

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-66

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CLEAN WATER SERVICES
SANITARY SEWER UTILITY RATES, SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT RATES,
SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES AND
SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
2018, AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NOS. 2017-39 AND 2017-40**

WHEREAS, Forest Grove Code Section 52.01(A) and as set forth in the Agreement with Clean Water Services, Page 5, Section 4.B., of the Agreement requires the City to collect rates and charges set by Clean Water Services (CWS) and that the Council establish those rates annually by resolution; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water Services provides the City of Forest Grove sanitary sewer treatment and surface water management (SWM) billed on per dwelling unit; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water Services has set regional utility rates for its sewer and SWM utilities, effective July 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water Services increased sewer rates by 3.0% and SWM rates by 6.4%, effective July 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City has already set its local sewer and SWM rates, effective July 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water Services Board of Directors increased its SWM System Development Charges (SDC) by \$15, raising the fee from \$530 to \$545 per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU), effective July 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water Services Board of Directors increased its Sanitary Sewer SDC by \$150, raising the fee from \$5,500 to \$5,650 per EDU, effective July 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City of Forest Grove will retain 20 percent (20%) of the Sanitary Sewer SDC as set forth by Clean Water Services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF FOREST GROVE
AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1: The City Council authorizes the City to collect Sanitary Sewer and Surface Water Management rates and charges as set forth by Clean Water Services Board of Directors, effective July 1, 2018.

Section 2: The City Council authorizes the City to collect Sanitary Sewer and Surface Water Management System Development Charges as set forth by Clean Water Services Board of Directors, effective July 1, 2018.

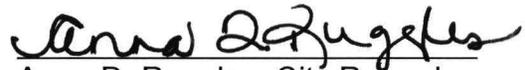
Section 3: The City of Forest Grove shall retain 20 percent (20%) of the Sanitary Sewer Development Charges as set forth by Clean Water Services Board of Directors to be effective July 1, 2018.

Section 4: The above rates shall become effective July 1, 2018.

Section 5: Resolutions No. 2017-39 and 2017-40 are repealed upon the effective implementation date of the foregoing rates.

Section 6: This resolution is effective immediately upon its enactment by the City Council.

PRESENTED AND PASSED this 25th day of June, 2018.


Anna D. Ruggles, City Recorder

APPROVED by the Mayor this 25th day of June, 2018.


Peter B. Truax, Mayor



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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TO: City Council

FROM: Jesse VanderZanden, City Manager

MEETING DATE: June 25, 2018

PROJECT TEAM: Rob Foster, Public Works Director
Paul Downey, Administrative Services Director

SUBJECT TITLE: Sewer Rate Increase for FY 2018-19

ACTION REQUESTED:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Order	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Informational
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ISSUE STATEMENT: Each year, Clean Water Services (CWS) sets its regional sewer and surface water management (SWM) utility rates and the Sewer and SWM System Development Charges (SDC). City Code Section 52.01(A) states “the sewer system development charge includes the orders, standards, specifications, work programs, and performance criteria adopted annually by Clean Water Services (CWS), copies of which are on file in the City Recorder’s Office, are governed by an intergovernmental agreement between the city and CWS. Clean Water Services rates apply in the city and are established annually by Council resolution.” The City needs to adopt a resolution accepting CWS rates and SDC set by CWS, effective July 1, 2018, as required by City Code. Staff has prepared a resolution for the Council to accept those rates and SDC.

BACKGROUND: CWS is only setting the regional rates that cities have agreed to collect for CWS. The cities set their own local rates for the sewer and SWM functions performed by the cities.

CWS had adopted a three percent increase for rates for FY 2018-19 to \$8.64 per month per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU). That increase combined with the City’s 3% increase to its local rate that the City Council has already adopted will increase the total residential sewer bill by approximately \$1.30 per month effective July 1, 2018.

For the Sewer SDC, CWS has increased the Sewer SDC to \$5,650 from \$5,500 per EDU, effective July 1, 2018, for an increase of \$150. Based on the current agreement with CWS, CWS receives 80% of that charge and the City retains the remaining 20%.

CWS had adopted a 6.4% increase to SWM rates, effective July 1, 2018, which increases that rate from \$2.06 to \$2.19 per month. That increase combined with the City's adopted rate increase will increase the total residential SWM charge by \$0.46 per month, effective July 1, 2018.

For the SWM SDC, CWS has increased the SWM SDC to \$545 from \$530 per EDU, effective July 1, 2018, for an increase of \$15. The City currently retains all of the SWM SDC.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact to the CWS utility rate increases as the funds collected by the City for CWS are remitted to CWS in the month after they are collected. The limited SDC retained by the City gives the City some additional funding for future capital projects.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the City Council approve the attached resolution accepting CWS's utility rate and SDC increases effective July 1, 2018.

ATTACHMENT(s): Resolution