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Bill No. 232

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 25-232

A By-law to Establish the 2026 Water and Wastewater/Storm Fees and Charges for Services, Activities and Use of Property Provided by the City of Hamilton

WHEREAS sections 9, 10 and 391 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, authorize a municipality to pass by-laws imposing fees or charges for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of the municipality and for the use of the municipality's property, including property under its control;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to sections 8, 9 and 10 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, a municipality may pass by-laws respecting public assets of the municipality acquired for the purpose of exercising its authority under the *Municipal Act, 2001* or any other Act, and respecting services that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public, including the provision of public utilities such as water and sewage, as defined in the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

AND WHEREAS the City of Hamilton wishes to establish and maintain in one by-law a list of all of its water and wastewater/storm services and activities and the use of property subject to fees or charges, as well as the amount of each fee or charge;

AND WHEREAS on the 24th day of November 2025, the General Issues Committee (Budget) considered report FCS25050, 2026 Water Budget and authorized the 2026 water and wastewater/storm fees charges set out herein;

AND WHEREAS notice of the 2026 water and wastewater/storm fees, and charges set out herein has been given in accordance with the provisions of the City of Hamilton's Public Notice Policy By-law No. 07-351.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. The water and wastewater/storm fees and charges effective January 1, 2026 identified under Schedule "A" attached hereto, shall be imposed by the City of Hamilton for those services, activities and use of property provided by the City of Hamilton.

2. The fees and charges identified as the “2026 Approved User Fees and Charges” on Schedule “B” attached hereto, shall be imposed by the City of Hamilton for those services, activities and use of property provided by the City of Hamilton and identified as the “Service Offered” on the said Schedule “B”.
3.
 - (1) The fees and charges approved and imposed under sections 1 and 2 are subject to any adjustment authorized by a statute, regulation or by-law in respect of the calculation or administration of a fee or charge, such adjustment to be effective as provided for in such statute, regulation or by-law.
 - (2) Despite sections 1 and 2, any fee or charge:
 - (a) authorized by a by-law that comes into effect on the same or a later date than this By-law; or
 - (b) included in a valid agreement entered into by the City of Hamilton and one or more other parties,shall be the approved and imposed fee or charge for the service, activity or use of property specified.
4. The fees and charges listed in Schedules “A” and “B” attached hereto are subject to the Harmonized Sales Tax (H.S.T.), where applicable.
5. The fees and charges imposed by this by-law are due and payable:
 - (a) at the time of the transaction for which the fee or charge is imposed; or
 - (b) if subsection 5(a) is not applicable, upon the due date specified in any invoice issued by the City of Hamilton or by any other body acting on behalf of the City of Hamilton to any person in connection with a fee or charge imposed by this By-law.
6. Late payment charges shall be added to all unpaid fees and charges as follows:
 - (a) for the fees and charges set out in Schedule “A” and Schedule “B” attached hereto, when billed by a third party on behalf of the City of Hamilton, a rate of 1.5% per month calculated daily on any overdue amount, or such other rate as is approved by Council;
 - (b) for the fees and charges set out in Schedule “A” and Schedule “B” attached hereto, when billed by the City of Hamilton, the current prime rate plus 2%, adjusted quarterly, on any overdue amount, or such other rate as is approved by Council.

7. All unpaid fees or charges imposed by this By-law on a person are a debt due to the City of Hamilton and the City of Hamilton may take such action as it considers necessary and as permitted by law to collect the debt.
8. Where all or part of a fee or charge imposed by this By-law relates to fees and charges for the supply of a public utility, as defined in the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and remains unpaid, such fee or charge may be added to the tax roll for the property to which the public utility was supplied, and collected in like manner as municipal taxes.
9. Where all or part of a fee or charge imposed by this By-law relates to fees and charges other than those set out in section 8 of this By-law, and remains unpaid, such fee or charge may be added to the tax roll for the property for which all of the owners are responsible for payment of the fee or charge, and collected in like manner as municipal taxes.
10. Each provision of this By-law, including Schedules “A” and “B”, continues in force until amended, repealed or replaced (by by-law or by a resolution of the Council of the City of Hamilton confirmed by by-law) and for greater certainty this includes continuing in force after December 31, 2026 until amended, repealed or replaced.
11. This By-law shall be read and applied in accordance with the Hamilton Water Works By-law, including without limitation Part 11 thereof, and any matters or things contained in the Hamilton Water Works By-law shall:
 - (a) Prevail over the contents of this By-law in the event of any conflict or inconsistency; and,
 - (b) Incorporate any provisions or other requirements set forth therein in relation to Fees and Charges which are contained within the Hamilton Water Works By-law, but which are not in this By-law.
12. Should any part of this By-law, including any part of Schedule “A” and/or Schedule “B” attached hereto, be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or of no force, it is the stated intention of Council that such invalid part of this By-law shall be severable from this By-law and that the remainder of this By-law, including the remainder of Schedule “A” and/or “B”, as applicable, shall continue to operate and be in force.
13. Schedules “A” and “B” are attached to and form part of this By-law.
14. This By-law may be referred to as the “Water and Wastewater/Storm Fees and Charges By-law”.

