

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299322

ADOPTED ON JUN 08 2004

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE
CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT A NEW RATE
STRUCTURE FOR SEWER SERVICE FEES AND INCREASE
SEWER SERVICE FEES AS APPROPRIATE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW RATE STRUCTURE

WHEREAS, San Diego Municipal Code section 64.0404 provides that sewer service fees [Fees] may be established by resolution of the City Council upon the giving of ten days notice of intention to establish such charges; and

WHEREAS, article XIII D, section 6 of the California Constitution provides that prior to imposing increases in property-related fees, a public agency shall provide written notice by mail of the proposed fee increase to the record owner of each parcel upon which it is proposed for imposition; and

WHEREAS, such notice shall be provided to the affected property owners not less than forty-five days prior to the public hearing on the proposed revisions to property-related fees; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to change the rate structure [New Rate Structure] for its Fees; and

WHEREAS, the New Rate Structure will result in increases in the Fees for certain sewer customers; and

WHEREAS, the City posted a notice of its intention to adopt the New Rate Structure and to increase its Fees for certain sewer customers in compliance with San Diego Municipal Code section 64.0404; and

WHEREAS, during the week of April 19, 2004, in accordance with the provisions of article XIII D, section 6 of the California Constitution, the City provided written notice by mail of the New Rate Structure to affected property owners; and

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2001, the City Council adopted Resolution Number R-295587, authorizing the City Manager to increase the Fees by 7.5% for five fiscal years, effective March 1, 2002, March 1, 2003, March 1, 2004, and March 1, 2005 [Prior Rate Increases]; and

WHEREAS, the Prior Rate Increases will be applicable to the New Rate Structure; NOW THEREFORE,


BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Diego that the City Council finds and determines that the foregoing Recitals are true and correct.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is authorized and directed to implement, effective October 1, 2004, the New Rate Structure as set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and by this reference incorporated herein, and increase Fees as appropriate in accordance with the New Rate Structure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is directed to investigate and evaluate programs to improve the efficiency of the sewage system by funding incentives to

significant sewage dischargers of Chemical Oxygen Demand [COD] to reduce the COD load on the system and to report back to the City Council no later than September 30, 2004.

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EXHIBIT A

SEWER FEES AND CHARGES	
<u>Single-Family Residential</u>	
Base Fee	\$10.53
Rate per HCF *	\$2.563
<u>Multi-Family Residential</u>	
Base Fee	\$10.53
Rate per HCF	\$3.461
<u>Commercial/Industrial**</u>	
Base Fee	\$10.53
Unit Rates	
Flow (\$/HCF)	\$2.5613
TSS (\$/lb)	\$0.3994
COD (\$/lb)	\$0.1436

* 1 HCF (Hundred Cubic Feet) = 748 gallons. These rates may change due to the Winter Months Water Usage Adjustment effective July 1, 2004.

** Commercial/Industrial customers with average flow < 25,000 gallons per day will be billed via a rate matrix based upon the unit rates shown.

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