

CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 3721

A Resolution Setting Wastewater Utility Rates
and Repealing Resolution No. 3680

Findings

- A. The City of Newport operates a wastewater utility that collects and treats wastewater from properties within the city and to some properties outside of the city limits but 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, necessary 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 Rates

The charges imposed in this Section 1 apply to properties that have sanitary sewer service.

A. Single-Family Residences and Duplexes within City Limits

The charge for sewer service for single-family dwellings and duplexes within city limits shall be \$22.90 per month, plus \$6.60 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, Commercial Properties, and Single-Family Residences and Duplexes outside of city Limits

The basic charge for service for residential properties with three or more dwelling units, for all commercial properties, and for single-family residences and duplexes outside of City limits shall be \$22.90 per month plus \$7.55 per 1,000 gallons of water usage.

An "Extra Strength Charge" of \$0.30 per pound of biochemical oxygen demand applies to commercial properties users when the biochemical oxygen demand exceeds 300 parts per million.

The charges for monitoring sewage discharge shall be \$15.80 per combined sample and \$8.25 per test.

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 a 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 \$0.18 per gallon.

Section 4. Class A Sludge Sales

Class A sludge manufactured at the city's wastewater treatment plant may be purchased for \$2.00 per cubic yard.

Section 5. This Resolution repeals Resolution No. 3680 in its entirety.

Section 6. Effective Date

The effective date of this resolution is July 1, 2015. As applied to monthly bills, the change shall be based on the date of billing, not the date of service.

Adopted by the Newport City Council on June 15, 2015.

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Sandra N. Roumagoux, Mayor

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Hawker
Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder