Ordinance No. 646

AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWN OF DENTON REVISING THE SEWER RATES FOR USERS OF THE MUNICIPAL SEWER SYSTEM.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE DENTON TOWN COUNCIL that the following rate schedule shall apply to all users of the Denton Municipal Sewer systems:

A. **Sewer Capacity Charge**. The following capacity charge shall be assessed and paid as follows:

1. Single Family Residential property.....$5000.00

2. Multi-Family Residential property

   a. Efficiency/one bedroom (per unit) $2500.00
   b. Two or more bedrooms (per unit) $5000.00

3. All Commercial Properties

   Capacity Charge shall be determined by using TABLE 1 attached hereto. The Capacity Charge shall be a multiple of the Single Family Residential Capacity Charge set forth above according to the number of Equivalent Residential Units (ERU) listed in Table 1 for the subject property type. An ERU is established by the Caroline County Health Department.

4. Industrial Properties

   Capacity Charge shall be determined by using TABLE 2 attached hereto.

B. For all properties within the Denton Municipal boundaries, as defined by Ordinance No. 181, payable quarterly

   [Administrative Fee] **BASE FEE** is [$23.00] **$25.00**. An additional [$6.04] **$6.41** will be assessed for each 1,000 gallons

C. For all properties located outside the Denton Municipal boundaries, as defined by Ordinance No. 181, or on tax waiver, payable quarterly

   [Administrative Fee] **BASE FEE** is [$46.00] **$50.00**. An additional [$12.08] **$12.82** will be assessed for each 1,000 gallons used.

D. All vacant lots which have access to municipal sewer will be assessed a $25.00 quarter availability fee.

Sewer rate amendment listed in item b. and c. are to be effective with the billing cycle beginning Oct. 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 and reflected in the billing of January 1, 2013, and thereafter. Any Town resolutions or ordinances establishing rates or charges for the above listed services which are in conflict with the above established rates or charges hereby is repealed upon this ordinance's effective date.

DENTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency, this 6th day of September, 2012

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Date Passed: 9/6/12
Effective Date: 9/13/12
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BOLD DENOTES CHANGES

TABLE 1

Multipliers of Single Family Residential Hook-up Charges for Commercial Users.

Type of Establishment	ERU
Apartment Buildings ***	1.0 unit
Plus additional per one bedroom or efficiency apartment	.5
Plus additional per two or more bedroom apartment	1.0
Auto Dealership – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.25
Plus additional per manual wash bay	1.0
Plus additional per automatic wash bay	3.0
Auto Repair Shops – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.25
Plus additional per manual wash bay	1.0
Plus additional per automatic wash bay	3.0
Bar & Cocktail Lounge	1.0
Plus additional per 5 seats or fraction	.25
Barber Shops (per 3 chairs or fraction)	1.0
Beauty Shops – First 2 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per fixture beyond 2	.25
Bed & Breakfast	1.0
Plus additional per sleeping room	.25
Boarding House	1.0
Plus additional per sleeping room	.25
Car Washes	1.0
Plus additional per wand-type wash bay	1.5
Plus additional per automatic wash bay	3.0
Churches – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per fixture beyond 4	.25
Clinics – First 8 plumbing fixtures	2.0
Plus additional per fixture beyond 8	.25

*** *Amended June 1 to add after Apartment Building "with Laundry facilities or maintenance."*

TABLE 1 (cont.)

Multipliers of Single Family residential Hook-up Charges for Commercial Users.

Type of Establishment	**ERU**
Commercial Laundries & Dry Cleaners – First 100# Capacity	1.0 unit
Plus additional per 25# or fraction beyond 100#	.25
Day Care Centers – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 or fraction fixtures beyond 8	.25
Fast Food Restaurant (no seats)	1.0
Plus additional per 8 seats or fraction	.50
Florist	1.0
Gas & Go	1.0
Governmental Building (County, State, & Federal)	0.00
First 8 plumbing fixtures	2.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.50
Laundromat – First 100# capacity	1.0
Plus additional per 25# or fraction beyond 100#	.25
Motel	1.0
Pus additional per room	.25
Nursing Home	2.0
Plus additional per 3 beds or fraction	1.0
Office Building – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.25
Office – Doctors and Dentists – First 8 plumbing fixtures	2.0
Plus additional per fixture beyond 8	.25
Restaurants	1.0
Plus additional per 8 seats or fraction	.50
Retail or Service Stores – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.25

TABLE 1 (cont.)

Multipliers of Single Family residential Hook-up Charges for Commercial Users.

Type of Establishment	**ERU**
Service Station – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.25
Plus additional per manual wash bay	1.0
Plus additional per automatic wash bay	3.0
Theatre	2.5
Veterinary Hospital	2.0
Warehouse – First 8 plumbing fixtures	1.0
Plus additional per 2 fixtures or fraction beyond 8	.25

NOTES:

1) In no event shall the hook-up fee for any connection be less than that established for a single-family residence.

2) Any user not explicitly listed above shall be determined on a case-by-case basis in accordance with guidelines then in use by the Maryland Department of Health.

3) Multiple uses connecting to one hook-up shall be assessed the appropriate hook-up fee for each use.

TABLE 2

Industrial Hookups & Sprinkler System Connections

Domestic Water & Sewer Connection:	
First 40,000 square feet or fraction	$4,000.00
Plus additional per 20,000 sq ft or fraction beyond 40,000	$1,000.00
Fire Sprinkler System Connection	
First 20,000 square feet or fraction	$1,000.00
Plus additional per 20,000 sq ft or fraction beyond 20,000	$1,000.00

NOTES:

1) The hook-up fees listed for industrial users apply only to the domestic waste portion of the wastewater flow (i.e. toilets, sinks, showers, & bathtubs). Allowance of permits for any industrial use of water or sewer shall be determined on a case-by-case basis. Hook-up fees, if connection is permitted, will be determined based on the quantity of flow and characteristics of the waste determined either by analysis, or projects where analyst sis is not available on the basis of at least 3 similar industrial plants which employ the same process as the one in question.

2) The sprinkler fee listed above is payable at the time of connection. There will be an additional "availability" charge assessed quarterly along with the billing for system usage.