

## Sanitation Fee:

The City's contract cost for garbage pick-up and disposal has increased twice in the past two years; in turn, our contract cost recently began exceeding the sanitation fee the city was charging. This fact necessitates an increase in the sanitation fee charged to residents. The City's garbage pickup and disposal fee includes one cart for household garbage and one cart for recyclable garbage. The monthly fee will increase to \$15.50 for these disposal services. After the increase, Rincon's sanitation fee still remains lower than fees charged by others in the county.

Effingham County charges ..... \$16.66  
billed annually \$200 on tax bill

City of Springfield charges ..... \$16.00  
billed monthly

City of Rincon Charges ..... \$15.50 new  
Monthly billing

The City of Rincon continues to provide quality service at the lowest charge possible.



## Water & Sewer Fees:

The City of Rincon has faced and continues to face many costly challenges in providing affordable drinking water for a rapidly growing community.

Along with rapid growth, State constraints on groundwater, high cost of surface water, State requirements to reduce the City's discharge into the creek, and improvements to the current Waste Water Treatment Facility, are some of the more costly challenges that the City will continue to face.

It has been three years since the city has increased water or sewer rates. However, an increase is necessary to meet the rising cost of water generation, distribution, and waste water treatment.

With the approved increase, City customers will notice an estimated 12% to 15% increase in their monthly bill. Even so, Rincon's rates match up well with other local systems as demonstrated below.

Average Water & Sewer bill based on 7000 gals per month		Total Bill
Chatham County Sewer	\$34.28	<b>\$55.64</b>
Chatham County Water	\$21.36	
Consolidated Water and Sewer		<b>\$54.70</b>
Effingham County Sewer	\$33.90	<b>\$61.42</b>
Effingham County Water	\$27.52	
Garden City Sewer	\$36.16	<b>\$65.70</b>
Garden City Water	\$29.54	
Guyton Sewer	\$37.47	<b>\$73.86</b>
Guyton Water	\$36.39	
Lakeside Sewer	\$53.00	<b>\$100.00</b>
Lakeside Water Only	\$47.00	
Pooler	\$31.55	<b>\$50.69</b>
Pooler	\$19.14	
Rincon Inside City Sewer	\$28.00	<b>\$49.00</b>
Rincon Inside City Water	\$21.00	
Rincon Outside City Sewer	\$38.00	<b>\$69.50</b>
Rincon Outside City Water	\$30.00	
Springfield Inside City Sewer	\$31.20	<b>\$52.20</b>
Springfield Inside City Water	\$21.00	
Springfield Outside City Sewer	\$50.70	<b>\$80.20</b>
Springfield Outside Water	\$29.50	

Average of other Sampled Systems	<b>\$66.04</b>
Average of other Effingham Systems	<b>\$70.40</b>
Average for Rincon - inside the City	<b>\$49.00</b>
Average for Rincon - outside the City	<b>\$69.50</b>

The residential rates of the City of Rincon are 25% less than the average fee for all sampled systems. The City of Rincon's inside the City rate is 20% less than the county's rate, and the City's commercial rates are less than half the County's commercial rates.

The City of Rincon continues to provide its customers with water and sewer rates, on the average, that are less than other local systems.