CITY OF HAMILTON
2026 WATER AND WASTEWATER/STORM FEES AND CHARGES
Effective January 1, 2026

A) Daily Water & Wastewater/Storm Fixed Charges

The fixed daily charge is not related to the direct costs of consumption and are not dependent upon or related to the amount of consumption incurred. The fixed charges are intended to offset the fixed costs of maintaining the water, wastewater and storm systems.

Meter Size	Water Rate	Wastewater/ Storm Rate
15 mm	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.63
16 mm	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.63
20 mm	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.63
21 mm	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.63
25 mm	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.58
38 mm	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.15
50 mm	\$ 4.48	\$ 5.04
75 mm	\$ 8.96	\$ 10.08
100 mm	\$ 14.00	\$ 15.75
150 mm	\$ 28.00	\$ 31.50
200 mm	\$ 44.80	\$ 50.40
250 mm	\$ 64.40	\$ 72.45
300 mm	\$ 95.20	\$ 107.10

B) Metered Water Consumption Charges

Water consumption shall be charged on a per cubic metre basis at the rates indicated in the table below. The total monthly Water Consumption Charge is the sum of usage in all blocks at the rate for each block.

		Residential Meter Size <25mm	Residential Meter Size =>25mm and Commercial, Institutional & Industrial
Consumption Block	Monthly Water Consumption (m3)	Rate (\$/m3)	Rate (\$/m3)
1	0-10	1.21	2.42
2	>10	2.42	2.42

C) Wastewater/Storm Treatment Charges

Wastewater/Storm Treatment Charges are based on metered water consumption and the cost of wastewater collection and treatment, and stormwater management. Charges are on a per cubic metre basis at the rates indicated in the table below. The total monthly Wastewater/Storm Treatment Charge is the sum of usage in all blocks at the rate for each block.

		Residential Meter Size <25mm	Residential Meter Size =>25mm and Commercial, Institutional & Industrial
Treatment Block	Monthly Water Consumption (m3)	Rate (\$/m3)	Rate (\$/m3)
1	0-10	1.31	2.61
2	>10	2.61	2.61

D) Non-Metered Annual Water & Wastewater/Storm Rate

Flat Rate Water Customers Annual Rate: \$883.30

Flat Rate Wastewater/Storm Customers Annual Rate: \$952.65

Combined Flat Rate Water & Wastewater/Storm Customers Annual Rate: \$1,835.95

City of Hamilton - 2026 Private Fire Line Rates

This service shall consist of permanent unmetered connections to the main for the purpose of supplying water to private fire protection systems such as automatic sprinkler systems, standpipes and private hydrants. This service shall also include reasonable quantities of water used for testing check valves and other backflow protection devices.

Unmetered Service

Size of Connection		Monthly Rate
mm	inches	
25	1	\$ 5.25
38	1.5	\$ 12.07
50	2	\$ 20.99
75	3	\$ 47.23
100	4	\$ 83.96
150	6	\$ 188.91
200	8	\$ 335.84
250	10	\$ 335.84
300	12	\$ 335.84

