

## ORDINANCE NO. 275

An Ordinance amending Section 345-15(B), (F), (G) Sewer Service Charges of the Municipal Code of the City of Markesan

The Common Council of the City of Markesan in session duly begun on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024, hereby amends Section 345-15(B), (F), (G) of the City of Markesan Municipal Code to read as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 345-15(B), (F), (G) Sewer Service Charges of the Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- B.** Sewer service charges. Sewer service charges shall be established so that revenues collected cover debt service costs, operation and maintenance expenses and replacement costs, except that the City may use ad valorem taxes to cover any portion of the debt service costs. The sewer service charges established shall be such that all users shall pay a proportionate share of the cost of service based on actual use. For all contaminants in the City's Wastewater Permit at the time of the enforcement, the user will pay at the rate prescribed by the City of Markesan's fee schedule. The sewer service charges shall be based on a volume parameter and a customer parameter as stated in Section 345-15 (F).
- F.** Parameters. The sewer service charges shall be established using the parameters, as outlined in Subsection **B** above. All costs shall be allocated to these parameters in a logical and reasonable manner. A definition of each parameter is as follows:
- (1) Volume. The volume parameter is that portion of the costs that is related to flow.
  - (2) BOD. The BOD parameter is that portion of the costs that are related to the removal of BOD. The BOD parameter will be equated to a volume charge for all users discharging domestic strength waste (less than 300 mg/l BOD).
  - (3) Suspended solids. The suspended solids parameter is that portion of the costs that is related to the removal of suspended solids. The suspended solids parameter will be equated to a volume charge for all users discharging domestic strength waste (less than 300 mg/l SS).
  - (4) Phosphorus TP. The TP parameter is that portion of the costs that are related to the removal of TP. The TP parameter will be equated to a volume charge for all users discharging domestic strength waste (less than 7 mg/l TP).
  - (5) Ammonia. The Ammonia parameter is that portion of the costs that are related to the removal of Ammonia. The Ammonia parameter will be equated to a volume charge for all users discharging domestic strength waste (less than 40 mg/l TP).
  - (6) Outside 6 – 9 pH Range. The Outside 6-9 pH Range parameter will be equated to a volume charge for all users discharging domestic strength waste per point outside range per 1,000 gallons.
  - (7) Customer. The customer parameter is that portion of the costs that is customer related such as meter reading, billing and other administrative costs. These costs will be divided equally among all users.<sup>[1]</sup>
- G.** All contaminants determination. All residential users and other users discharging domestic strength waste shall be assumed to discharge domestic strength waste. The contaminants concentrations for all other users will be determined by monitoring and sampling or by published estimates for the user type if agreed upon by the user and the City.

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*Editor's Note: Original Sec. 13.29(7), Volume determination, which immediately followed this subsection, was repealed 4-14-2015 by Ord. No. 233.*

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage and publication.

ROLL CALL: Ayes-5 , Nays-0 , Absent-1, Abstained-0

APPROVED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

CITY OF MARKESAN

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RICH SLATE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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ELIZABETH AMEND, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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DANIEL D. SONDALLE, City Attorney

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