

ORDINANCE NO. 1760

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OAK HARBOR ESTABLISHING A THREE-YEAR RATE SCHEDULE FOR WASTEWATER SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Harbor has adopted a Comprehensive Sewer Plan which is on file with the City Clerk and which describe the City's plan for this utility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Harbor is a Phase II city under the NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) Permit administered by the Department of Ecology and is required to meet the conditions of the Phase II NPDES Permit; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Harbor wishes to establish wastewater utility rates which will cover the costs of operating the utility systems and the costs of necessary capital improvements and which are fair and equitable to all classes of customers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oak Harbor retained the services of HDR Engineering Inc. (HDR) to perform a comprehensive rate study of the City's Wastewater utility; and

WHEREAS, HDR has concluded that the current rate structures for the Wastewater utility requires an amendment to reflect the financial needs for operations and capital improvements for the utility; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted policies for the establishment of rates for wastewater services; and

WHEREAS, the utility rates must be set by ordinance in accordance with OHMC 14.05.030.

Now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAK HARBOR do ordain as follows:

Section One. Pursuant to the policies established in Ch.14.05 OHMC, the following rates are set for wastewater service by the City of Oak Harbor Wastewater Utility:

MONTHLY WASTEWATER RATE	Effective 12/20/2016	Effective 12/20/2017	Effective 12/20/2018
Residential			
Monthly Base Rate	\$77.70	\$89.36	\$102.76
Multi-Family/Unit			
per Customer	\$59.04	\$67.90	\$78.08
per Account	\$7.68	\$8.83	\$10.16

Commercial, Churches, & Non-profits			
Monthly Base Rate	\$67.50	\$77.63	\$89.27
<i>Volume/Flow (\$/CCF)</i>			
All Volume/CCF	\$8.16	\$9.38	\$10.79
Schools			
Monthly Base Rate	\$54.00	\$62.10	\$71.42
<i>Volume/Flow (\$/CCF)</i>			
All CCF	\$8.16	\$9.38	\$10.79
<i>* Outside City limit rates are subject to a 1 1/2 rate differential.</i>			
<i>** Commercial Laundromats will receive a 10% reduction in the water consumption</i>			

Section Two. Copies of Utility Rate Ordinance Posted and On File. A copy of this utility rate ordinance shall be on file with the city clerk and shall be available for inspection and copying by the public. A copy of this utility rate ordinance shall also be posted on the City's website.

Section Three. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Section Four. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effective on December 20, 2016.

PASSED by the City Council this 15th day of March, 2016.

THE CITY OF OAK HARBOR



Robert Severns, Mayor

3-16-16
Date

Attest:



Anna Thompson, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Nikki Esparza, City Attorney

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