestic or Irrigation Water Service and Fire Service

For requests of combination domestic and fire Water Services, two Service connection Charges will apply: the Charge for connection of a fire Service and the Charge for domestic or irrigation Service installation connection to a larger Service. Approval from the Utilities Department is required for combination water service connections.

Master Water Service

Approval by the Director of Utilities is required for a connection that serves domestic Water Service and fire protection through a detector Meter. The Charge for master Water Service will be based on the Engineering Manager’s, Water-Gas-Wastewater, estimate of the total costs, including: materials, labor, metering not listed in Section B(4), and other costs incidental to the installation.

For Service connections of 4-inch through 8-inch sizes and Meter sizes of 4-inch through 6-inch, the new owner must provide and install a concrete vault with meter reading lid covers to house Meters and other required control equipment in accordance with the Utilities Department’s specifications.

An approved backflow prevention device with bypass assemblies must be provided by owner on all fire Services.

4. METER CHARGES:

5/8-inch x 3/4-inch E-Meter.....	\$698.00
1-inch E-Meter .....	\$862.00
1 1/2-inch E-Meter .....	\$1,444.00

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2-inch E-Meter .....	\$1,635.00
4-inch Compound Meter .....	\$5,740.00
6-inch Compound Meter .....	\$8,051.00
AMR Encoder Receiver Transmitter .....	\$108.00

5. **ADDITIONAL METERS ON CONNECTION:**

With new connection .....	\$1,264.00
On existing connection .....	\$1,866.00

6. **RELOCATION OF FACILITIES:**

Approved relocation of Service, hydrants, or other facilities will be done at the cost of the person requesting the re-location. Payment of estimated cost is required before relocation work begins.

7. **CAPACITY FEES:**

Capacity fees will be charged for new Utility Services and added demand on existing Services

Domestic:

5/8-inch x 3/4-inch E-Meter.....	\$5,000.00
1-inch E-Meter .....	\$9,400.00
1 1/2-inch E-Meter .....	\$18,850.00
2-inch E-Meter .....	\$56,250.00
4-inch Compound Meter .....	estimate at \$125/FU; minimum 5,000 FU (5,000 FU is mid-range operating capacity of 4-inch Meter)
6-inch Compound Meter .....	estimate at \$125/FU minimum 7,000 FU (7,000 FU is mid-range operating capacity of 6-inch Meter)

Added demand on an existing Water Service will be calculated at \$125.00/FU

Note: FU is fixture unit (1 FU=15gpd)

Fire Service Capacity Fees:

2-inch .....	\$750.00
4-inch .....	\$9,000.00
6-inch .....	\$22,530.00
8-inch .....	\$43,080.00

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10-inch .....\$69,510.00

If a Customer is upgrading the capacity of an existing Service, then the capacity Charge will be the difference between the new Service size and the existing Service size.

**C. OTHER REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS**

1. **INSTALLATION:**

The City of Palo Alto installs all Water Services unless directed otherwise and approved by City of Palo Alto Utilities Department.

2. **SERVICE CHARGES:**

(A) Additional Service connections are available with payment of an additional Service connection Charge as shown in Section B.

(B) Replacement of Service connection made necessary because of ordinary wear and deterioration will be made without Charge. Replacement due to inadequacy because of additional demand or load will be charged as a new Service connection.

3. **INSTALLATION UNDER UNUSUAL CONDITIONS:**

(A) Any condition which, in the opinion of the Engineering Manager, Water-Gas-Wastewater will result in a cost higher than the Charges set forth in Section B will be classified as unusual. The Charge for an unusual installation will be based on Engineering Manager, Water-Gas-Wastewater's estimate of the total costs of all materials, labor, and other costs incidental to the installation.

(B) In the event Water Service to a Premise is requested and insufficient capacity exists to provide such Service, the Applicant shall bear the total cost for enlarging the Distribution System to accommodate serving the Applicant. The Engineering Manager, Water-Gas-Wastewater may require the Applicant to make arrangements for the design and construction of said expansion in accordance with City standards and specifications. Alternatively, the Engineering Manager, Water-Gas-Wastewater may elect for City forces or contractors to design and install respectively such facilities at the Applicant's expense.

4. **EXCEPTIONS:**

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- (A) Water Service Areas 3 & 4, connections served directly from supply main: The Distribution System Charges (Section B) will be based on a maximum frontage of 660 feet. This exception applies to single applications for Service and does not apply to subdivisions or tracts.
- (B) The subdivision developer will furnish and install the Water system at his or her expense and in accordance with City's specifications.

**D. OTHER SERVICES:**

1. 2 METER MANIFOLD:

(A) 2-inch .....\$724.00

2. ABANDONMENT:

(A) Small Service 2-inch and less .....\$2,653.00

(B) Large Service more than 2-inch .....\$3,715.00

3. METER INSTALLATION:

Charges for large Meter installations by third parties, i.e. contractors, developers, etc.

8-inch to 12-inch Meters .....\$3,235.00

4. FIRE HYDRANT:

(A) Install new hydrant without lateral.....\$2,552.00

(B) Install new hydrant with lateral.....\$12,840.00

(C) Relocation behind curb (up to 5 feet) .....\$6,841.00

Relocations more than 5 feet will require a new lateral and the existing lateral will be disconnected and abandoned at the main.

5. TAPPING THE WATER MAIN FOR CONTRACTOR INSTALLED SERVICES:

(A) Tap Water main for 2-inch Service.....\$1,649.00

(B) Tap Water main for 4-inch Service.....\$2,162.00

(C) Tap Water main for 6-inch Service.....\$3,288.00

(D) Tap Water main for 8-inch Service.....\$4,498.00

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6. OTHER FEES:

The following fees will apply to utility work performed by outside contractors:

- (A) Engineering fee (per hour) .....\$151.00
- (B) Utility inspection fee (per hour):
  - i. Inspection during regular work hours (M-F 8 AM to 5 PM).....\$118.00
  - ii. Inspection during non-regular work hours.....\$139.00
  - iii. Inspection during non-regular work hours for Customer’s convenience.....\$159.00
- (C) Engineering and inspection for new 2-inch Service .....\$1,618.00
- (D) Engineering and inspection for new 2-inch Service connected to larger Service.....\$1,078.00
- (E) Engineering and inspection for new 4-inch to 8-inch Service .....\$2,426.00
- (F) Engineering and inspection for new hydrant and Service.....\$2,426.00
- (G) Engineering and inspection for abandonment of 2-inch and smaller Service .....\$809.00
- (H) Engineering and inspection for abandonment of 3-inch and larger Service .....\$1,078.00
- (I) Engineering and inspection for new 8-inch main (per linear foot).....\$27.00

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