SECTION 2.00
WATER RATES - INSIDE CITY

2.01 **Meter Water Rates:** Water rates shall be reviewed periodically and approved by the Board. Rates adopted by the Board shall become a part of these rules and regulations. See Appendix A.

2.02 **Multiple Dwelling Units Served Through a Single Water Meter:** For the first unit or space available for occupancy the charge shall be the minimum for the size of meter serving the property. To this shall be added the appropriate charge for each additional unit or space available for occupancy. The water allowed for this minimum charge shall be 2,000 gallons for the first unit or space, plus 2,000 gallons for each additional unit or space. All water used in excess of that allowed under the minimum charge shall be charged at the applicable rate. See Appendix A.

2.03 **Private Fire Protection:** See Section 9.05 and Appendixes A and B for rules, regulations, and charges applicable to connections for unmetered fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, and/or standpipes.

2.04 **Public Fire Protection:** See Section 9.01 and 9.02 and Appendixes A and B for rules, regulations, and charges applicable to fire hydrants provided in accordance with the contract with the City of Pueblo or contracts with other parties inside or outside the Pueblo City limits.

2.05 **City of Pueblo:** All new services or changes in services shall be metered and all applicable meter and tap fees shall apply.

Water for use in City buildings, parks five (5) acres and larger, fire fighting, sewer flushing, street cleaning, and public drinking fountains shall be furnished without charge.

Unless special approval has been granted by the Board to participate in the above outlined program providing water without charge, all parks smaller than five (5) acres shall be charged for all water used at the regular applicable rate with no discount.

Water for public swimming pools, golf courses, skating rinks, cemeteries, and similar enterprise functions shall be charged at the regular applicable rates with no discount.

All City-maintained irrigated property established before May 15, 1979, except as otherwise designated by the Board, shall receive water without charge.

All City-maintained irrigated public street and parking lot beautification areas established after May 15, 1979, shall receive water without charge for the first three (3) years. After the first three (3) years, these areas shall be provided water at the regular applicable water rate and allowed a fifty percent (50%) discount on water consumed above the minimum.
All open spaces, utility/pedestrian-ways, and drainage easements not specifically accepted by the Board prior to May 15, 1979, shall be provided water at the regular applicable rates with no discount.

2.06 Miscellaneous Sales:

A. Fire Hydrants: The charge for supplying water from fire hydrants shall be as follows: A monthly minimum equal to that of a 3-inch or larger meter, as may be the case, shall be charged for the first 2,000 gallons, or any part thereof, as outlined in Appendix A. Additional use above the 2,000 gallons shall be charged at the Fire Hydrant Sales charge as specified in Appendix A. All water service supplied from fire hydrants shall be metered. Hydrant meters shall be brought to the Board’s Meter Shop for reading any working day from the first through the fifth working day of each calendar month. Meters not read by the fifth working day of each month shall be read in the field by Board personnel, and the customer shall pay a monthly late read fee as specified in Appendix A. Bills for service are due upon receipt, delinquent if not paid within twenty (20) days of billing. Fire hydrant meter customers who do not maintain a current account shall have their permit revoked.

All use of water from a fire hydrant, other than for use by the City of Pueblo or the Board, shall first be approved by the Board. This use shall be in accordance with the Board’s Policy for Fire Hydrant Water Use. In addition, a deposit for the fire hydrant meter, as specified in Appendix A, shall be required. See Section 4.03. The customer shall be liable for any loss or damages to the fire hydrant, fire hydrant meter, auxiliary valves, fire hose, fire hydrant wrench, and other equipment furnished by the Board.

B. Temporary Connections: Water service for construction purposes, special events, and other uses where the connection is of a temporary nature shall be metered and charged at the regular applicable rates. See Appendix A. The metering of such water use shall be at the applicant’s expense.

C. Raw Water: The rates and conditions for the sale of raw water shall be as provided by contract between the Board and customer. Contracts executed on or after March 20, 2012 shall require customer compliance with Section 5.07 of these rules and regulations.

2.07 State of Colorado: Water served to all State of Colorado buildings and properties shall be provided at the regular applicable rate. Areas located within the Pueblo City limits which are maintained by the Colorado Department of Transportation for the purpose of highway beautification, and are approved by the Board, shall be furnished irrigation water without charge for the first three (3) years. After the first three (3) years, these areas shall be provided water at the regular applicable rate, but shall be allowed a fifty percent (50%) discount on water consumed above the minimum. All new services or changes in services shall be metered and all applicable meter and tap fees shall apply.