

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-40

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SANITARY SEWER UTILITY RATES
FOR THE CITY OF FOREST GROVE, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022, AND
REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2021-43**

WHEREAS, Forest Grove Code Section 52.01 and as set forth in the Agreement with Clean Water Services, Page 5, Section 4.B., of the Agreement requires the City to collect rates and charges set by Clean Water Services; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2017, Clean Water Services began to set a regional rate on the portion of sewer services it provides with the City of Forest Grove setting a rate for the portion of the sewer services that the City provides; and

WHEREAS, the City is increasing its FY 2022-23 local rate by 4.0% to equal the sewer increase proposed by Clean Water Services; and

WHEREAS, a duly-noticed public hearing was held on June 27, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF FOREST GROVE AS FOLLOWS:

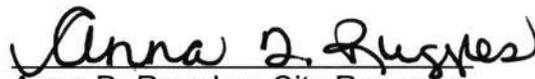
Section 1: The City of Forest Grove sets the following sanitary sewer utility rates for servicing the local portion of the sewer collection system that the City is responsible to maintain: Monthly Base Charge of \$9.89 per Dwelling Unit Equivalent (DUE) and a Use Charge of \$0.480 per 1,000 gallons per month for individual customer winter average. The revenue collected by this fee shall be retained by the City.

Section 2: The above rates shall become effective July 1, 2022.

Section 3: Resolution No. 2021-43 is repealed upon the effective implementation date of the foregoing rates.

Section 4: This resolution is effective immediately upon its enactment by the City Council.

PRESENTED AND PASSED this 27th day of June, 2022.


Anna D. Ruggles, City Recorder

APPROVED by the Mayor this 27th day of June, 2022.


Peter B. Truax, Mayor



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<u>CITY RECORDER USE ONLY:</u>	
AGENDA ITEM #:	F. 9.
MEETING DATE:	06/27/2022
FINAL ACTION:	RESO 2022-40

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TO: *City Council*

FROM: *Jesse VanderZanden, City Manager*

MEETING DATE: *June 27, 2022*

PROJECT TEAM: *Paul Downey, Assistant City Manager/ Finance Director
Gregory Robertson, Public Works Director*

SUBJECT TITLE: *Sewer Rate Increase for FY 2022-23*

ACTION REQUESTED: Ordinance Order Resolution Motion Informational

X all that apply

BACKGROUND:

Prior to July 1, 2017, Clean Water Services (CWS) set regional and local sewer rates and the City added a surcharge to raise sufficient revenue to cover the costs of operating the local portion of the sewer collection system. The regional rate charged by CWS covers its cost of the sewer collection and treatment system.

Starting in FY 2017-18, CWS began setting only the regional sewer rate to cover its portion of the costs. This left each local jurisdiction to set a local sewer rate to cover its portion of the sewer costs. The City established a local sewer rate in FY 2017-18 and has been adjusting the rate annually since. Staff has attached a resolution adjusting the FY 2022-23 sewer rate for Council consideration.

Sewer rates were last increased on July 1, 2021. CWS is proposing a 4.0% increase to the regional sewer rates as of July 1, 2022. Staff is proposing a 4.0% increase to the local rate as of July 1, 2022, as it has been the practice to match CWS' rate increase to keep pace with increasing costs. The proposed resolution would increase the local base rate from \$9.51 to \$9.89 per Dwelling Equivalent Unit (DUE) and the use charge from \$0.462 per 1,000 gallons per month to \$0.480 per 1,000 gallons per month.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The increases to the CWS and the City's sanitary sewer rates will increase the total sewer rate for a typical residential customer from \$52.39 to \$54.54 per month for a total increase of \$2.14 per month based on average residential consumption of 8ccf or 5,984 gallons per month of winter water usage.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council approve the attached resolution adopting the City local rate for sanitary sewer services.

ATTACHMENT(s):

Resolution Establishing Sewer Utility Rates for the City of Forest Grove, effective July 1, 2022, and repealing Resolution No. 2021-43

Date: June 27, 2022

Agenda Item: F. 9.

Subject: PUBLIC HEARING:
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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Request to Testify at Public Hearing

Public Hearings: Hearings are held on each matter required by state law or City policy. Sign in before the meeting on the Public Hearing form posted in the foyer. The presiding officer will review the hearing instructions prior to testimony. The presiding officer will call the individual or group by the name given on the sign-in form. When addressing the Council, please use the witness table (center front of the room), provide your full name and please limit your remarks to three (3) minutes unless the presiding officer grants an extension. Written or oral testimony is heard prior to any Council action. All testimony is electronically recorded. Written testimony may be submitted by 3:00 p.m. the day of the meeting to: CityCouncilors@forestgrove-or.gov.

Please sign-in below to testify:

PROPONENTS: *(Please print legibly)*

First & Last Name:

Address:

City, State & Zip Code:

OPPONENTS: *(Please print legibly)*

First & Last Name:

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OTHERS: *(Please print legibly)*

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED UTILITY RATE INCREASES FOR THE CITY OF FOREST GROVE

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- **WATER:** All customer classes to achieve an overall 3.0 percent water revenue increase. Approximately \$1.20 per month increase average residential customer.
- **SANITARY SEWER:** 4.0 percent City and 4.0 percent Clean Water Services per month per equivalent dwelling unit. Approximately \$2.14 per month combined increase average residential customer.
- **SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT:** 4.0 percent City and 4.0 percent Clean Water Services per month per equivalent dwelling unit. Approximately \$0.45 per month combined increase average residential customer.

The hearing will be held in a “hybrid” format allowing the public to attend the meeting virtually via Zoom and in-person. A copy of the meeting agenda with Zoom instructions and staff report are available seven days prior to the hearing and are published on the City's website at <https://www.forestgrove-or.gov/meetings>. To provide testimony via Zoom, please email aruggles@forestgrove-or.gov at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. Written comments or testimony be submitted at the hearings or sent prior to the hearings to the attention of the City Recorder's Office, P.O. Box 326, 1924 Council Street, 2nd Floor, Forest Grove, OR 97116, aruggles@forestgrove-or.gov. For assistance, please call the City Recorder's Office at (503) 992-3235

**Anna D. Ruggles, CMC, City Recorder
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