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Dept. By-Law #	Dept ID	Account #	Ref #	Service Offered	2026 Approved Fee	HST (y/n)	2026 including HST (if applicable)
				WATER DISTRIBUTION			
23-235	510220	47220	1	Water Meter Permit Fee Note: Charged for first-time meter installations. Includes supply and installation of water meter and remote reading device by the City/meter contractor and related inspection. Approval by the Supervisor of Meter Operations is required for new installation of alternative meter types not shown below.			
			1a)	16mm (5/8"x3/4") Displacement	\$359.70	n	\$359.70
			1b)	20mm (3/4") Displacement	\$404.60	n	\$404.60
			1c)	21mm (3/4"x1") Displacement	\$404.60	n	\$404.60
			1d)	25mm (1") Displacement	\$559.40	n	\$559.40
			1e)	38mm (1.5") Displacement	\$1,194.06	n	\$1,194.06
			1f)	50mm (2") Ultrasonic	\$1,991.72	n	\$1,991.72
			1g)	75mm (3") Ultrasonic	\$4,655.94	n	\$4,655.94
			1h)	150mm (6") Ultrasonic	\$8,578.17	n	\$8,578.17
			1i)	100mm (4") Ultrasonic	\$5,167.16	n	\$5,167.16
			1j)	200mm (8") Ultrasonic	\$12,796.21	n	\$12,796.21
			1k)	250mm (10") Ultrasonic	\$15,881.81	n	\$15,881.81
			1n)	Radio Remote Read Equipment Installation	\$304.62	n	\$304.62
			1o)	Radio Remote Read Equipment Installation in Chamber	\$1,145.70	n	\$1,145.70
23-235	510220	45519	2	Water Meter Removal Fee Note: Cost to remove a meter prior to the building being demolished and/or the water service being decommissioned or abandoned. Failure to have the meter removed prior to the building being demolished will incur a meter replacement cost charge. <i>Does not include a turn water off fee, which is required and charged separately as per Section 14 of this schedule.</i>			
			2a)	16mm (5/8"x3/4") Displacement	\$137.71	y	\$155.61
			2b)	20mm (3/4") Displacement	\$137.71	y	\$155.61
			2c)	21mm (3/4"x1") Displacement	\$137.71	y	\$155.61
			2d)	25mm (1") Displacement	\$137.71	y	\$155.61
			2e)	38mm (1.5") - 250mm (10") Meters (cost depends on size, labour, and meter location)	Cost + 10% OH		Cost + 10% OH
23-235	510220	45519	3	Water Meter Inspection Services Note: Cost for customer requested service relating to meter investigation			
			3a)	Regular Hours Inspection	\$138.23	y	\$156.20
			3b)	After Hours Inspection	\$182.60	y	\$206.34
			3c)	Same Day Inspection	\$309.33	y	\$349.54
23-235	510220	45608	4	Replacement Cost for Lost Meter Note: Cost to replace a meter that has been lost, stolen or damaged. Includes meter, installation and administrative costs.			
			4a)	15mm (5/8") Displacement	\$284.45	y	\$321.43
			4b)	16mm (5/8"x3/4") Displacement	\$284.45	y	\$321.43
			4c)	20mm (3/4") Displacement	\$342.24	y	\$386.73
			4d)	21mm (3/4"x1") Displacement	\$342.24	y	\$386.73
			4e)	25mm (1") Displacement	\$429.86	y	\$485.74
			4f)	38mm (1.5") - 250mm (10") Meters (cost depends on size, labour, and meter location)	Cost + 10% OH	y	Cost + 10% OH
23-235	510220	45690	5	Bench Testing Water Meters Note: Cost to have a water meter tested for accuracy. If the meter tests within the accuracy standards as set out by AWWA then the property owner is responsible for the cost of the test and the replacement cost of the water meter; otherwise cost borne by the City. Fee includes removal of existing meter and installation of replacement meter.			
			5a)	15 mm & 16 mm Diameter	\$510.80	y	\$577.20
			5b)	16-25mm Diameter - Test where meter has been removed from service within prior 90 days	\$234.87	y	\$265.40
			5c)	20 mm Diameter	\$582.46	y	\$658.18
			5d)	25 mm Diameter	\$692.54	y	\$782.57
			5e)	38 mm Diameter	\$1,423.90	y	\$1,609.01
			5f)	50 mm Diameter	\$1,637.95	y	\$1,850.88
			5g)	100 mm plus diameter (In Situ testing)	\$1,243.65	y	\$1,405.32

Costs not specifically addressed in the schedule will be invoiced at Actual Cost plus overhead

