

ORDINANCE NO. 17-025

**CALCULATION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018**

WHEREAS, in accordance with *New Castle County Code* Chapter 38 (“Utilities”), Article 2 (“Sewers and Sewage Disposal”), Division 38.02.500 (“Sewer service charges”), Section 38.02.503 (“Schedule Generally”), County Council must adopt applicable unit charges for sewer service.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. County Council adopts the following sewer unit charges for Fiscal Year 2018:

The following unit charges shall be effective other than for certain contract users:

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|---------------------------------|-----|
| \$4.494999/1000 gals. flow rate | (q) |
| \$0.372154/lb. BOD | (b) |
| \$0.505389/lb. SS | (s) |

The rates for certain contract users shall be as follows:

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|---------------------------------|-----|
| \$3.056010/1000 gals. flow rate | (q) |
| \$0.372154/lb. BOD | (b) |
| \$0.505389/lb. SS | (s) |

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 38.02.503F., the annual minimum charge for sewer service shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00).

Section 3. The effective date for the provisions in this ordinance shall be July 1, 2017.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by County Council and approval by the County Executive, or as otherwise provided by 9 *Del. C.* § 1156.

Adopted by Council of
New Castle County on: 5/23/17


President of Council
of New Castle County

Approved on: June 2, 2017


County Executive
New Castle County

SYNOPSIS: This ordinance establishes sewer service charges effective July 1, 2017, for fiscal year 2018.

FISCAL NOTE: This ordinance proposes the adoption of the fiscal 2018 sewer user rates which, in conjunction with other related sources of revenue, are estimated to yield sufficient revenue to balance the fiscal 2018 sewer fund budget.

If adopted, this ordinance would establish a fiscal 2018 composite (flow \$4.494999 + (BOD \$.372154 X 1.2510 (flow factor) = \$.4655647) + (SS \$.505389 X 1.5429 (flow factor) = \$.7797639)) residential flow rate of \$5.74033 per 1,000 billable gallons. This composite rate represents no change from the FY2017 composite rate.

The rates contained in this ordinance would, if adopted, be applied to all user classes as follows:

| User Classification | Number of Users | Gross Billing |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Major (Industrial) | 24 | \$8,232,902 |
| Commercial | 3,647 | \$11,231,258 |
| Residential | 119,582 | \$28,325,423 |
| Apartment | 223 | \$7,177,176 |
| Contract | 5 | \$5,017,438 |
| Gross Bill | <u>123,481</u> | <u>\$ 59,984,197</u> |
| Allowance for Delinquent Accounts: | | <u>(2,134,197)</u> |
| | | <u><u>\$ 57,850,000</u></u> |