

ORDINANCE NO. 1577

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BONNEY LAKE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 13.12 OF THE BONNEY LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE AND THE CORRESPONDING PORTIONS OF ORDINANCE NOS. 1565 AND 1465 RELATING TO SEWER RATES AND CHARGES.

WHEREAS, the City has recently completed updated comprehensive plans for the water and sewer systems of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has recently had a utility rate and system development charge study completed by the Financial Consulting Services Group; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that as a result of these comprehensive studies sewer rates need to be modified in order to assure continuance of a reliable sewer collection and transmission system;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BONNEY LAKE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. BLMC Section 13.12.082 and the corresponding sections of Ordinance Nos. 1565 and 1465 are hereby amended to read as follows:

13.12.082 Sewer charges.

A. Each single-family resident not requiring or using a city-owned grinder pump shall pay the following monthly fees for sewer services, effective on July 1, 2017 as follows:

Charge	July 1, 2017
Sewer availability charge	\$57.88 <u>\$61.06</u>
Volumetric charge per 100 cubic feet (CCF) of monthly water consumption	\$3.60 <u>\$3.80</u>

The volumetric charge shall be capped at 10 CCF per month. Sewer availability charges shall be billed monthly. Volumetric charges for single-family residences shall be billed bimonthly.

B. Each single-family resident using a city-owned grinder pump shall pay the following monthly fees for sewer services:

Charge	July 1, 2017
Sewer availability charge	\$69.44 <u>\$73.26</u>
Volumetric charge per 100 cubic feet (CCF) of monthly water consumption	\$3.60 <u>\$3.80</u>

The volumetric charge shall be capped at 10 CCF per month. Sewer availability charges shall be billed monthly. Volumetric charges for single-family residences shall be billed bimonthly.

C. Discount for Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons. Owners of single-family residences who have qualified for real estate property tax exemption through the Pierce County assessor-treasurer's office on the basis of age and/or disability, and who present proof thereof to the appropriate authority of the city, shall qualify and be entitled to a reduced sewer rate as may from time to time be set by the city council and as established as a 20 percent reduction from the sewer availability charge.

D. Sewer Service Charges for Customers Other than Single-Family Residential.

1. Multifamily and duplex customers on a single water meter shall pay the single-family sewer availability charge (no grinder pump) for each unit. The volumetric charge shall be capped at eight CCF per unit per month for multifamily customers.

2. Mobile home park customers shall be charged at the single-family rate. Where multiple mobile home units use one water meter, each unit shall pay the single-family sewer availability charge (no grinder pump). The volumetric charge shall be capped at 10 CCF per unit per month.

3. Nonresidential customers, including commercial, retail, office, recreational vehicle parks, industrial, and churches, shall pay one single-family sewer availability charge (no grinder pump) per installed water meter. There shall be no volumetric cap for nonresidential customers.

4. Sewer charges for customers other than single-family residential shall be billed monthly.

E. In the event of a water leak, upon following procedures as set forth in BLMC 13.04.100(G), the adjustment to the volumetric portion of the sewer charge shall be two-thirds of that portion of the customer's consumption bill.

13.12.085 Annual rate adjustment.

Effective January 1st of 2016, the sanitary sewer rates listed in BLMC 13.12.082 shall be adjusted by the annual change in the most recent Seattle-Bremerton-Tacoma Consumer Price Index (Urban Consumers) published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

13.12.090 Grinder pump service charges.

For every building using a domestic grinder lift pump utilizing electric power furnished by the city or maintained by the city, there shall be an additional monthly charge of ~~\$18.00~~ 20.00 to reimburse the city for the cost of the electric power and/or for maintenance or service on the pump

Section 2. BLMC Section 13.12.100 and the corresponding sections of Ordinance Nos. 1565 and 1465 are hereby amended to read as follows:

13.12.100 Sewer service applications and connection charges.

A. All applications for sewer service shall be made by the property owner or authorized agent. The records of the Pierce County auditor shall be prima facie proof of property ownership. The applicant shall furnish the city such information as may be required on the city's application form. The applicant shall agree to conform to the rules and regulations for the operation of the city's sewer system as set forth in this chapter. Applications for sewer service shall expire in 180 days if no sewer permit has been issued. A 180-day extension may be granted for justifiable cause, including but not limited to extension of the related building permit application for 180 days.

B. No connection shall be made to the city's sewer system without a sewer permit having been issued. Sewer permits shall expire if no connection has been made within 180 days of issuance. A 180-day extension may be granted for justifiable cause, including but not limited to extension of the related building permit for 180 days.