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10-103	510220	45644	6	Backflow Prevention Program Note: Costs for contractor registration fee, administration fees for processing backflow prevention test reports and survey forms.			
			6a)	Annual Program Registration Fee	\$169.60	y	\$191.65
			6b)	Test Report receipt and processing (per submission of each test report)	\$66.59	y	\$75.25
			6c)	Cross Connection Survey Form processing (per form upon submission)	\$201.17	y	\$227.32
			6d)	Backflow Prevention Device Investigation - Regular Hours	\$168.75	y	\$190.69
			6e)	Backflow Prevention Device Investigation - After Hours	\$231.90	y	\$262.05
23-235	514330	45590	7	Construction Water Note: Charge for unmetered water used for construction prior to meter installation. Paid at the time of submitting building permit payment.			
			7a)	Single Residential (per lot or townhouse)	\$147.54	n	\$147.54
			7b)	Multi-residential (per apartment/condo unit)	\$69.17	n	\$69.17
			7c)	Industrial/Commercial/Institutional (\$/1,000 sqft of building area or \$/ha where no structure is constructed)	\$48.47	n	\$48.47
			8	Hydrant/Road Adaptor Fees Note: Costs to install or remove water meter & backflow prevention device. When moving a hydrant/road adaptor from one site to another for the same customer, both removal & installation fees apply. This service requires a usage deposit and a damage deposit.			
23-235	514330	41208	8a)	Usage Cost (Metered Hauled Water Rate/m³)	\$3.63	n	\$3.63
23-235	514330	41209	8b)	Hydrant/Road Adaptor Connection/Disconnection Fee (Regular Hours-Fee for Both Services)	\$205.67	n	\$205.67
23-235	514330	41209	8c)	Hydrant/Road Adaptor Connection/Disconnection Fee (After Hours/Emergency-Fee for Both Services)	\$384.57	n	\$384.57
23-235	514330	41209	8d)	Non-Refundable Usage Deposit	\$370.08	n	\$370.08
23-235	514330	41209	8e)	Security/Damage Deposit	\$6,000.00	n	\$6,000.00
23-235	514330	41209	8f)	Hydrant/road adaptor rental fee for initial 7 days	\$92.56	y	\$104.59
23-235	514330	41209	8g)	Per Diem hydrant/road adaptor rental fee after initial 7 days	\$6.45	y	\$7.29
23-235	514330	41209	8h)	Hydrant Adaptor Backflow Prevention Device Testing (Regular Hours)	\$125.41	y	\$141.71
23-235	514330	41209	8i)	Hydrant Adaptor Backflow Prevention Device Testing (After Hours / Emergency)	\$213.37	y	\$241.11
23-235	514330	47244	9	Private Water Station Agreement Fees Annual Renewal	\$432.69	n	\$432.69
23-235	514330	47232	10	Water Haulage Fees 10a) Annual Water Haulage Permit Fee Note: Annual license fee to utilize the City's public filling stations.	\$65.36	n	\$65.36
			10b)	Account review Note: Costs charged for administrative services to provide customer account information for personal or taxation purposes.	\$104.37	y	\$117.94
23-235	510220	45519	11	General Administration Fees 11a) General Administrative Requests (per hour)/Report Requests 11b) Permit Cancellation administrative fee 11c) Permit Renewal Fee 11d) Lead Line Replacement Loan Application Fee 11e) Monthly AMI Manual Meter Read Fee 11f) Water Shut-off Admin Fee 11g) Water Shut-off Notice on Door 11h) AMI Consumption History Fee 11i) NSF Fee - Processing fee on all 'returned' payments 11j) Coupling Fee (includes cost for one 3/4" 90 meter coupling and one 3/4" straight meter coupling) 11h) Lost Water Meter Spacer Fee 11i) Water Meter Missed Appointment Fee	\$71.59 \$41.30 \$44.70 \$62.48 \$3.14 \$23.12 \$32.65 \$16.45 \$42.61 \$41.41 \$12.46 \$105.77	y y y y y y y y y y y y	\$80.90 \$46.67 \$50.51 \$70.60 \$3.55 \$26.13 \$36.89 \$18.59 \$48.15 \$46.79 \$14.08 \$119.52

