

## **New Commercial Account Information**

The City of Gardner provides water, sewer, and electric service for most residents and businesses in Gardner. To obtain assistance with billing, hook-ups, disconnections or other utility questions, contact Customer Service at (913) 856-7535 or [email](#).

### **Commercial Deposit and Service Fees**

A deposit equivalent to two months' average bill will be required for all new commercial accounts or any old commercial account that has been delinquent within the preceding two years, as provided by K.S.A. 12-822. The City Administrator may waive the deposit requirement. The deposit requirement for new accounts will be estimated by a representative of the City and be subject to an equitable adjustment after six months of billing. At least one-third of the deposit must be paid at time of applying for utility service with the remainder being paid in the first two billing cycles. Commercial users who have paid their utility bills for a period of at least one year and have not had delinquent utility bills or problems can be eligible for consideration of return of meter deposits with the City. Refunds shall be issued the billing cycle following completion of the one-year requirement. The amount of deposit refund shall be reflected as a credit on the next applicable billing cycle. If a customer is disconnected for nonpayment and does not have a deposit with the City, a deposit will be required before reconnection of service.

The service fee is a connection charge of \$10.00 per service or \$15.00 for both water and electric. Transfer customers will also be subject to the same connection fee

### **Billing Cycles--Mail Dates**

Depending on where you live in town, your utility bill will be mailed on either the 7th, 17th, & 27th of each month for the previous month's service.

### **Payment of Bills**

All payments for utility services are due within twenty days of the billing date. The bill must be paid in full by this date to avoid a 10% penalty. Failure to make payment within 7 days of this date will result in discontinued service. Utility bills are payable by mail, drop box, [online](#) or in person at City Hall. Payment may be made by cash, check, money order, visa or mastercard.

Drop boxes for utility payments are located at the following locations:

- Conestoga Mobile Home Park - 1199 East Santa Fe (near Clubhouse)
- Consentino's Price Chopper - 830 E. Main Street (inside by Customer Service desk)
- Central Bank of the Midwest - 109 E. Main Street (located next to ATM)
- City Hall - 120 E. Main Street (located on the east side of the building)
- Gardner Municipal Airport

### **Temporary Disconnections**

Customers requesting that service be temporarily disconnected will be charged a disconnect fee of \$10.00 per service or \$15.00 for both services. Payment of a regular connection fee will also be required when service is reconnected.

## **Water Rates**

All customers of water supplied by the water distribution system of the City shall pay for this service in accordance with one of the following rates:

All persons, firms or corporations having a connection with the City of Gardner water system shall be charged a monthly water service charge for each meter by which they are served and a water usage charge in accordance with the following rates. When multiple persons, firms or corporations are served by one water meter, a monthly water service charge shall be billed for each residential dwelling unit

### **A. Water Users Inside Corporate Limits**

1. Monthly Service Charge \$13.45 Per Month  
(prorated by number of days of service in the month for new customers)
2. First 6,000 Gallons \$ 5.99 Per 1,000 Gallons
3. 6,001 to 10,000 Gallons \$ 6.60 Per 1,000 Gallons
4. 10,001 to 14,000 Gallons \$ 6.89 Per 1,000 Gallons
5. 14,001 to 18,000 Gallons \$ 7.20 Per 1,000 Gallons
6. 18,001 or more Gallons \$ 7.53 Per 1,000 Gallons

### **B. Water Users Outside Corporate Limits**

1. Monthly Service Charge \$24.20 Per Month  
(prorated by number of days of service in the month for new customers)
2. First 6,000 Gallons \$ 7.82 Per 1,000 Gallons
3. 6,001 to 10,000 Gallons \$ 8.60 Per 1,000 Gallons
4. 10,001 to 14,000 Gallons \$ 8.99 Per 1,000 Gallons
5. 14,001 to 18,000 Gallons \$ 9.39 Per 1,000 Gallons
6. 18,001 or more Gallons \$ 9.81 Per 1,000 Gallons

### **C. Coin Operated Bulk Water Sales**

Rate Per 1,000 Gallons \$ 7.50

### **D. Hydrant Meters**

1. Monthly Service Charge \$ 27.29
2. Rate Per 1000 Gallons \$ 7.40
3. A deposit of \$500.00 is required to obtain a hydrant meter. The deposit will be refunded after the hydrant meter is returned in good condition to the City of Gardner and all charges are paid in full.

