

## Westwood Shores M.U.D 75 Cottonwood Trinity, TX 75862

December 14, 2023

Valued Customers.

Our District faces many challenges in maintaining our infrastructure including significant costs for both preventive maintenance and unplanned repairs. As a result, we need to continue our focus on meeting our budgeted revenues for the fiscal year ending June 30,2024. However, as we begin using our two District wells as our primary water source, we want to increase customer focus on water conservation by decreasing our monthly base fees and increasing costs for gallons used. As a result, at our Board meeting on December 11, 2023, the following new rate order was approved, effective February 1, 2024.

We did not make this decision lightly and understand that it may cause some challenges to our customers. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at 936-594-3411 or email us at customerservice@westwoodshoresmud.com.

## New Amended Water/Sewer Availability Base Fee

| Meter Size  | Minimum Water             | Minimum Sewer             |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 5/8" & 3/4" | \$78.50                   | \$78.50                   |
| 1"          | \$196.25 (\$78.50 x 2.5)  | \$196.25 (\$78.25x2.5)    |
| 2"          | \$ 628.00 (\$78.50 x 8)   | \$628.00 (\$78.50 x 8)    |
| 3"          | \$1,177.50 (\$78.50 x 15) | \$1,175.50 (\$78.50 x15)  |
| 6"          | \$3,925.00 (\$78.50 x 50) | \$3,925.00 (\$78.50 x 50) |

**Increasing Block Water Usage Rates** 

| 0 gallons - 3,000 gallons     | \$7.50 per 1,000 gallons  |  |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 3,001 gallons - 6,000 gallons | \$8.50 per 1,000 gallons  |  |
| 6,001 gallons – 9,000 gallons | \$9.50 per 1,000 gallons  |  |
| Over 9,000 gallons            | \$10.50 per 1,000 gallons |  |

Block Sewer Usage: \$0

In compliance with Section 5.701 of the Texas Water Code the TCEQ Regulatory Assessment Fee is equal to one-half percent (.005) of the charge for retail water and/or sewer.

In addition, there will no longer be an option for customers to opt out of monthly base fees. All customers with meters will be charged a minimum of the monthly base fees for water and sewer.