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23-235			12	Water Inspection Services Note: Costs associated with various permit and inspection services related to water services for properties.			
	514330	47235	12a)	Private Water Service Repair/Replacement Inspection (Reg Hours - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$117.42	y	\$132.68
	514330	47235	12b)	Private Water Service Repair/Replacement Inspection (After Hours /Emerg - Max 1 Hour Labour)	\$188.28	y	\$212.76
	514330	45690	12c)	Water Service Abandonment Inspection (Regular Hours - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$104.95	y	\$118.59
	514330	45690	12d)	Water Service Abandonment Inspection (After Hours / Emergency - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$186.61	y	\$210.87
	514330	45690	12e)	Water Service Inspection for Demolition (Regular Hours - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$116.05	y	\$131.14
	514330	45690	12f)	Water Service Inspection for Demolition (After Hours / Emergency - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$206.59	y	\$233.45
	514330	45690	12g)	Missed or Cancelled Inspection	\$76.61	y	\$86.57
23-235	514330	45679	13	Turning Water Off or On Note: Turning water off at the curb to enable a property owner to complete internal plumbing repairs, or a private water service repair or replacement, and then turning the water back on.			
			13a)	Turning Water On/Off (Regular Hours)	\$156.56	n	\$156.56
			13b)	Turning Water On/Off (After Hours/Emergency)	\$263.19	n	\$263.19
			13c)	Turning Water On/Off During the Same Visit (Regular Hours - Max 1/2 Hour Total Labour)	\$104.95	n	\$104.95
			13d)	Turning Water On/Off During the Same Visit (After Hours/Emerg - Max 1/2 Hour Total Labour)	\$139.31	n	\$139.31
			13e)	Non-compliance Turn Water On	\$104.23	n	\$104.23
23-235	514330	45636	14	Hydrant Flow Test / Water Quality Flushing Note: Cost to operate a City Fire Hydrant(s) for a maximum of 1 hour total labour.	\$133.30	y	\$150.63
23-235	514330	45690	15	Water Quality/Quantity Service Calls Note: Cost for a service call to investigate a water quality/quantity complaint and the issue resides on private property. No charge for water quality/quantity complaints related to issues originating from the City's distribution system. <u>Missed appointments will be billed the corresponding service call rate.</u>			
			15a)	Service Call (Regular Hours - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$104.95	y	\$118.59
			15b)	Service Call (After Hours - Max 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$186.61	y	\$210.87
23-235	510290	45690	16	Hydrant Repair, Replace or Relocate Note: Cost to repair, replace, or relocate a City Fire Hydrant including labour, parts, materials, equipment, and permanent restoration.	Cost + 33% OH	y	Cost + 33% OH
23-235	514330	45690	17	Watermain Shutdowns Note: Costs associated with isolating a watermain to facilitate third party work.			
			17a)	Watermain Shutdown / Recharge (Regular Hours-Maximum 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$161.64	n	\$161.64
			17b)	Watermain Shutdown / Recharge (After Hours / Emergency-Maximum 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$304.54	n	\$304.54
23-235	510350	45408	18	Environmental Records Search PRISM Reports related to soil contamination Reports - Environmental Assessments and Master Plans - plus fee per page	\$170.92	y	\$193.14
					\$16.80	y	\$18.98
					\$0.10	y	\$0.11
23-235	514330	45690	19	Miscellaneous Water Distribution System Repair Note: Cost for the City to repair damage to the water distribution system caused by a third party. Costs include labour, parts, materials, equipment, and permanent restoration.	Cost + 33% OH	y	Cost + 33% OH

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23-235	514330	45690	20	Additional Labour Charges Note: Additional labour charge for all services/calls that exceed the allotted labour time. Costs are for a single Water Distribution Operator in minimum increments of 30 minutes. 1/2 Hour Additional Labour (Regular Hours)-Water Distribution Operator 1/2 Hour Additional Labour (After Hours)-Water Distribution Operator	\$42.54 \$56.31	y y	\$48.07 \$63.63
23-235			21	Inspection of ICI and Multi-Residential Private Water asset infrastructure repair/replacements. Note: Costs associated with the inspection of ICI and Multi-Residential private water asset infrastructure repair/replacements.			
	514330	47230	21a)	Private Water Service Repair/Replacement Inspection (Reg Hours - Min. 1 Hour Total Labour) - Contract Inspector	\$116.05	y	\$131.14
	514330	47230	21b)	Private Water Service Repair/Replacement Inspection (After Hours /Emerg - Min. 2 Hour Labour) - Contract Inspector	\$240.97	y	\$272.30
	514330	45690	21c)	Private Water Service Repair/Replacement Inspection (Missed Calls) - Contract Inspector	\$82.16	y	\$92.84
	514330	45679	21d)	Property Line Location Requests	\$76.61	y	\$86.57
			21e)	Re-Inspection or Repeat Site Visit Fee	\$104.95	y	\$118.59
			21f)	Hydrant Painting			
			21g)	Attend Site Meeting (Hourly Fee)	\$116.05	n	Cost + 33% OH \$116.05

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				COLLECTION SYSTEM INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE			
23-234	516175	47230	1	Wastewater Inspection Services Note: Costs associated with various permit and inspection services related to sewer laterals for properties.			
			1a)	Private Sewer Lateral Repair/Replacement Inspection (Regular Hours - Maximum 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$116.05	y	\$131.14
			1b)	Private Sewer Lateral Repair/Replacement Inspection (After Hours / Emergency - Maximum 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$262.44	y	\$296.56
		516175	45690	1c)	\$82.16	y	\$92.84
		516175	45690	1d)	Missed or Cancelled Inspection	y	
				Mainline Sewer Inspection	Cost + 33% OH		Cost + 33% OH
				Note: CCTV inspection of mainline sewers (storm, sanitary or combined). Cost based on linear meter inspection.			
23-234	516175	45690	2	Sewer Related Service Calls Note: Cost for a service call to investigate a sewer related complaint and the issue resides on private property. No charge for sewer complaints related to issues originating from the City's sewer system. <u>Missed appointments will be billed the corresponding service call rate.</u>			
			2a)	Service Call (Regular Hours - Maximum 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$102.88	y	\$116.25
			2b)	Service Call (After Hours - Maximum 1 Hour Total Labour)	\$222.90	y	\$251.88
23-234	516175	45690	3	Sewer Lateral Cleaning and Investigation Fees Note: When a property owner qualifies for the Sewer Lateral Management Program and chooses to hire their own Plumbing Contractor, these prices represent the maximum amounts that will be reimbursed to the property owner for the sewer lateral cleaning and investigation services performed by the independent Plumbing Contractor			
			3a)	Complete Sewer Lateral Investigation - Regular Hours	\$437.75	y	\$494.66
			3b)	Complete Sewer Lateral Investigation - After Hours	\$543.87	y	\$614.57
			3c)	Partial Sewer Lateral Cleaning - Regular Hours	\$262.65	y	\$296.79
			3d)	Partial Sewer Lateral Cleaning - After Hours	\$339.59	y	\$383.74
			3e)	Abandoned Sewer Lateral Investigation - Regular Hours	\$384.94	y	\$434.98
			3f)	Abandoned Sewer Lateral Investigation - After Hours	\$384.69	y	\$434.70
23-234	516175	45690	4	Miscellaneous Wastewater Collection System Repair Note: Cost for the City to repair damage to the wastewater collection system caused by a third party. Costs include labour, parts, materials, equipment, and permanent restoration.			
23-234	516175	45690	5	Additional Labour Charges Note: Additional labour charge for all services/calls that exceed the allotted labour time. Costs are for a single Wastewater Collection Operator or Contract Inspector in minimum increments of 30 minutes.			
			5a)	1/2 Hour Additional Labour (Regular Hours) - Wastewater Collection	\$37.31	y	\$42.16
			5b)	1/2 Hour Additional Labour (After Hours) - Wastewater Collection	\$50.96	y	\$57.58

