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APPLICATION OF RANKIN PARK
MAINTENANCE AND UTILITIES FOR
A CLASS D RATE ADJUSTMENT

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NOTICE OF APPROVAL

This Notice of Approval addresses the application of Rankin Park Maintenance and Utilities, a Class D utility, for an annual rate adjustment under Texas Water Code (TWC) § 13.1872. The Commission increases Rankin Park's monthly water and sewer base rates and gallonage rates by 5.0%, effective April 8, 2021.

I. Findings of Fact

The Commission makes the following findings of fact.

Applicant

1. Rankin Park Maintenance and Utilities Co., Inc. is a Texas corporation registered with the Texas secretary of state under file number 800078801.
2. Rankin Park operates and maintains facilities for providing water service under certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) number 12228 and sewer service under CCN number 20789 in Harris County and serves 50 active water connections and 41 active sewer connections.
3. Rankin Park operates a public water system registered with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under identification number 1012070.
4. Rankin Park operates a sewer system permitted with the TCEQ under permit number WQ0014621001.

Application

5. On October 27, 2020, Rankin Park filed the application at issue in this proceeding in which it seeks a Class D annual rate adjustment of 5.0%.
6. On November 20, 2020, Rankin Park filed a supplement to the application.
7. Rankin Park proposed an effective date of January 15, 2021.

8. This application is Rankin Park's third requested Class D rate adjustment.
9. In Order No. 3 filed on December 21, 2020, the administrative law judge deemed the application administratively complete and accepted for filing.

Rate Adjustment

10. Rankin Park requested a 5.0% annual rate adjustment to its monthly water and sewer base rates and gallonage rates.

11. Rankin Park's proposed increasing its monthly water base rates as follows:

Meter size	Current Water Base Rate (Includes 0 Gallons)	Proposed Rate
5/8" or 3/4"	\$47.94	\$50.34
1"	\$79.89	\$83.88
1 1/2"	\$159.79	\$167.78
2"	\$255.67	\$268.45
3"	\$479.37	\$503.34

12. Rankin Park proposed increasing its monthly water gallonage rate as follows:

Current Water Gallonage Rate (per 1,000 gallons)	Proposed Rate
\$3.16	\$3.32

13. Rankin Park proposed increasing its monthly sewer base rates as follows:

Meter size	Current Sewer Base Rate (Includes 0 Gallons)	Proposed Rate
5/8" or 3/4"	\$39.00	\$40.95
1"	\$65.00	\$68.25
1 1/2"	\$129.99	\$136.49
2"	\$207.98	\$218.38
3"	\$389.96	\$409.46

14. Rankin Park proposed increasing its monthly sewer gallonage rate as follows:

Current Sewer Gallonage Rate (per 1,000 gallons)	Proposed Rate
\$3.16	\$3.32

Tariffs

15. On December 16, 2020, Commission Staff filed the proposed water and sewer tariffs as attachments to its recommendation on administrative completeness and final disposition.

II. Conclusions of Law

The Commission makes the following conclusions of law.

1. The Commission has authority over the application under TWC § 13.1872.

2. Rankin Park is a utility as defined in TWC § 13.002(23) and is a Class D utility under TWC § 13.002(4-d).
3. Under TWC § 13.1872(f), Rankin Park may adjust its rates not more than once each year and not more than four times between rate proceedings under TWC § 13.1871.
4. A 5.0% increase in Rankin Park's monthly water and sewer base rates and gallonage rates complies with TWC § 13.1872(e)(2).
5. The Commission processed the application in accordance with the requirements of the TWC, the Administrative Procedure Act,¹ and Commission rules.
6. Rankin Park has demonstrated that it has met the requirements of TWC § 13.1872 for approval of the rate adjustments.
7. Under TWC § 13.1872(c)(1), the applicant must provide notice 30 days before the effective date of the proposed change.
8. Under 16 TAC § 24.49(e), the applicant must provide notice after it receives a written order by the Commission approving or modifying the application.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

In accordance with these findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Commission issues the following orders.

1. The Commission approves the application for a Class D annual rate adjustment, effective April 8, 2021.
2. The Commission adjusts Rankin Park's monthly water base rates, effective April 8, 2021, as follows:

Meter size	Approved Water Base Rate (Includes 0 Gallons)
5/8" or 3/4"	\$50.34
1"	\$83.88
1 1/2"	\$167.78
2"	\$268.45
3"	\$503.34

¹ Tex. Gov't Code §§ 2001.001–903.

3. The Commission adjusts Rankin Park's monthly water gallonage rates, effective April 8, 2021, as follows:

Approved Water Gallonage Rate (per 1,000 gallons)
\$3.32

4. The Commission adjusts Rankin Park's monthly sewer base rates, effective April 8, 2021, as follows:

Meter size	Approved Sewer Base Rate (Includes 0 Gallons)
5/8" or 3/4"	\$40.95
1"	\$68.25
1 1/2"	\$136.49
2"	\$218.38
3"	\$409.46

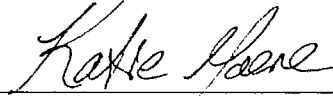
5. The Commission adjusts Rankin Park's monthly sewer gallonage rates, effective April 8, 2021, as follows:

Approved Sewer Gallonage Rate (per 1,000 gallons)
\$3.32

6. The Commission approves the water and sewer tariff pages attached Commission Staff's recommendation on administrative completeness and final disposition filed on December 16, 2020.
7. Within ten days of the date of this Notice of Approval, Commission Staff must file a clean copy of the tariff, with the approved effective date, with central records to be marked *Approved* and kept in the Commission tariff book.
8. Rankin Park must, by March 9, 2021, provide to each ratepayer by mail, or by electronic mail if the ratepayer has agreed to receive communications electronically, notice of the rate adjustment with the new effective date of April 8, 2021 using the form attached to Commission Staff's recommendation on administrative completeness and final disposition filed on December 16, 2020.
9. By March 23, 2021, Rankin Park must file proof that it has provided notice as specified above.
10. The Commission denies all other motions and any other requests for general or specific relief that have not been expressly granted.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 24 day of February 2021.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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KATIE MOORE
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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