

City of Lynnwood

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**CITY OF LYNNWOOD  
ORDINANCE NO. 2659**

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW RATE STRUCTURE AND RATES FOR THE SEWER UTILITY TO IMPLEMENT THE RECENTLY ADOPTED CITY OF LYNNWOOD WASTEWATER COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND TO PROVIDE NECESSARY REVENUES TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND ONGOING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE SEWER SYSTEM AND TO PRESERVE THE SOLVENCY OF THE UTILITY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 14.40.010, 14.40.025, 14.40.035 AND 14.40.040 OF THE LYNNWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR SUMMARY PUBLICATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Lynnwood Wastewater Comprehensive Plan dated January 2006 defines the Operations and Maintenance and Capital needs of the sewer utility; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to base sewer rates on the actual cost of providing all maintenance and operations services and capital construction costs ; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to base sewer rates on the cost of treating sewage by charging customers based on the volume and nature or strength of the wastewater produced; and

WHEREAS, the new sewer rates move toward equity to the ratepayer by charging for the amount of service used; and

WHEREAS, the sewer rate structure was last adjusted in 2005 and before that in 1993;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 14.40.010 of the Lynnwood Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

**14.40.010 Rates.**

Rates for sewer services shall be as established in the schedules set forth in this chapter. The rate per month shall be comprised of a base monthly charge and a volume charge based on the metered volume of water consumption and the nature or strength of wastewater produced. The nature or strength of the wastewater produced will place



<b>Residential-Multiple-Unit Per unit*</b>						
Mo. Base Rate (incl. 10 ccf per unit)	\$22.00	\$25.38	\$26.25	\$26.75	\$27.13	\$27.25
Mo. Volume Charge >10 ccf per unit	\$2.00*	\$2.25*	\$2.35*	\$2.45*	\$2.50*	\$2.55*
<b>Residential-Mobile-Per unit* - NEW</b>						
Mo. Base Rate (incl. 10 ccf per unit)	\$12.40	\$16.13	\$17.88	\$19.88	\$22.13	\$27.25
Mo. Volume Charge >10 ccf per unit	\$2.00*	\$2.25*	\$2.35*	\$2.45*	\$2.50*	\$2.55*
<b>Commercial/Industrial (based on meter size)</b>						
5/8-3/4 Inch Meter	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$39.00
1 Inch Meter	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
1-1/2 Inch Meter	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
2 Inch Meter	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
3 Inch Meter	\$302.50	\$302.50	\$302.50	\$302.50	\$302.50	\$302.50
4 Inch Meter	\$382.50	\$382.50	\$382.50	\$382.50	\$382.50	\$382.50
6 Inch Meter	\$567.50	\$567.50	\$567.50	\$567.50	\$567.50	\$567.50
<b>SEWER ONLY ACCOUNTS</b>						
Residential Single-Unit	\$26.40	\$30.50	\$30.90	\$31.30	\$31.70	\$32.15
Residential-Multiple-Unit Per unit	\$22.00	\$25.25	\$26.25	\$27.25	\$27.80	\$28.40
Commercial/Industrial Per account	\$63.95	\$72.95	\$75.85	\$78.75	\$80.20	\$80.65

\* Base rate per unit plus volume over 10 ccf per unit

\*\* For next additional 17.5 CCF (No charges are incurred for volumes over the additional 17.5 CCF per month)

**TABLE 2. STRENGTH CHARGES**

CUSTOMER CLASSIFICATION	2007 Monthly Rate	2008 Monthly Rate	2009 Monthly Rate	2010 Monthly Rate	2011 Monthly Rate	2012 Monthly Rate
Strength <3 per ccf	\$1.72	\$2.34	\$2.54	\$2.74	\$2.84	\$2.87
Strength =3 per ccf	\$2.36	\$2.90	\$2.92	\$2.96	\$2.99	\$3.08
Strength =4 per	\$3.10	\$4.00	\$4.54	\$5.22	\$5.33	\$5.46

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Strength =5 per ccf	\$3.96	\$4.80	\$5.33	\$5.84	\$6.09	\$6.11

Section 4. Section 14.40.040 of the Lynnwood Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

**14.40.040 Schedule III – Special.**

A. Persons of the age of 61 years or older, meeting the qualifications specified in subsection (B) of this section and RCW 84.36.381, shall be charged at a special sewer rate:

50% of the residential single unit monthly rate and volume charges.

CUSTOMER CLASSIFICATION	2007 Monthly Rate	2008 Monthly Rate	2009 Monthly Rate	2010 Monthly Rate	2011 Monthly Rate	2012 Monthly Rate
<b>Special</b>						
Mo. Base Rate (incl. 10 ccf)	\$12.63	\$14.50	\$14.75	\$15.00	\$15.25	\$15.50
Mo. Volume Charge >10 ccf	\$1.00**	\$1.13**	\$1.18**	\$1.23**	\$1.25**	\$1.28**

\*\* For next additional 17.5 CCF (No charges are incurred for volumes over the additional 17.5 CCF per month)

B. Qualifications for said rate shall be:

1. The property to which the utility service is extended shall have a valid property tax exemption from Snohomish County, pursuant to RCW 84.36.381 through 84.36.385.
2. Claimants for said reduction shall occupy site as principle residence and be within the corporate limits of the city of Lynnwood and have a household income level no greater than and as prescribed in RCW 84.36.381.


C. The city council, by appropriation from the water and sewer fund, shall pay those capital costs as allocated in the sewer rate model, "total rate requirements and calculation by customer class" module to senior citizens, thereby lowering the actual monthly rate to be charged to senior citizens in single-family residences.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity or

constitutionality of any other section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect February 1, 2007 which is more than five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title.

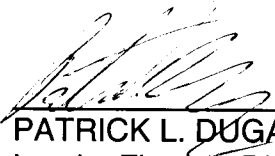
PASSED THIS 11th day of December, 2006, and signed in authentication of its passage this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.



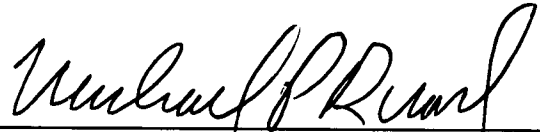
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