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			LABORATORY SERVICES			
			Inorganic Tests:			
		1	Solids			
510250	45519	1a)	Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	\$27.80	y	\$31.41
		1b)	TSS plus Volatile Suspended Solids (VSS)	\$28.40	y	\$32.09
		1c)	Total Solids (TS)	\$26.80	y	\$30.28
		1d)	TS plus Volatile Solids (VS)	\$27.40	y	\$30.96
		1e)	Total Dissolved Solids	\$41.50	y	\$46.90
		2	Skalar			
		2a)	Total Cyanide	\$44.50	y	\$50.29
		2b)	Phenolics	\$46.00	y	\$51.98
		2c)	Total Kjeldhal Nitrogen (TKN)	\$40.00	y	\$45.20
		2d)	Ammonia	\$38.40	y	\$43.39
		2e)	Dissolved Organic Carbon	\$45.00	y	\$50.85
		2f)	Total Organic Carbon	\$43.80	y	\$49.49
		2g)	Reactive Silica	\$39.00	y	\$44.07
		2h)	O Phosphate	\$37.30	y	\$42.15
		2i)	Dissolved O Phosphate	\$38.30	y	\$43.28
510250	45519	3	Ion Chromatography (IC Scan)	\$50.40	y	\$56.95
510250	45519	4	PC Titrate			
		4a)	pH	\$21.70	y	\$24.52
		4b)	Alkalinity	\$22.70	y	\$25.65
		4c)	Conductivity	\$22.10	y	\$24.97
		4d)	Fluoride	\$30.20	y	\$34.13
		5	Turbidity	\$33.80	y	\$38.19
		6	UV Transmittance	\$29.90	y	\$33.79
		7	Color Apparent	\$27.00	y	\$30.51
		8	Color True	\$29.00	y	\$32.77
		9	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)	\$42.20	y	\$47.69
		10	Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	\$42.40	y	\$47.91
			Microbiology Tests:			
510250	45519	11	Total Coliform/E coli - Presence/Absence	\$34.50	y	\$38.99
510250	45519	12	Total Coliform/E coli - MPN	\$35.80	y	\$40.45
510250	45519	13	EC - MPN	\$35.80	y	\$40.45
510250	45519	14	Heterotrophic Plate Count	\$34.60	y	\$39.10
510250	45519	15	Microscopic Examination of Activated Sludge	\$180.60	y	\$204.08
510250	45519	16	Microcystin	\$622.40	y	\$703.31
		17a)	ICP OES Scan (Wastewater)	\$78.60	y	\$88.82
		17b)	Total Phosphorous	\$32.30	y	\$36.50
		17c)	Total Dissolved Phosphorous	\$34.10	y	\$38.53
510250	45519	18	ICP MS			
		18a)	ICP MS Scan	\$78.60	y	\$88.82
510250	45519	19	AA			
		19a)	Mercury	\$56.80	y	\$64.18
510250	45519	20	Organics			
		20a)	Caffeine	\$172.50	y	\$194.93
510250	45519	21	Additional Fees			
		21a)	Weekend surcharge	\$100.00	y	\$113.00

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				ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING & ENFORCEMENT To Regulate the Discharge of any Matter into the Sanitary, Combined, and Storm Sewer Systems.			
14-090	516175	47232	1	Annual Permit to Discharge Hauled Sewage Note: Cost for administration and processing of annual permits required to haul sewage within Hamilton	\$379.52	n	\$379.52
			2	Discharge fees for Hauled Sewage generated: Inside the City - Compliant Note: Cost per truck full of sewage containing materials within Sewer Use By-law limits up to 1000 imperial gallons (4.54 m3) or any part thereof	\$58.05	n	\$58.05
14-090	516175	41314	2a)	greater than 1000 (4.54 m3) but less than or equal to 3500 Imperial gallons (15.9m3)	\$58.05	n	\$58.05
14-090	516175	41314	2b)	greater than 3500 (15.9 m3) but less than or equal to 5000 Imperial gallons (22.7 m3)	\$116.08	n	\$116.08
14-090	516175	41314	2c)	greater than 5000 (22.7 m3) but less than or equal to 8000 Imperial gallons (36.3 m3)	\$174.12	n	\$174.12
14-090	516175	41314	2d)	greater than 8000 (36.3 m3) but less than or equal to 10000 Imperial gallons (45.43 m3)	\$232.15	n	\$232.15
			3	Discharge fees for Hauled Sewage generated: Inside the City - Non-Compliant Note: Cost per truck full of sewage containing materials that exceed one or more Sewer Use By-law limits			
14-090	516175	41314	3a)	up to 1000 imperial gallons (4.54 m3) or any part thereof	\$58.05	n	\$58.05
14-090	516175	41314	3b)	greater than 1000 (4.54 m3) but less than or equal to 3500 Imperial gallons (15.9m3)	\$116.08	n	\$116.08
14-090	516175	41314	3c)	greater than 3500 (15.9 m3) but less than or equal to 5000 Imperial gallons (22.7 m3)	\$174.12	n	\$174.12
14-090	516175	41314	3d)	greater than 5000 (22.7 m3) but less than or equal to 8000 Imperial gallons (36.3 m3)	\$290.20	n	\$290.20
14-090	516175	41314	3e)	greater than 8000 (36.3 m3) but less than or equal to 10000 Imperial gallons (45.43 m3)	\$348.24	n	\$348.24
14-090	516175	41314	4	Holding Tanks for Recreational Vehicles Note: Cost for Recreational Vehicles (RV's) to dump sewer waste at the Mountain Transfer Station	\$9.44	n	\$9.44
			5	Overstrength Discharge Fees Note: Cost per kilogram of each specified parameter that is in excess of Sewer Use By-law limits, and subject to a Sewer Discharge Permit			
14-090	516080	41315	5a)	Biochemical Oxygen Demand (charge per kg)	\$0.89	n	\$0.89
14-090	516080	41315	5b)	Total suspended solids (charge per kg)	\$0.71	n	\$0.71
14-090	516080	41315	5c)	Oil & grease (animal/vegetable) (charge per kg)	\$0.50	n	\$0.50
14-090	516080	41315	5d)	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (charge per kg)	\$1.13	n	\$1.13
14-090	516080	41315	5e)	Total Phosphorus (charge per kg)	\$2.39	n	\$2.39
14-090	516080	41317	6	Surcharge Discharge Fee (charge per m3)	\$2.61	n	\$2.61

