

April 1, 2024

# UTILITY POLICIES AND RATES



## City of Odessa, MO

### Utility Billing & Collection Procedures

Utility meters are read between the 16th-19th of each month. All utility bills are mailed on the last business day of each month and are due by the 15th at 5:00 pm. After the 15th all unpaid bills are assessed a 5% penalty. The first business day following the 20th is DISCONNECT day. If you wish to be reconnected after hours on Disconnect day, there is an ADDITIONAL \$50 charge. If disconnected, the full utility bill plus the disconnect fee must be paid in order to reconnect service.

*\*\*DISCONNECT FEE NOTICE\*\* If you do not pay the city of Odessa utility bill on or before the 20th at 5:00 pm you will incur a \$50 disconnect fee regardless of whether you have been disconnected yet or not.*

Credit/Debit Card Payments Accepted

To pay your utility bill visit [www.municipalonlinepayments.com/odessamo](http://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/odessamo) to pay by credit/debit card; you may and are encouraged to set up auto pay here as well. You may also pay by phone or enroll in Text to Pay by calling 1-888-291-1842. City Hall is opened 8:30-5:00 Monday through Friday, to pay for business license fees, fishing permits, UTV/Golf Cart tags, dog tags and any other City-related charges (you can find all of this information on the subsequent pages) including your utility bill. There is also drop box located at the back of the building to drop off any payments, including by cash and check.

*\*Returned Checks\* If a check is returned to us, for any reason, a door hanger **will** be applied to your front door. You **will** be given until 8:00 a.m. the next business day to pay, IN CASH, the amount of the check and a \$25.00 returned check fee to avoid service interruption.*

**When registering for Online Accounts and Text to Pay please ensure you have your account number which is: \_\_\_\_\_ and the last amount paid, which is currently \$0.**

## Utility Rates

	Base Charge	Usage Charge
Water	\$26.99	\$0.55/100 gallons
Sewer	\$44.49	\$0.655/100 gallons of water usage
C.I.R.A*	\$9.64	Per month- recalculated annually
Trash	\$20.04	Per month
Electric:	ECA**	Per kWh- Recalculated monthly
Residential	\$20.26	\$0.0977/kWh
Commercial	\$41.64	\$0.1288
Industrial	\$55.15	\$0.0972/kWh Demand \$7.12/kW
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\*Each month a Capital Improvement Rate Adjustment (CIRA) will be assessed on each bill where water and sewer is used. This Capital Improvement Rate Adjustment (CIRA) currently is \$9.64 and is annually reevaluated. In 2019 voters approved a bond that was utilized to replace, repair, and update the sewer system in the City of Odessa. This CIRA fee was also approved by voters to pay off the bond.\*

\*\* Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA) is a monthly calculation that appears on a customer's utility bill based on their electric usage. While the CIRA only changes once a year, the ECA fluctuates monthly and may at times appear as a credit on the customer's bill and at other times will appear as a charge. The purpose of this charge is to take into account the fluctuation of the cost of commodities necessary for energy production. \*\*

# Miscellaneous City Hall Services

## **Dog Tags**

Per city ordinance dog tags are required for all dogs inside city limits; additionally, each residential address is only allowed up to four animals, cats and/or dogs combined. The dog's rabies vaccination record and receipt from a licensed veterinarian is required along with a payment of \$7.00. The dog tags are valid from October 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> each year. Also, the City of Odessa has a leash law, which requires that your dogs be on a leash, in a fenced yard, or pen at all times.

## **UTV/Golf Carts**

UTV and golf carts are allowed inside of Odessa city limits with the exception of any state highways, such as 2<sup>nd</sup> St/131. You must have appropriate tags to operate such vehicles. You must take your UTV/Golf Cart to the Odessa Police Department located at 310 S 1<sup>st</sup> St to have it inspected and verified then bring the completed paperwork to City Hall to purchase the tag for \$15.00. ATV's are not allowed on public streets inside of Odessa City limits.

## **Register to Vote**

If you live in the city limits of Odessa, you may register to vote at City Hall during regular business hours (8:30-5:00, Monday-Friday). You will need to have a valid drivers license to register. Elections happen once in April and once in November every year. Voting locations are at New Horizon Presbyterian Church located at 4266 MO-131 as well as the Odessa Community Building located at 601 W Main St.

