Introduced May 8, 2007, by Councilman Kingston, seconded by Councilman Canada, (by request of Administration)

Item No. 07-05-2652

ORDINANCE NO. 3404

An ordinance amending Chapter 28 Utilities, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Slidell, relative to water tap and water meter rates as well as fines for damaged meters and meter boxes.

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell desires to increase the cost for tap and meter fees to cover the cost to the city at present; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell desires to increase the fines for damaged meters and meter boxes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby amend Chapter 28 Utilities as follows:

Sec. 28-25 is amended to provide for increased utility connection fees.

Sec. 28-25. Work done by city in making connections; fee.

Delete paragraph "(a)" in its entirety and replace with the following:

"(a) The water connection from the system to the property line shall be made by the City at the following rates.

Size of Tap	Cost of Tap
3/4"	\$ 575.00
1"	600.00
2"	675.00
3"	900.00
4"	1,200.00
6"	1,400.00
8"	1,700.00

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Cost of Meters With Couplings

Size of Tap	Cost of Tap
3/4"	\$ 275.00
1"	400.00
2"	875.00
3"	2,800.00
4"	3,800.00
6" U.L. Fireline Meter	9,500.00
8" U.L. Fireline Meter	To be determined by the City and is dependent on location

Delete paragraph "(b)" in its entirety and replace with the following:

(b) The sewer connection fee shall be \$650.00, plus a \$60.00 set-up

fee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby amend Chapter 28 Utilities as follows:

Sec. 28-33 is amended to provide for increased fines for obstruction or damage to meter boxes.

Sec. 28-33. Tampering with system.

Delete paragraph "(c)" in its entirety and replace with the following:

"(c) Obstruction or damage to meter boxes. Meter boxes are to remain free of obstruction and shall not be damaged. With the

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approval of the director of finance or the city engineer, damage or obstruction of water meters may cause the resident to be assessed additional charges as follows:

Broken meter tops	\$75.00
Broken valves	50.00
Broken locks	25.00
Broken lens	75.00
Oil or foreign material in box	100.00
Cars blocking meter box	50.00
(24 hours from date	
and time to clear)	
Trash piled up on meter boxes	50.00
Unauthorized Meter Turn on	150.00
Parking in No Parking Zone	Per City Court

ADOPTED this 12th day of June, 2007.

Raymond H. Canada
Vice President of the Council

Councilman, District E

Ben O. Merris

Mayor

Thomas P. Reeves
Council Administrator

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