

ORDINANCE NO.: 2006-050

Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article V, Water and Sewer Rates, Sec. 23-152, Sewer plant expansion fee

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council this 15th day of November, 2006, that the 1998 Code of Ordinances of The City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article V, Water and Sewer Rates, Sec. 23-152, Sewer plant expansion fee is amended to read as follows:

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Sec. 23-152. Sewer plant expansion fee.

(a) *Amount.* In addition to those fees established and required by section 23-148, a sewer plant expansion fee shall be required to be paid prior to each sewer service connection to offset the cost of providing increased treatment plant and collection system capacity. Such costs shall include debt service on bonds to provide plant capacity increase. The expansion fee shall be computed by multiplying the number of taps required in accordance with section 23-148 times \$1,325.00.

(b) *Extended payment.* The expansion fee established in subsection (a) of this section may be paid in equal monthly payments not to exceed 48 months. Such monthly payments shall be added to and included in the monthly water and sewer bill for the property to be served and shall be collectible in the same manner as any other water or sewer charge. Any uncollected portion of the expansion fee subject to extended payment in accordance with this section shall be immediately due and payable upon sale or transfer of the real property served, and no further water or sewer service shall be provided to such property until the sewer plant expansion fee shall be paid in full or the new owner shall have applied to assume the extended payment obligation. If an applicant elects to make extended payments as provided in this subsection, the equal monthly installments shall be computed according to a amortization schedule with an interest rate of ten percent per annum.

This ordinance is effective as of January 1, 2007 for fifty (50%) percent of the fee increase and as of July 1, 2007 for one hundred (100%) percent of the fee increase.

Requested by:

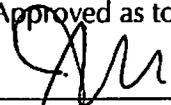
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City Manager

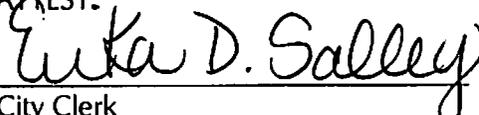
Approved as to form:

  
City Attorney

Introduced: 6/21/2006

Final Reading: 11/15/2006

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk