

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR CITIZENS

UTILITIES

Montrose Utility Bill Breakdown:

Water base rate + usage
Sewer base rate
Garbage base rate+tax
Tree Dump Fee+tax
Infrastructure Loans (3)

To activate online billing, please visit the
Finance Officer.

Utility Bill Due Date: 15th of every month

Late Penalty applied on the 16th

TREE DUMP

The Tree Dump is a *privilege* for Montrose citizens. It is regulated by the state and therefore comes with directives we must follow.

- *Obtain a gate key from the City Office during weekly business hours.
- *Trees only; no garbage, tires, furniture, chemicals/oil, grass clippings, or yard waste
- *Trees that come within city limits only.
- *Tree debris goes into the dump site, not along the road or dumped at the gate.
- *Lock the gate when finished, return keys

BUILDING PERMITS



WHY ARE PERMITS SO IMPORTANT?

Q: Why does Montrose City have to require building permits?

A: Ordinances are in place to ensure *safety, construction, environmental*, and *zoning standards* are being met. Verifying plans helps *protect* the public and properties by *preventing unsafe* structures from being built.

LEGAL AND LIABILITY ISSUES:

Ordinances prevent costly legal conflicts and *promotes responsible development* within the city.

Lawsuit history within our local governments is a good reminder that cities need to take steps to recognize and minimize potential liabilities by permit enforcement.

REQUIRED PERMITTING LIST:

New Residential/Commercial structures
Houses/Shouses, Garages, Sheds, Decks,
Fencing, Car Ports and Concrete Pads
Additions to existing structures

Changes in siding, windows, fencing, etc..

MOVING permits and DEMOLITION permits.

PET LICENSING

Q: WHY IS PET LICENSING REQUIRED?

A: To ensure *Rabies Vaccinations* for public health, to promote *responsible pet ownership*, to increase the likelihood of lost pets being reunited with their owners, and to help fund service calls to the humane society when needed.

Annual Pet Licensing occurs in January

Fixed: \$5 each / Unaltered: \$10 each

City needs a copy of Rabies Vaccinations

Licensing prevents incurring fines for non-compliance with local ordinances.

Disturbance of the peace by barking dogs may require the removal of the animal by a call to the Sherriff's Dept.

NUMBER OF PETS LIMITED:

No more than 6 (six) domestic pets, per household, except birds and fish.

No more than 6 (six) chickens and ducks per household.

Not Allowed: Roosters, Turkeys, Geese or Livestock.



HAVE CITY ORDINANCE QUESTIONS? REQUEST A COPY WITHIN THE CITY OFFICE - DIGITAL COPY AVAILABLE ON CITY WEBSITE