

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING SECTION 21-112 OF CHAPTER 21 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, CONTINGENT ON VOTER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE O-1314-9 BY INCREASING THE SEWER SERVICE RATES BY AN ADDITIONAL ONE DOLLAR AND TEN CENTS (\$1.10) PER MONTH FOR A BASE SEWER CHARGE OF FIVE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$5.00) AND AN ADDITIONAL ONE DOLLAR AND TEN CENTS (\$1.10) PER THOUSAND GALLONS OF SEWAGE TREATMENT FOR A SEWER USE CHARGE OF TWO DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$2.70) PER THOUSAND GALLONS OF SEWAGE TREATMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SAID INCREASE SUBJECT TO VOTER APPROVAL; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

- § 1. WHEREAS, the rates for sewage service provided in the City of Norman and currently in effect in the City were last increased in September 17, 1996;
- § 2. WHEREAS, costs of providing sewer service has increased since the last rate increase making it necessary to adjust the sewer service rates to keep projected revenues within projected expenditures in the sewer fund and to cover the cost of providing of sewer service in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 3. That should voters approve the rate increase in sewer service set out in Ordinance No. O-1314-9, then Section 21-112 of Chapter 21 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, shall be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-112. Rates for sewer service.

- (a) All users of the sanitary sewer service shall be charged a base sewer service charge of five dollars and zero cents (\$5.00) per month. A user of the service is defined as:
 - (1) Any separately metered business, commercial, industrial, institutional or residential entity.
 - (2) Each apartment within an apartment or townhouse dwelling structure, whether jointly or severally metered.
 - (3) Each mobile home, whether jointly or severally metered.
 - (4) Each unit of five (5) bedrooms, or fraction thereof, within rooming, boarding, or fraternal housing.
- (b) In addition to the base charge, each user shall pay a sewer use charge of two dollars and seventy cents (\$2.70) per thousand gallons of sewage treatment, computed as follows:

- (1) Business, commercial, industrial, and institutional users of the service discharge eighty (80) percent of the monthly water use into the sanitary sewer system for treatment.
- (2) All other users discharge eighty (80) percent of the average monthly water billed during the previous December, January, and February into the sanitary sewer system for treatment.
- (3) In the event of an inadequate or unavailable history to compute usage in accordance with section (b)(2) above, the sewer user charge is as follows:
 - a. Mobile homes, six dollars and forty cents (\$6.40) per month;
 - b. Apartments, per unit, five dollars and fifteen cents (\$5.15) per month;
 - c. Single-family residence, eight dollars and sixty-two cents (\$8.62) per month;
 - d. Rooming, boarding or fraternal housing, per five-bedroom unit or fraction thereof, thirteen dollars and seven cents (\$13.07) per month.

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§ 4. Effective date. The rates described above shall be effective for all billings issued on or after the 1st day of December, 2013, and thereafter conditioned upon said rate increase being approved by a majority of the registered voters voting in an election called for the purpose of approving or rejecting said rates; Said election to be held on the 12th day of November, 2013.

§ 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance, except, that the effective date provision shall not be severable from the operative provisions of the ordinance.

ADOPTED this _____ day
of _____, 2013.

Cindy Rosenthal, Mayor

NOT ADOPTED this _____ day
of _____, 2013.

Cindy Rosenthal, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Hall, City Clerk