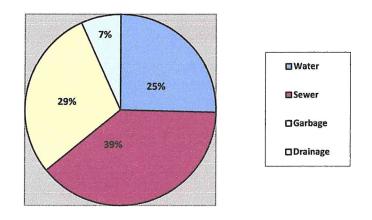
WHY IS MY WATER BILL SO HIGH? Did you know that our water bill is not just the charge for water, it is actually the monthly bill for all city provided utilities including water, sewer, garbage and drainage.

From the graph below, we can see that a customer using the minimum base of 400 cubic feet (2,992 gallons) or less in a month, water only constitutes 25% of the total bill for city provided utilities, while sewer is 39%, garbage is 29% and the drainage fee is 7%; all together less than \$100 per month.



Customers using more than the minimum base amount of 400 cubic feet of water per month do pay an additional usage charge of 3.7 to 4.3 cents per cubic feet depending on what water district they are in.

On the following page is a sample bill for a water customer in district that breaks down each utility charge on the bill as to what it is for, the charge and where it is located on your bill. For more information please feel free to contact the water department at 817-626-5421, extensions 315, 318 or 338.



Name

CITY OF RIVER OAKS 4900 RIVER OAKS BLVD. RIVER OAKS, TEXAS 76114 817-626-5421

SAMPLE BILL

**AUTO SORT CRRT C002

RIVER OAKS TX 16114-2259

EACH (REMOVED UPON REQUEST)

Account Number	Amount Due
	\$ 90.11
Due Date	After Due Date Pay
	\$ 99.12
Service	Address

There will be a charge on all returned checks.

PAST DUE 10% PENALTY MINIMUM \$5.00

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM CO- Contributions-Library, Park, Fire & Community Center (OPTIONAL)

UTILITY BILL

Account Number

Please return this portion with your payment. Write Account Number on Check. When paying in person please bring both portions of this bill.

Customer Account Information - Retain for Your Records

Service Address

IMPROVEMENTS

RESIDENTIAL IN DISTRICT CUSTOMER

Service Dates Number Bill Date Penalty Date Status Due Date of Days From To ACTIVE 07/02/2019 08/01/2019 3 0 08/15/2019 08/31/2019 08/30/2019 PREVIOUS BALANCE 135.52 **PAYMENTS** 134.52 **ADJUSTMENTS** 1 .0 0 ---CURRENT----- ----PREVIOUS-----CURRENT BALANCE \$ 0.00 READING **USAGE** DATE DATE READING 2781)1/02/19 2640 141 WATER 12/03/18 22.63 SEWER 141 34.50 WATER USAGE = 141 CU FT = 1,055 GALLONS GARBAGE . 24.00 DONATION 1.00 MINIMUM BILL= 0-400 CU FT OR 2,992 GALLONS ▶ DRAINAGE 6.00 FEE SALES TAX 1. 98 SEWER CHARGED BASED ON AVERAGE WATER USAGE DURING THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER. CURRENT BILL \$ 90.11 JANUARY AND FEBRUARY. AMOUNT DUE \$ 90.11 FOR EXAMPLE: A 3-MONTH AVERAGE FOR THIS AMOUNT DUE AFTER 08/30/2019 \$ 99.12 BILL IS 141 CUBIC FEET = \$34.50 PER MONTH **RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE =** \$1 VOLUNTARY DONATION TO PARKS, FIRE, LIBRARY \$6 PER MONTH & EVENT CENTER @ 25 CENTS OF EVERY \$1 FOR FOR DRAINAGE \$24.00/MONTH PLUS TAX