

ORDINANCE NO. 1021
AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO WATER SERVICE AMENDING SECTIONS 15-225
AND 15-324 OF THE ORDINANCE CODE OF THE CITY OF DOWNS, KANSAS AND
REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT
THEREOF

(Published August 14, 2025)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF DOWNS, KANSAS THAT:

Section 1. That Section 15-225 of the Ordinance Code of the City of Downs, Kansas be amended to read as follows:

15-225. **WATER RATES AND CHARGES.** Water rates and service charges shall be made monthly for water furnished to consumers through each separate meter by the city as follows:

First 2,500 gallons or less - \$34.50 minimum.

2,501 gallons to 12,500 gallons - \$5.80 per 1,000 gallons.

12,501 gallons to 50,000 gallons - \$6.30 per 1,000 gallons.

Over 50,000 gallons - \$6.80 per 1,000 gallons.

Users outside the city limits of the City of Downs, Kansas, - an additional \$22.00 minimum per monthly period.

Section 2. That Section 15-324 of the Ordinance Code of the City of Downs, Kansas be amended to read as follows:

15-324. **SEWER SERVICE CHARGE.** Each water customer who shall have a sewer connection discharging into the sewers of the city shall pay an additional monthly surcharge for each meter he or she uses in the sum of \$26.50 to pay the cost of flushing and cleaning the sewers.

That in all cases of trailer parks, motels, hotels, tenant buildings, and other commercial users, there shall be an additional surcharge to pay the cost of flushing and cleaning sewers as follows:

(a) for motels, hotels the sum of \$21.00 monthly.

(b) For trailer parks, the sum of \$9.40 monthly for the first trailer, and the sum of \$2.00 monthly for each additional trailer;

(c) For tenant buildings, the sum of \$9.40 monthly for the first unit, and the sum of \$2.00 monthly for each additional unit or tenant;

(d) For all other commercial users, an additional sum based on the amount of water used in excess of the minimum of 7,500 gallons per monthly period and in accordance with the following schedule:

7,500 gallons to 25,000 gallons - \$5.00;
25,001 gallons to 50,000 gallons - \$14.50;
50,001 gallons to 100,000 gallons - \$23.50;
100,001 gallons to 175,000 gallons - \$32.50;
175,001 gallons to 250,000 gallons - \$41.50;
250,001 gallons to 375,000 gallons - \$50.50;
Over 375,000 gallons - \$59.50

Users outside the city limits of the City of Downs, Kansas, - an additional \$24.75 minimum per monthly period.

That all additional surcharges shall be paid monthly at the same time as the basic surcharge above provided.

Section 3. That Section 15-225 and 15-324 of the Ordinance Code of the City of Downs, Kansas, prior amendments thereto, and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. That Ordinance 1016 of the Ordinance Code of the City of Downs, Kansas, prior amendments thereto, and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed

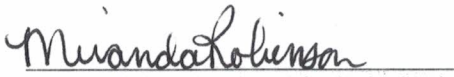
Section 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official city newspaper to be effective beginning the first billing cycle after December 1, 2025.

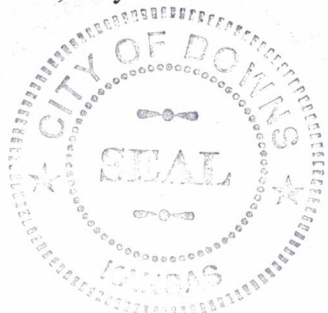
Passed by the city council this 4th day of August, 2025.

Signed by the mayor on the 4th day of August, 2025.


Vienna Janis, Mayor

ATTEST:


Miranda Robinson, City Clerk
[SEAL]



ORDINANCE NO. 1016 SUMMARY

On August 4, 2025, the City of Downs, Kansas adopted Ordinance No. 1021 increasing minimum water service rates by 50 cents and minimum sewer service rates by 50 cents effective for the month of January 1, 2026. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.downsks.net or at city hall at 715 Railroad Avenue, Downs, Kansas. This summary certified by Bruce Berkley, City Attorney.