## **Electric Rates**

### **Commercial Without Demand**

The Commercial Without Demand Rate is available to any customer utilizing electric service at one point of delivery for which no specific rate is provided.

1. Service Charge - \$7.35; and
2. \$0.11152 per kilowatt hour
3. Plus the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)

Customers choosing the Commercial Without Demand rate must pay this rate for a minimum of twelve (12) consecutive months to be eligible for the Commercial with Demand rate.

### **Commercial Electric Heat**

The Commercial Electric Heat rate is available to commercial, industrial and institutional customers utilizing electric heat or add-on heat pumps.

The following monthly rates, fees and charges shall apply for the May, June, July, August and September electric meter readings.

1. \$5.30 per kilowatt hour of billing demand; and
2. Service Charge - \$7.35; and
3. \$0.04198 per kilowatt hour
4. Plus the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)

The following monthly rates, fees and charges shall apply for the October, November, December, January, February, March and April meter readings.

1. \$5.30 per kilowatt hour of billing demand; and
2. Service Charge - \$7.35; and
3. \$0.03894 per kilowatt hour
4. Plus the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)

### **Commercial with Demand**

The Commercial with Demand Rate is available to any customer utilizing electric service at one point of delivery for which no specific rate is provided.

1. Service Charge - \$16.70; and
2. \$14.06 per kilowatt for all kilowatts of billing demand;
3. \$0.05835 per kilowatt hour for the first 5,000 kilowatt hours; and
4. All over 5,000 kilowatt hours at \$0.05109 per kilowatt hour
5. Plus the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)

Customers choosing the Commercial with Demand rate must pay this rate for a minimum of twelve (12) consecutive months to be eligible for the Commercial Without Demand rate.

Plus the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)

## Large Commercial

Eligibility for the Large Commercial rate is limited to commercial, industrial and institutional customers that each billing period have a demand of two hundred (200) kW or greater and a load factor of fifty (50) percent or greater. Failure to maintain the minimum demand or load factor during any billing period shall make the customer ineligible for the Large Commercial rate. A customer disqualified from paying the Large Commercial rate may become eligible to resume the Large Commercial rate after meeting the minimum demand and load factor requirements for twelve (12) consecutive months.

1. Service Charge - \$22.26; and
2. \$14.06 per kilowatt for all kilowatts of billing demand;
3. \$0.05708 per kilowatt hour for the first 5,000 kilowatt hours; and
4. All over 5,000 kilowatt hours at \$0.05053 per kilowatt hour
5. Plus the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)

**Determination of Demand:** The electric demand of a customer shall be measured in Kilowatts (kW). The demand shall be determined by demand instruments or, at the City's option, by demand tests and shall be the highest demand indicated during any fifteen (15) to thirty (30) minute interval during the billing period.

All customers of electrical current supplied by the electric distribution system of the City shall pay for this service in accordance with one of the following rates:

### Estimation of Bills

In case any meter shall stop or for any reason fail to register or upon failure to read the meter, then the City of Gardner may estimate the monthly bill for electric to be based on the average quantity consumed during the preceding 12 months.

### Renewable Energy

- An owner or operator of a qualified electric energy generation unit which is powered by a renewable energy resource as defined by Kansas State Statute K.S. 66-1, 185 (2005) and has an electric generating capacity of not more than ten kilowatts, may apply for parallel generation services with Gardner Electric Division.
- If all technical requirements are met, the Application for Interconnection is accepted by Gardner Electric Division and an Interconnection Agreement is approved by the Electric Utility Commission, the Customer-generator shall be allowed to interconnect to Gardner Electric Division's electric system.
- The Customer-generator shall be fairly and equitably compensated for energy supplied to Gardner Electric Division. Gardner Electric Division shall measure the Customer-generator produced electricity fed to the grid and provide compensation to the Customer-generator on a monthly basis. Such compensation shall be recalculated and updated on April 1st of each year at the rate of 150% times GED's average cost of energy purchased for the previous five (5) years.
- For a copy of our Interconnection Standards, [click here](#).
- For more information, contact Gardner Utilities at 913-856-7256

To view the Municipal Code [click here](#)