

Changes for the 2016 City of Milwaukee Municipal Service Bill

- **Increases for Storm Water Management and Solid Waste Collection Charges.**
- **There is a new Solid Waste Collection Charge for multi-unit dwellings with five or more units.**
- **No increase in the Local Sewerage Charge or the Snow & Ice Removal Charge.**

Milwaukee Water Works Service and Water Use Charges

To be determined by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin. The six-year plan calls for a 3% cost of living increase effective mid-year after six months of billing at the current rate, which would mean the rate would increase 1.5% for 2016.

Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) Sewer Treatment Charges

To be determined by the MMSD Commission in November/December; any change would take effect Feb. 1, 2016.

City of Milwaukee Municipal Service Charges are determined by Mayor Barrett and the Common Council in the 2016 City of Milwaukee Budget; charges will be effective Jan. 1, 2016.

Local Sewerage Charge

This charge is based on the amount of water used in the billing period. **The charge will remain at the 2015 level of \$1.38 per Ccf of water used.** The charge is used to pay for maintaining city sanitary sewers that carry waste to the MMSD.

Note for West Milwaukee Customers: The Village of West Milwaukee Board determines the sewer rates. The Milwaukee Water Works provides a sewer billing service to West Milwaukee. For questions about the West Milwaukee sewer rate, please call the West Milwaukee Department of Public Works, (414) 645-6238.

Storm Water Management Charge

This charge for maintenance of storm sewers is based on the amount of hard surface area of a property. A typical residential property has an average hard surface area of 1,610 square feet. This amount is called an Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU); one ERU=1,610 sq. ft. A residential property is charged one ERU; a non-residential property is charged based on the square footage of hard surface of the property.

Residential buildings. (one to four dwelling units in a house, apartment, or condominium) will be charged \$19.22 per quarter or \$76.88 per year. This is an increase of \$1.26 per quarter or \$5.04 per year.

Non-residential property. For commercial customers billed quarterly, the charge will be \$19.22 per ERU per quarter. This is an increase of \$1.26 per quarter or \$5.04 per year. For commercial customers billed monthly, the charge will be \$6.40 per ERU per month, an increase of \$0.41 per month. Calculate the number of ERUs for a property by dividing the square footage of hard surface of the property by 1,610. Condominium associations are charged based on the amount of hard surface area of the entire property. The charge is billed quarterly to the condominium association.

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Solid Waste Charge

The charge will increase in 2016 to \$49.23 per quarter per residential unit for one-, two-, three- and four-family dwelling units, including vacant units. (The annual charge would total \$196.92) The charge of \$49.23 per cubic yard will be charged for properties other than one-, two-, three- and four-family dwelling units, including vacant units. This is an increase of \$0.63 per quarter or \$2.52 per year. This charge partially pays for garbage collection, which is also partially paid by the City of Milwaukee property tax.

New for 2016: Solid Waste Collection Charge for multi-unit dwellings with five or more units
This provides a 5% increase in the 2015 charge to recover 100% of the cost of solid waste collection services by the City of Milwaukee that may be provided to owners of multi-unit dwellings of five or more units.

Top Load Container		
Size	Monthly Rate	Quarterly Rate
2-yard	\$89.00	\$267.00
3-yard	\$96.00	\$288.00
4-yard	\$102.33	\$307.00
6-yard	\$116.67	\$350.00
8-yard	\$131.00	\$393.00

Rear Load Containers		
Size	Monthly Rate	Quarterly Rate
2-yard	\$145.67	\$437.00
Garbage cart	\$22.00	\$66.00

Extra Garbage Cart Charge

This charge is issued for each extra garbage cart you use beyond one cart. This applies to more than one garbage cart per unit for one-, two-, three-, and four-family dwelling units. **The charge will remain \$15.00 per quarter per cart.** There is no charge for extra recycling carts. To request removal of extra garbage carts or to request an additional recycling cart, please call (414) 286-CITY (286-2489).

Snow and Ice Removal Charge

This charge partially offsets the costs of plowing and salting streets. Customers billed quarterly see the charge on the fourth quarter bill and commercial customers billed monthly see the charge on the October bill. **The charge will remain \$0.9155 per foot of street frontage of the property.** For residential property with multiple street frontages such as a corner lot, the shortest frontage is used to calculate the charge. For non-residential property, including tax-exempt property, the total street frontage is used to calculate the charge.