

Ordinance No. 2025- 5

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-1-7 OF THE CITY CODE OF
ORDINANCES**

*BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIRDEN, ILLINOIS, AS
FOLLOWS:*

SECTION 1: AMENDMENT OF SECTION 7-1-7

Section 7-1-7(A) of the City Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as set forth on Exhibit
1 hereto.

SECTION 2: Effective Date; Publication

This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage, approval and publication as provided
by law. The Clerk shall forthwith publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

PASSED this 2ND day of JUNE 2025


MAYOR

ATTEST:


Clerk

AYES:

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NAYS:

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PASSED:

YES

APPROVED:

YES

ABSENT:

NONE

ORDINANCE CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF MACOUPIN)

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Virden, Illinois.

I do further certify that the ordinance attached hereto is a full, true, and exact copy of Ordinance No. 2025-5, adopted by the City Council of said City on the 2nd day of JUNE, 2025, said Ordinance being entitled:

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I do further certify that prior to the making of this certificate, the said Ordinance was spread at length upon the permanent records of said City, where it now appears and remains.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 2nd day of JUNE, 2025


Clerk

1. **Water Access Charge:** From and after July 1, 2025, all water customers shall pay a monthly access charge, as follows:

- a. For service within the City limits, eleven dollars (\$11.00).
- b. For service outside of the City limits, sixteen dollars (\$16.00).

2. **Water Rates:** From and after July 1, 2025, in addition to the connection or access charge, all water customers shall pay a water use rate as follows:

- a. For water service inside the City limits, the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents (\$1.15) per one hundred (100) gallons, or any part thereof, of water used each month; and
- b. For water service outside the City limits, the sum of one dollar and twenty seven cents (\$1.27) per one hundred (100) gallons, or any part thereof, of water used each month.

3. **Senior Rates:** All water service for customers who are sixty two (62) years or older, at the residence where they reside within the City limits, shall not be required to pay the water connection or access charge provided in subsection A1a of this section if the gross household income of all the residents of their household does not exceed sixty percent (60%) of the circuit breaker amount. Rates for customers eligible for service under this section shall be calculated as follows: the cost of water paid by the city for one hundred (100) gallons shall be rounded up to the next penny, and the rate paid by customers under this section shall be that cost plus five cents (\$0.05) per one hundred (100) gallons.

4. **Estimated Charges:**

a. Whenever any meter, by reason of its being out of repair or from any cause, fails to properly register the water passing through the same, the consumer shall be charged the average charge of the previous three (3) months usage. If no record of the previous three (3) months exists, then it shall be the duty of the Water Clerk to estimate the amount of water consumed during the time the meter fails to operate, and the consumer shall be charged with such estimated amount. Bills may be estimated whenever it is impossible to read the meters during inclement weather.

b. In the event of a leak, the customer shall be charged the current rate for the amount of water that equals the average usage of the three (3) previous months and the balance of the water at a rate equal to the City's cost at that time. If two (2) or more leaks occur in a twelve (12) month period, the total credit will not exceed the credit for the largest leak.

July 2023

City of Virden