

CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 3475

A Resolution Setting Wastewater Utility Rates

Findings

A. The City of Newport operates a wastewater utility that collects and treats wastewater from customer's service to properties within the City and to some properties within the City's urban growth area.

B. Newport Municipal Code Chapter 5.15 governs the operation and use of the wastewater utility. NMC Section 5.15.070 authorizes the City Council to set rates for wastewater service by resolution.

C. The rates established by this resolution are calculated to cover the costs of sewer service, including amounts to pay for the operation, maintenance, repair, replacement and improvement of the system, but do not generate revenue above what is needed for sound operation and management of the sewer system.

Based on these findings, the City of Newport resolves as follows:

Section 1. Metered Rate, Inside City

The charges imposed in this Section 1 apply to properties that have metered City water service.

A. *Single—Family Residences and Duplexes*

The charge for sewer service for single-family dwellings and duplexes shall be \$13.90 per month, plus \$4.00 per 1,000 gallons of water usage. Sewer user charges for the months of June, July, August and September shall not exceed the highest monthly sewer user charge for the first four months of the calendar year.

B. *Multi-Family Residences and Commercial Properties*

The basic charge for service for residential properties with three or more dwelling units and for all commercial properties shall be \$13.90 per month plus \$4.55 per 1,000 gallons of water usage.

An "Extra Strength Charge" of \$0.95 per thousand gallons applies to commercial properties users when the combined biochemical oxygen demand and suspended solids strength of wastewater is greater than 600 milligrams per liter.

The charges for monitoring sewage discharge shall be \$13.75 per sample and \$7.15 per test.

C. *Infrastructure Improvement Fee*

In addition to the charges established under Sections 1.A, 1.B and 2, each customer shall pay a monthly infrastructure improvement fee. The fees are set as follows:

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Monthly Infrastructure Improvement Fee</u>
¾ inch	\$5.15
1 inch	\$10.30
1 ½ inch	\$20.60
2 inch	\$36.05
3 inch	\$92.70
4 inch	\$144.20
5 & 6 inch	\$329.60

Irrigation-only meters will be exempt from the Infrastructure Improvement Fee.

Section 2. Individually Determined Rate

Commercial customers that are legally disposing of all or part of their processing wastewater to an acceptable waterway in conformance with applicable Federal, State and City laws, regulations and permits shall have an sewer user charge established by the City Manager based on an individual determination of the impact of the property on the sewer system. The City Manager shall take into account, when establishing the sewer rate, the estimated quantity in gallons, as well as, any adverse treatment or maintenance costs that may be incurred by the City handling extra strength wastewater that is being returned to the City sanitary sewers.

Section 3. Septage

The rate for disposal of septage at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant shall be \$0.20 per gallon.

Section 4. Class A Sludge Sales

Class A sludge manufactured at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant may be purchased for \$1.30 per cubic yard.

Section 5. Effective Date

The charges established by this resolution shall be effective starting August 1, 2009. The effective date applies to the date sewer bills are due and payable, not to the date of service.

Adopted by a 6-0 vote of the Newport City Council on July 6, 2009.

Signed on July 6, 2009.



William D. Bain
Mayor

ATTEST:



Peggy Hawker
City Recorder