

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-30

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA AMENDING TITLE 15 OF THE SITKA GENERAL CODE TO INCREASE SEWER, WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES AT SECTIONS 15.04.320 ENTITLED “RATES AND FEES” AND 15.05.625 ENTITLED “WASTEWATER SERVICE – SAWMILL COVE INDUSTRIAL PARK” AND ADD RV SPACES WITH UTILITY HOOKUPS IN THE RATE STRUCTURES

1. CLASSIFICATION. This ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become a part of the Sitka General Code.

2. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or any application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application to any person or circumstance shall not be affected.

3. PURPOSE. This ordinance will increase rates for sewer service by amending SGC 15.04.320 entitled “Rates and Fees” and by adding RV spaces and parking with utility hookups as follows:

- Subsection A entitled “Base Rate,” from \$42.19 to \$46.20 per unit per month and adding RV spaces and parking with utility hookups to the rate structure
- Subsection B entitled “Sewer Service in Conjunction with Metered Water,” from one times the unmetered sewer base rate plus \$2.31 rather than plus \$2.11 per one thousand metered gallons

In addition, this ordinance adds RV spaces and parking with utility hookups to the rate structure in SGC 15.05.620 entitled “Rates and Fees.”

Finally, this ordinance also increases wastewater rates at Sawmill Cove Industrial Park by amending SGC 15.05.625A and B entitled “Wastewater Service – Sawmill Cove Industrial Park” as follows:

- Subsection B.1 entitled “Unmetered wastewater, domestic” from \$42.19 to \$46.20 per month
- Subsection B.2 entitled “Treated wastewater, metered” from \$2.49 to \$2.73 per one thousand gallons water use

The additional funds are needed to cover the operating costs and infrastructure replacements in the Wastewater Fund and fund the Capital Improvement Projects Plan in accordance with the Sewer System Master Plan. These additional charges follow the schedule in

46 the Sewer System Master Plan and the presentation by FCS Group – Solutions Oriented
47 Consulting, which is for a 9.5% rate increases per year through Fiscal Year 2018.

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49 **4. ENACTMENT, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED** by the Assembly of the
50 City and Borough of Sitka that SGC 15.04.320 and SGC 15.05.625B are amended to read as
51 follows (new language underlined; deleted language stricken):

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53 **15.04.320 Rates and Fees.**

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55 A. Base rate: forty six ~~two~~ dollars and twenty ~~nineteen~~ cents per unit per month.

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UNIT DESCRIPTION		UNIT
Residential/Dwelling Unit ⁽¹⁾		1.0 ⁽²⁾
Commercial (General, Miscellaneous) ⁽³⁾		1.0
Clubs and lodges without bar or restaurant		
Garages, service stations		
Offices including medical (10 or less employees)		
Shops and stores without food processing		
Commercial Specifics⁽³⁾ (1 Minimum) Plus	Per Each	
Bar, lounge, restaurant, snack bar	seat or stool	0.05
Barber, beauty shop (one station = 1.0)	station	0.6
Bowling alley	lane	1.0
Church	10 seats	0.1
Office/office space	over 10 employees	0.2
Hospital	bed	0.8
Meat market		3.0
Supermarket, grocery store with food process		8.0
Rest home	bed	0.2
Hotel, motel ⁽⁴⁾	bed or room	0.3
Dormitory, boardinghouse ⁽⁴⁾	bed or room	0.3
<u>RV park⁽⁴⁾⁽⁶⁾</u>	<u>RV space</u>	<u>0.3</u>
Bed and breakfast ⁽⁴⁾	bed or room	0.15
Commercial laundry	wet machine	8.0
Launderette	wet machine	1.0

UNIT DESCRIPTION		UNIT
Schools, college, day care ⁽⁵⁾	10 students	0.4
Theater	10 seats	0.2
Car wash (no minimum)	stall	2.0

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⁽¹⁾ Including apartments and trailers, per each. (Apartments shall be assessed as if on a separate meter.)

⁽²⁾ Base rate.

⁽³⁾ Business in homes shall be assessed for the additional appropriate commercial rate.

⁽⁴⁾ Hotel, motel, B&B may count rooms only. Dormitory or boardinghouse must count beds. RV parks count RV spaces with utility hookups. (Vacation rates do not apply.)

⁽⁵⁾ Approximate enrollment—may be reviewed annually.

⁽⁶⁾ RV parks have all mobile units able to be underway on the road with a minimal amount of time and not require special permits to drive on the road. Underway can be under its own power, pulled by a vehicle or in the bed of a pickup. Rental rates are based on the day and utilities are included.

B. Sewer Service in Conjunction with Metered Water. Minimum charge: One times the unmetered sewer base rate plus two dollars and thirty-one eleven cents per one thousand metered gallons.

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15.05.620 Rates and fees.

A. Unmetered Water. Base rate: twenty-seven dollars and two cents per unit.

UNIT DESCRIPTION		UNIT
Residential/Dwelling Unit⁽¹⁾		1.0 ⁽²⁾
Commercial (General, Miscellaneous)⁽³⁾		1.0
Clubs and lodges without bar or restaurant		
Garages, service stations		
Offices including medical (10 or less employees)		
Shops and stores without food processing		
Commercial Specifics⁽³⁾ (1 Minimum) Plus	Per Each	
Bar, lounge, restaurant, snack bar	seat or stool	0.05
Barber, beauty shop (one station = 1.0)	station	0.6
Bowling alley	lane	1.0
Church	10 seats	0.1

UNIT DESCRIPTION		UNIT
Office/office space	over 10 employees	0.2
Hospital	bed	0.8
Meat market		3.0
Supermarket, grocery store with food process		8.0
Rest home	bed	0.2
Hotel, motel ⁽⁴⁾	bed or room	0.3
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Bed and breakfast ⁽⁴⁾	bed or room	0.15
Commercial laundry	wet machine	8.0
Launderette	wet machine	1.0
Schools, college, day care ⁽⁵⁾	10 students	0.4
Theater	10 seats	0.2
Car wash (no minimum)	stall	2.0

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15.05.625 Water and wastewater rates—Sawmill Cove Industrial Park.

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B. Wastewater Service—Sawmill Cove Industrial Park.

1. Unmetered wastewater, domestic: forty-six ~~two~~ dollars and twenty ~~nineteen~~ cents per month.

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- 2. Treated wastewater, metered: one hundred dollars per month minimum.
 - a. Treated wastewater, metered: two dollars and seventy-three ~~forty-nine~~ cents per one thousand gallons water use.

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5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective within 30 days after passage by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska this 23 day of July, 2013

Mim McConnell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Colleen Ingman, MMC
Municipal Clerk