## **Boating and Fishing in Odessa**

### **Odessa Reservoir**

**No horseback riding, dirt bikes or ATVs permitted anywhere on the premises.**

**City permitted UTVs are allowed ONLY on hard surface roadways.**

#### **Fishing**

- A city fishing and state permit are required to fish at the Odessa Reservoir
- Fishing permits are free to those over the age of 65 and under 16 years of age
- Fishing season is year round and permitted between 6:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.
- More information can be found on the Missouri Department of Conservations website, including state fishing permits

#### **Frog Hunting**

- Frog Hunting season and the method of frogging/limit is set by the Missouri Department of Conservation
  - No guns are allowed to be used for hunting
  - A city fishing permit is required for frog hunting

#### **Boating**

- A city boating permit (\$8.00/year) is required for the Odessa Reservoir and can be obtained at City Hall
    - No boat shall be on the water without a boat permit
  - A permit must be available for inspection by authorized city staff, Odessa Police Department, or the Department of Conservation at any time
    - The minimum boat length is 10 feet
      - No rubber boats allowed
  - All boats used on the city reservoir shall be licensed and operated in accordance with state boating statute and the Missouri State Highway Patrol
    - Motor boats shall be operated in a manner that leaves no wake or wave
  - Pontoon boats are allowed on the Odessa Reservoir provided they do not create wake or remain on the lake overnight
    - You may view the entire boating code at [www.cityofodessamo.com](http://www.cityofodessamo.com)
- (Boating and Fishing continued on next page)

## Lake Venita

### **Fishing**

- A city fishing permit is NOT required on Lake Venita, ONLY a state fishing license is required.
- Fishers must comply with all state fishing and wildlife code requirement

### **Hunting**

- Hunting is prohibited on Lake Venita or its surrounding areas or waters, except frog hunting
- Frog hunting season and the method of frogging/limit is set by the Missouri Department of Conservation and typically runs from June to October
  - No guns are allowed to be used for hunting

### **Boating**

- A city boating permit is NOT required on Lake Venita
  - The minimum boat length is 10 feet
  - No rubber boats allowed
- All boats used on Lake Venita shall be licensed and operated in accordance with state boating statute and the Missouri State Highway Patrol
  - The use of motors on Lake Venita is prohibited except trolling motors
  - You may view the entire boating code at [www.cityofodessamo.com](http://www.cityofodessamo.com)

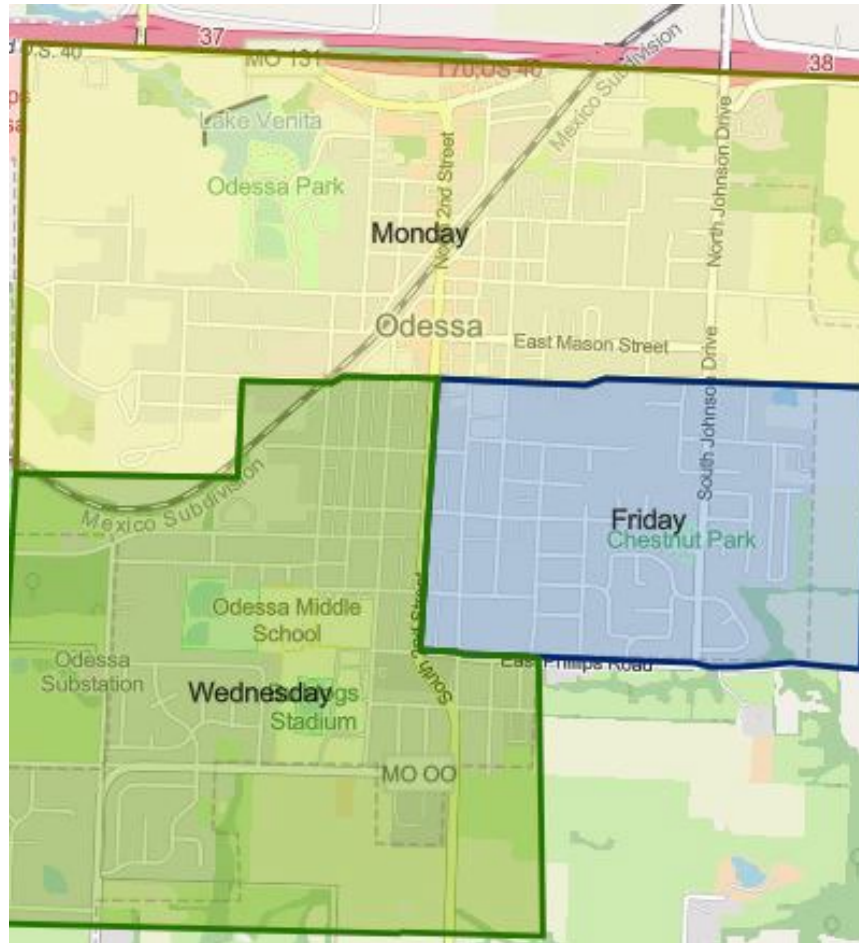
**All persons operating boats upon city lakes shall do so in a safe and prudent manner, as to the safety of persons within such boats and as to persons in other boats. The city shall not be responsible to any boat operator or other person for injury or damage to property due to accidents occurring on Odessa Reservoir or Lake Venita or the surrounding property.**

#### City Lake Fees:

Description	Amount
Fishing permit ( <u>Odessa Reservoir Only</u> )	\$2.00/day or \$8.00/season
Boat Permit	\$8.00/season

## Trash Guidelines

Trash is serviced once per week, and all trash has to fit in the provided trash bin. See service area map below to determine your trash day. Please have your trash at the curb by 6 am on your pick-up day. Extra Trash Bins can be purchased for \$52.00 per year, by calling Republic Services at 660-429-1040. There is a bulk recycling container and two yard waste dumpsters located at 401 N 1st St (directly behind NERD's) for residential use. Your trash bill is included in your monthly utility bill and is currently \$20.04.



