## Ordinance 24-08

## AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 5.25.010

## An ordinance of the City of Aniak, Alaska Amending Chapter 5.25.010 Section 2 Definitions, Section 3 Utility Rates, and the Addition of Section 4 Adjustments & Annual Review

<u>WHEREAS</u>, The City of Aniak Council recognizes the need to establish fair and equitable utility rates for the provision of sewer and public works utilities; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, it is necessary to define classifications for utility customers to ensure consistent application of rates;

<u>And WHEREAS</u>, updates & adjustments to customer accounts on an annual basis to reflect consumption levels & the impact on our sewer system

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the city council of Aniak, as follows,

#### **SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

This ordinance Amendment establishes utility rates for residential and commercial customers, defines this classification and ensures the financial sustainability of the City's utility services by adding the following to 5.25.010.

#### **SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS**

1. Residential Customer

A residential customer is defined as an individual or household receiving utility services primarily for domestic purposes in a dwelling unit. This includes

- Single-family homes
- Duplexes, triplexes, and any other multi- unit residences not classified as commercial properties
  - Apartments where utilities are billed individually
- 2. Commercial Customer

A commercial customer is defined as any entity receiving utility services primarily for business, industrial or institutional purposes. This includes, but not limited to:

- Business, retail stores, and offices
- Schools, clinics, non-residential institutions or entities.

#### **SECTION 3. UTILITY RATES**

1. Residential Rates

Residential utility rates shall be set to cover operation, maintenance and capital improvement costs of the utility system for domestic usage. Rates shall be based on the following:

- A fixed monthly rate base sewer Utility fee of \$75.00.

- A fixed monthly rate base Public Works fee of \$25.00.
- 2. Commercial Rates

Commercial utility rates shall be structured to reflect higher consumption levels and the impact on the system's infrastructure. Rates shall be based on the following:

- A fixed monthly base of \$250.00 up to 12 people per commercial entity.
- A fixed monthly base of Public Works fee of \$50.00.
- A monthly rate shall be determined based off the number of events/people on the application if more than 12 people will be utilizing the building. Use Rate = 0.7 x, where x is the number of people days.

#### SECTION 4 ADJUSTMENTS AND ANNUAL REVIEW

Utility rates shall be revised annually by the City of Aniak Council to ensure alignment with operational costs and inflation. Adjustments may be implemented through council approval and adequate public notices.

Voting	YES	<u>NO</u>
David Bonanno		
William Wilson		
Samantha Charles		
Andrew Folz		
Annie Morgan		
Clara Morgan		
Lisa Seavey		

## Date Introduced: January 15, 2025 Reading/Public Hearing: February 19,2025

# AMENDMENT PASSED AND APROVED BY A DULY CONSTITUED QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL THIS \_\_\_\_\_DAY OF\_\_\_\_, 2025

Mayor: David W. Bonanno

City Clerk: Morgan Simeon