

ORDINANCE NO.: 2006-108

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 16th day of May, 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 constructing increased treatment plant and collection system capacity or capital expenditures to retain current system capacity in accordance with the capital improvements plan of the City of Columbia. The costs of construction or expenditures to retain current system capacity shall include design and engineering costs, materials, labor and debt service on any bonds which may be issued to provide the intended plant capacity increase. The amount of the expansion fee for each connection shall be computed by multiplying the number of taps required for each application in accordance with section 23-148 times \$1,320.00 from July 1, 2007 until December 31, 2007 and times \$2,640.00 thereafter.

(b) *Extended payment.* At the time of application for the sewer service connection, Applicant may elect to pay the entire fee in full or pay the fee, or any portion thereof, in forty-eight (48) equal monthly installments with interest thereon at the rate of seven and one-half (7.5%) percent per annum. The monthly payments for the plant expansion fee shall be added to and collected with the monthly-sewer bill for the property to be served commencing with the first sewer bill, and shall be collectible in the same manner as any other sewer charges by the City of Columbia. In the event of the sale of the property being served by the sewer connection, the unpaid portion of the fee subject to extended payment in accordance with this section shall be immediately due and payable unless Purchaser(s) assume the extended payment obligation at closing. Until Purchaser(s) apply for transfer of sewer service and/or assume or pay in full the unpaid extended payment, no further sewer service shall be provided to such property.

This ordinance is effective as of final reading.

Requested by:

Utilities and Engineering



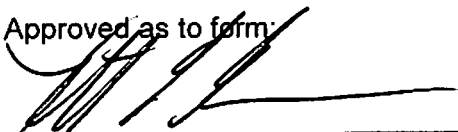
MAYOR

Approved by:



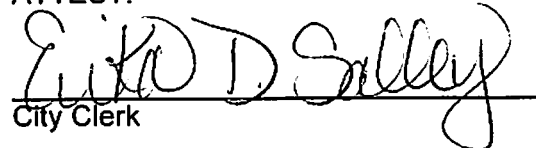
City Manager

Approved as to form:



Interim City Attorney

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Introduced: 3/21/2007  
Final Reading: 5/16/2007

Last Revised 5/7/2007