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City of Cisco Announces Utility Rate Adjustment Following Council Vote

CISCO, TEXAS – July 10, 2025 – In light of mounting financial pressures brought on by the prolonged effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, rapidly rising chemical product costs, and prior managerial shortcomings, the City of Cisco has adopted a new utility rate structure to maintain vital city services and ensure long-term fiscal health.

At the **June 9th City Council meeting**, the **City Council unanimously approved** an ordinance to adjust residential utility rates. The change will go into effect beginning June 15, 2025, and will be reflected in the July utility bill.

The new total monthly minimum utility bill for residential customers would be **\$124.60**, with the following breakdown:

- **Water (up to 2,000 gallons): \$52.83**
- **Sewer (4,000 gallons or less): \$41.94**
- **1 poly-cart: \$22.94**
- **Sales Tax: \$1.89**
- **Convenience Fee: \$5.00**

Mayor's Statement:

"The decision to move forward with the price increase has been an extremely difficult one," said Mayor Stephen Forester. *"However, the last several audits have shown the city that these measures are a must. Without them, our ability to provide basic, essential services will be at serious risk."*

The proposed rate adjustment is a direct response to the city's current financial state and is intended to safeguard the quality and reliability of Cisco's water and sewer systems.

City leaders emphasize their commitment to transparency and fiscal responsibility as they take steps to stabilize operations and correct past issues.