

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

Mayor/City Council

RESOLUTION 14-088

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
AMENDING THE SEWER FEE SCHEDULE TO PROVIDE A FEE
STRUCTURE FOR METERED SEWER ONLY CUSTOMERS.

WHEREAS, A new water and sewer rate model was adopted effective January 1, 2014 and since that time, the Homer City Council has engaged in discussions regarding how to accurately measure and charge for the consumption and usage of non-metered sewer only customers; and

WHEREAS, Water and sewer customers are charged for sewer usage based upon water consumption as measured by water meters; and

WHEREAS, Sewer only customers do not have water meters and therefore, water consumption and wastewater discharge is based for billing purposes upon an assumed average for residential usage; and

WHEREAS, After much discussion, the Homer City Council has determined that the fairest and most accurate way to measure and charge for usage for sewer only customers is to provide them with the option of installing a water meter and paying normal fees based upon actual water consumption; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to amend the sewer fee schedule to provide a fee structure that accommodates metered sewer only customers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Table II of the Sewer Rate Schedule pertaining to sewer only customers is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Rates

Table II

Sewer ONLY Customer (Non-Metered)

Sewer

Fees/Rate/Usage

Per Customer/Per Month

Lift Station Customer

\$0.0218/Gal

\$76.30

Non-Lift-Station Customer

\$0.0147/Gal

\$51.45

38	Monthly Service	\$5.00/Customer/Mo.	\$5.00
39	Pumping Fee (if applicable)	\$7.75/Customer/Mo.	\$7.74
40	Assumption: Av. Sewer Usage	3,500 Gal/Mo.	-----

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42 **Sewer ONLY Customer (Metered)**

43		Fees/Rate	Per Customer Per Month
44	Lift Station Customer	\$0.0218/Gal	-----
45	Non-Lift Station Customer	\$0.0147/Gal	-----
46	Monthly Service	\$19.00/Mo	\$19.00
47	Pumping Fee (If applicable)	\$7.75/Mo.	\$7.75

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49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the third paragraph entitled "Sewer System
 50 Dischargers (Sewer ONLY Customers)" under the Section entitled "Customer classification
 51 definitions for determining sewer rates" is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the
 52 following:

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54 **Sewer System Dischargers (Sewer ONLY customers)**


55 A. Non-Metered Customers: Customers who use sewer service only shall be charged a
 56 monthly service charge of \$5.00 plus a sewer usage fee based upon the estimated
 57 average residential volume of 3,500 gallons per month multiplied by the applicable
 58 sewage per gallon rate (see table II). Kachemak City Local Improvement District (LID)
 59 members have contributed to the initial cost of the sewer treatment plant and the
 60 collection system within Kachemak City. For Kachemak City LID non-metered
 61 dischargers connected within the LID, the City of Homer shall bill Kachemak City in
 62 one single bill at the Lift-Station Zone rate of \$89.05 (\$76.30 +\$5.00+\$7.75) per
 63 month/per customer. Kachemak City shall be responsible for payment to the City of
 64 Homer. Non-metered sewer only customers residing within the City of Homer shall be
 65 direct customers of the Homer Water and Sewer Utility.

66 B. Metered Customers: Sewer only customers in both Homer and Kachemak City have
 67 the option of installing water meters to measure the amount of water that enters the
 68 premises and leaves as wastewater via the sewage collection system. The sewage
 69 rates for metered sewer only customers are presented in Table II. All water meters
 70 must be approved and installed under the direction of the Homer Public Works
 71 Department. Metered customers residing within Kachemak City shall become direct
 72 customers of the Homer Water and Sewer Utility. In addition to the monthly utility
 73 sewer fees shown in Table II, metered sewer only customers are subject to all other
 74 relevant Water and Sewer fees contained in this Schedule, including the one-time

water meter lease fee (HCC 14.08.037), service connect and disconnect fees, service call, inspections, and repair fees, sewer connection and extension permit fees, and a 15% administration fee for replacement parts for water and sewer services and functions including pressure reducing valves, sewer saddles, or any Public Works Department stock item for resale to the public.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Homer, Alaska, this 27th day of October, 2014.

CITY OF HOMER


MARY E. WYTHE, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JO JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

Fiscal Note: N/A