

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-18

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RATES AND CHARGES
FOR THE WATERWORKS UTILITY**

WHEREAS, the St. Paul Waterworks (“Waterworks”), in St. Paul, Indiana (“Town”) operates a waterworks utility for the benefit of the ratepayers within the Town and in the surrounding area;

WHEREAS, various ordinances have been adopted from time to time regarding policies and procedures for the waterworks and the establishment of water rates, fees and charges;

WHEREAS, the existing rates, fees and charges are set forth in the earlier ordinances, which most recently reduced rates in 2022;

WHEREAS, the Town has caused a report to be completed by Therber, Brock & Associates, LLP. (“Report”), and based on that Report, the Town finds that the water user fees are inadequate to pay for the costs of providing water service, including compliance with State and County laws, rules and procedures; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Town Council that the existing rates are inadequate to fund the operations of the waterworks utility, and therefore should be amended and modified as provided for in this ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. PAUL, as follows:

1. WATER RATES – for use of and service rendered by the waterworks, each user shall be charged in an amount based upon a fee, schedule, as shown in Appendix A (attached).

All other provisions of the Town’s current water rates and charges not amended by this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

The provisions herein, when approved and adopted, shall be effective as soon as practicable.

SO ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Town Council

ATTEST:

By _____
Clerk Treasurer

APPENDIX A

I	<u>Metered Rates</u>	<u>Rates [1]</u>	<u>Rates</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
A	<u>Monthly Water Volume Rate - Per Month</u>				
	All Gallons (per 1000 gallons)				
	First 2,000 Gallons	\$ 8.97	\$ 13.58	\$ 4.61	51.39%
	Next 3,000 Gallons	5.24	7.94	\$ 2.70	51.53%
	Next 4,000 Gallons	2.99	4.53	1.54	51.51%
	Over 9,000 Gallons	2.25	3.41	1.16	51.56%
B	<u>Minimum Charge Per Month</u>				
	5/ 8 inch water meter	\$ 17.94	\$ 27.17	\$ 9.23	51.45%
	3/ 4 inch water meter	17.94	27.17	9.23	51.45%
	1 inch water meter	24.67	37.36	12.69	51.44%
	1-1/2 inch water meter	38.87	58.87	20.00	51.45%
	2 inch water meter	52.32	79.24	26.92	51.45%
	3 inch water meter	83.71	126.77	43.06	51.44%
	4 inch water meter	128.54	194.67	66.13	51.45%
	6 inch water meter	240.67	364.48	123.81	51.44%
C	<u>Hydrant Rental - Per Hydrant - Per Annum</u>				
	Fire Hydrants - Public & Private	\$ 417.50	\$ 632.28	\$ 214.78	51.44%
D	<u>Availability Fee</u>				
	<u>Per EDU</u>				
	Per Sale	\$ 1,380.40	\$ 1,380.40	\$ -	0.00%
II	<u>Non Recurring Charges</u>				
E	<u>Customer Deposit</u>				
	Water Deposit	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -	0.00%
F	<u>Water Connection Charge</u>				
	Per Connection	Actual Cost of Connection But Not Less Than \$400.00			
G	<u>Water Penalties</u>				
	Added on the 17th of the Month	10% of the Amount Due			
H	<u>Water Connection / Reconnection Charge</u>				
	Disconnection	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	0.00%
	Reconnection	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	0.00%