## Bulk Pickup

Each residence will be allotted 1 (one) FREE bulk pickup item per year and can have up to 5 items.

Bulk pickups must be scheduled at least 2 (two) days prior to pick up day. To schedule this you may contact Republic Services at 660-429-1040. Please visit [CityofOdessamo.com](http://CityofOdessamo.com) for a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable recycling, bulk items, and yard waste. Solid waste rates will increase 4.5% each year.

All items must be curbside by 6:00 am.





## ON-CALL BULK ITEM PICKUP PROGRAM – (ODESSA MO)

Each residence gets **one FREE bulk pickup per year** & can have **up to 5 items** on that pickup.

This will be an **ON-CALL service**, so residents have the freedom to schedule it when they want to.

### **TO SCHEDULE A BULK PICKUP:**

**Call Republic at (660) 429-1040, give them the home address, what items will be out, & the date wanted to do the pickup. Please give at least a 2-business day notice.**

**Items must be curbside by 7:00 AM the day of the pickup. \*5-ITEM LIMIT\***

*If you already used your Free Pickup & have additional bulk items, call Republic to schedule an additional pickup. It will be \$46/item that the RESIDENT must pre-pay for.*

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### **Accepted Items**

- Furniture.
- Lawnmowers, which must be empty of any fuel or oil.
- Barbeque grills WITHOUT propane tanks.
- Carpeting, up to four-foot-long rolls that are securely tied, weighing less than 40lbs. Two rolls count as one item.
- Mattresses and box springs.
- Wood must be bundled in 4-foot lengths, with each bundle weighing less than 40lbs.
- Misc Debris – must be in bags that are no bigger than 39 gallons and weigh no more than 40lbs...2 bags equal 1 item. No Unaccepted Items are to be put in bags.

### **Unaccepted Items**

- White Goods/Appliances – Missouri Law **prohibits** white goods/appliances in MO landfills. Even if they are freon free. Examples: refrigerator, freezer, washer/dryer, stoves, water tanks.
- Hazardous Waste: flammable, corrosive, explosive, toxic, or radioactive materials, including engine oil, fuel tanks, paint, fluorescent light bulbs, etc.
- Automotive batteries
- Tires
- Compressed gas cylinders
- Riding lawnmowers.
- Glass panels where any dimension exceeds four feet
- Yard Waste, Brush, or tree limbs.
- Rocks, bricks, or concrete
- Latex or oil-based paint.
- Fertilizer, pesticide, solvent.
- Construction material larger than 4x4, roofing material, loose flooring materials, or railroad ties.
- Liquid waste.
- Any waste or material that is prohibited from being received, managed, or disposed at a landfill.

\*CONTRACTOR HAS THE ABILITY TO ALTER THE ACCEPTED vs UNACCPETED LIST DUE TO UNFORSEEN FACTORS, REGULATIONS, LEGISLATURE. CONTRACTOR MUST NOTIFY THE CITY OF CHANGES.\*

# Important Phone Numbers

EMERGENCY (POLICE/AMBULANCE/FIRE)	911
Fire Department (Non-Emergency)	816-633-7182
Police Department (Non-Emergency)	816-633-7575
City Hall	816-230-5577
Court Clerk	ext 1
Community Development	ext 2
Utility Billing	ext 3
Accounts Payable/Collector	ext 4
Finance Director	ext 5
City Clerk	ext 6
City Administrator	ext 7
Public Works Departments	
Water/Streets	816-565-3926
Electric	816-633-5521
Wastewater	816-518-7952
Odessa Parks and Recreation	816-633-8324
CenturyLink Telephone	800-788-3500
Spire (Gas)	800-582-1234
Xfinity/Comcast Residential	800-892-8719
Xfinity/Comcast Business	816-627-9526
Republic Services	660-429-1040
(for missed pickups or billing questions please call 816-230-5577 ext 3)	
USPS	816-230-8081
Odessa Library	816-633-4089
Poison Control	800-366-8888
Missouri License Bureau	660-259-2872
(located in Lexington, across from court house)	
Lafayette County Assessor	660-259-6158

\*Note, you will need to call this number to be put on the City and County tax rolls.\*