C. Charges to connect to the city sewer system shall be due and payable upon issuance of a permit for connection to the city sewer system and shall be charged at the rate in effect at the time of application for sewer service pursuant to this chapter.

D. Residential System Development Charges (SDC).

1. The SDC for a single-family residence (new construction) shall be the charge applicable to one residential equivalent (RE), \$10,505 effective January 1, 2014.

2. The SDC for an existing single-family residence served by an on-site septic disposal system shall be the charge applicable to one residential equivalent (RE), \$10,505 effective January 1, 2014.

3. The SDC for each unit of a duplex shall be the charge applicable to one residential equivalent (RE) unit, \$10,505 effective January 1, 2014.

4. In addition to the SDC provided in this subsection, there shall be a surcharge of \$2,568 for each residential equivalent (RE) connection to the sewer system within the Fennel Creek sewer lift station service area, as shown on Exhibit "A" attached to the ordinance codified in this section and on file in the office of the city clerk.

5. The SDC for multifamily residential buildings with more than two units shall be as follows, effective January 1, 2014:

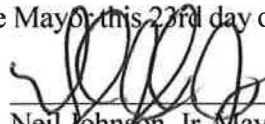
- a. Eighty percent of the SDC applicable to one residential equivalent (RE) per dwelling unit for three or more bed/bonus room units;
- b. Seventy percent of the SDC applicable to one residential equivalent (RE) per dwelling unit for two bed/bonus room units;
- c. Sixty percent of the SDC applicable to one residential equivalent (RE) per dwelling unit for one bed/bonus room unit;
- d. Fifty percent of the SDC applicable to one residential equivalent (RE) per dwelling unit for studio/efficiency units.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance.

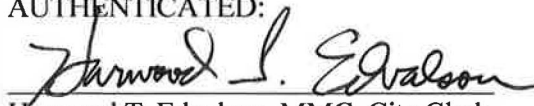
Section 4. The Mayor is hereby authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directions of this legislation.

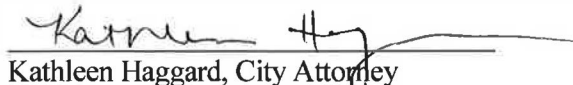
Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law, but no earlier than July 1, 2017.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 23rd day of May, 2017.



 Neil Johnson, Jr. Mayor

AUTHENTICATED:

 Harwood T. Edvalson, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

 Kathleen Haggard, City Attorney

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City of Bonney Lake, Washington
City Council Agenda Bill (AB)

Department/Staff Contact: Executive / Don Morrison	Meeting/Workshop Date: 23 May 2017	Agenda Bill Number: AB17-40
Agenda Item Type: Ordinance	Ordinance/Resolution Number: D17-40	Councilmember Sponsor: Lewis

Agenda Subject: Sewer Rate Adjustment

Full Title/Motion: An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending Chapter 13.12 Of The Bonney Lake Municipal Code And The Corresponding Portions Of Ordinance Nos. 1565 And 1465 Relating To Sewer Rates And Charges..

Administrative Recommendation: Reject both options in the packet and adopt the original draft ordinance with rates identified through 2022 as recommended by FCSG.

Background Summary: FCSG recently completed a comprehensive utility rate study for the City. An ordinance was prepared adopting the recommended rate structure provided by the consultant. Council has determined that more review is necessary and has asked staff to amend the ordinance to remove the proposed rate increases targeted for 2018-2022. Attached are two options. One with the FCSG recommended increase for 2017, effective 7/1 at 5.5%, and Option A with a rate increase of 5%, also effective 7/1. Sewer SDC charges would be increased \$1,101 per residential equivalent unit (RE) per FCSG's recommendation
Attachments: Ord D17-40, D17-40 Option A

BUDGET INFORMATION				
Budget Amount	Current Balance	Required Expenditure	Budget Balance	Fund Source
				<input type="checkbox"/> General <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utilities <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Budget Explanation: NA				

COMMITTEE, BOARD & COMMISSION REVIEW			
Council Committee Review:	Other Date:	<i>Approvals:</i> Chair/Councilmember Councilmember Councilmember	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Forward to:	Consent Agenda:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Commission/Board Review:			
Hearing Examiner Review:			

COUNCIL ACTION	
Workshop Date(s): April 18, 2017, 5/2/17	Public Hearing Date(s):
Meeting Date(s): 5/9/17	Tabled to Date:

APPROVALS		
Director:	Mayor:	Date Reviewed by City Attorney: (if applicable)