

ORDINANCE NO. 22-026

AN ORDINANCE amending certain sections of Chapter 13.72 of the Camas Municipal Code relating to Sewer System Development Charges.

WHEREAS, Section 35.92.025 of the Revised Code of Washington provides the statutory authority for cities to charge property owners seeking to connect to the sewer system of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Camas commissioned Corollo Engineers to complete an update to its General Sewer Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 update to the General Sewer Plan has heretofore been completed and adopted by Council subject to any requested revisions by the Washington State Department of Ecology; and

WHEREAS, the General Sewer Plan includes a revised 20-year Capital Improvement Plan consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has commissioned FCS Group, a professional financial consultant with vast experience in rate, impact fee and system development charge analysis, to prepare an update to the Sewer System Development Charges of the City; and

WHEREAS, FCS Group has completed an updated calculation of the maximum allowable Sewer System Development Charge based on the capital improvement plan provided for in the completed update to the General Sewer Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has held public meetings in which the calculation and basis of the Sewer System Development Charges has been presented and discussed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the information provided by FCS Group and staff, including but not limited to the number of system development charge zones and

structure to be used in the system development charge calculation, and the equitable financial share proposed developments have in the system; and

WHEREAS, taking all information into consideration, the City Council has elected to adopt a system-wide Sewer System Development Charge that is less than the calculated maximum allowable.

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

Section I

Section 13.72.020 of the Camas Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

13.72.020 Definitions.

Unless otherwise specifically defined, the terms used in this chapter shall have the following meanings:

"Average day flow" means the average volume of waste water flowing from a user over a twenty-four-hour period measured in million gallons per day (MGD).

"Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)" means the quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five days at twenty degrees Centigrade, and shall be measured in pounds per day.

"City" means that use classification for the city and other public or nonprofit customers whose waste flows are typical of those associated with single-family residential structures.

"Commercial" means that use classification of nonresidential properties who contribute flows to the sewer system except those users classified as Industrial or Non-Typical.

"Engineer" means the engineer of the City of Camas, or his duly authorized deputies or representatives.

"Industrial or Non-Typical" customers means that use classification of nonresidential property owners who contribute sewage with a flow and/or strength in excess of the typical Commercial class.

"Multifamily" means that use classification of residential property owners whose structure contains two or more residential dwelling units.

"Sewage" means a combination of water-carried waste from residences, business buildings, institutions and industrial establishments, together with such ground, surface, and storm waters as may be present.

"Sewer system" means all facilities for collecting, transporting, pumping, treating and disposing of sewage.

"Single-family" means that use classification of residential property owners whose structure contains one residential dwelling unit.

"Suspended solids (SS)" means solids that either float on the surface of or are suspended in water, sewage, or other liquids, and which are removable by laboratory filtering, and which shall be measured in pounds per day.

Section II

Section 13.72.040 of the Camas Municipal Code is hereby amended by repealing subsections A and B thereof.

Section III

Section 13.72.060 of the Camas Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

13.72.060 Rates.

- (a) The sewer system development charge for properties classified as single family, multi-family, city and commercial shall be as follows:

CITY OF CAMAS SEWER SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGE RATES
Effective from January 1, 2023

Meter Size	City-Wide Charge
Residential	\$7,120
Commercial	
¾"	\$7,120
1"	\$11,866
1.5"	\$23,732
2"	\$37,971
3"	\$71,195
4"	\$118,659

- (b) The sewer system development charge for properties classified as Industrial or Non-Typical Customer, shall be determined by the public works director based on a separate engineering study to be completed by the applicant and approved by the City. The factors used to determine the Industrial or Non-Typical system development charges shall include such things as the average daily flow, peak flow, BOD pounds per day and suspended solids pounds per day discharged to the City's system, and other such factors deemed necessary by the City.
- (c) The sewer system development charge may be indexed annually, beginning January 1, 2024, to address inflation based on the Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index for the City of Seattle.

Section IV

This Ordinance shall be published according to law and shall take force and be in effect as of January 1, 2023.

PASSED BY the Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2022.

SIGNED: _____
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

City Attorney