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			7	Application Fees for Sewer Discharge Permits NOTE: Fee to be paid upon application for Sewer Discharge Permit			
14-090	510260	45519	7a)	Application Fee	\$874.75	y	\$988.47
14-090	510260	45519	7b)	Wastewater Characterization deposit (optional)	\$500.00	n	\$500.00
14-090	510260	45519	7c)	Amendment Fee (all permit types)	\$361.98	y	\$409.04
			8	Administrative Fees for Sewer Discharge Permits Note: Multiple permit holders pay the higher administration fee (for example, if the permit holder has both an Overstrength Discharge Permit and a Compliance Program Permit, they will pay \$1,203.87 per quarter)			
14-090	510260	45532	8a)	Overstrength Discharge Permit (charged quarterly)	\$486.24	n	\$486.24
14-090	510260	45532	8b)	Sanitary Discharge Permit (charged quarterly)	\$486.24	n	\$486.24
14-090	510260	45532	8c)	Chloride Discharge Permit (charged quarterly)	\$486.24	n	\$486.24
14-090	510260	45532	8d)	Compliance Discharge Permit (charged quarterly)	\$1,203.87	n	\$1,203.87
14-090	510260	45532	8e)	Conditional Discharge Permit (charged quarterly)	\$1,203.87	n	\$1,203.87
14-090	510260	45532	8f)	Construction Dewatering Discharge Permit (charged quarterly)	\$486.24	n	\$486.24
14-090	510260	45519	9	Information Requests Note: Fee per property for records search related to Sewer Use By-law historical violations	\$218.79	y	\$247.23
14-090	510260	45532	10	Wastewater Sampling (optional) Note: Per unit costs to conduct wastewater sampling to determine permit conditions and limits			
			10a)	Wastewater Sampling Vehicle Fee (per kilometer)	\$1.38	y	\$1.56
			10b)	Wastewater Sampling Equipment Fee (per day)	\$45.24	y	\$51.12
			10c)	Wastewater Sampling Technician Fee (per hour) Mon - Fri	\$57.50	y	\$64.98
			10d)	Wastewater Sampling Technician Fee (per hour) Sat	\$86.26	y	\$97.47
			10e)	Wastewater Sampling Technician Fee (per hour) Sun	\$123.26	y	\$139.28

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03-272	510260	45532	1	ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING & ENFORCEMENT Fees related to the Wastewater Abatement Program Application Fee (plus cost recovery for peer review if required)	\$493.54	y	\$557.70
03-272	510260	45532	2	Annual Administration Fee	\$911.01	y	\$1,029.44

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15. By-law No. 24-230, being a by-law to establish the 2025 Water and Wastewater/Storm Fees and Charges for Services, Activities and Use of Property Provided by the City of Hamilton, is repealed upon the coming into force of this By-law.
16. The repeal of By-law 24-230, or any of its predecessors does not:
 - (a) affect the previous operation of the repealed by-law;
 - (b) affect a right, privilege, obligation or liability that came into existence under the repealed by-law;
 - (c) affect an offence committed against the repealed by-law, or any penalty, forfeiture or punishment incurred in connection with the offence;
 - (d) affect an investigation, proceeding or remedy in respect of a right, privilege, obligation or liability that came into existence under the repealed by-law.
17. This By-law comes into force on January 1, 2026.

PASSED this 10th day of December, 2025.

A. Horwath
Mayor

M. Trennum
City Clerk