


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	<b>22-230</b>	Meeting:	<b>May 23, 2022</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>57</b>	Roll Call:	<b>22-0845</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Nickolas Schaul, Finance Director</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Amending the Municipal Code Section 118 relating to the volume charge for sewer services rate to be applied to residential and nonresidential properties (Sanitary Utility rate increase).

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of amending the Municipal Code Sections 118-149, relating to the annual increase to sanitary sewer volume charges for sewer services by 6% effective on July 1, 2022, consistent with the approved budget.

	Volume Charge per 1,000 Gallons	Monthly Service Charge
Current Rates:	\$7.94	\$4.40
Proposed Change On: 7/1/2022	\$8.42	\$4.40

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: The sanitary sewer volume charge rates are proposed to increase by 6% beginning July 1, 2022.

Funding Source: Revenues will be deposited in the appropriate sanitary sewer fund accounts for use on operations and capital projects per the budget plan.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- At the February 9, 2022, City Council workshop, staff presented an update on the operating and capital improvement plans for the stormwater and the sanitary sewer systems.
- At the March 21, 2022, City Council meeting, Council approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Amended and FY 2023 Recommended Budget by Roll Call Number 22-440.

- Fee increases are needed in the Sanitary Sewer Fund to meet the requirements of the Long-Term Control Plan addressing combined sewer overflows, increasing operating and maintenance expenses, and to continue sewer lining projects which extend the life of infrastructure.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: May 6, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-0735](#) and [19-0736](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 118 of the Municipal Code regarding volume charge and customer service charge for sewer services and the ERU rate to be applied to residential and nonresidential properties. ([Council Communication No. 19-185i](#)) Moved by Coleman that this ordinance be considered and given first vote for passage. Motion Carried 7-0.

- (A) [Final](#) consideration of ordinance above (waiver requested by the City Manager), requires six votes. Moved by Coleman that the rule requiring that an ordinance must be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, that the ordinance be placed upon its final passage and that the ordinance do now pass, [#15,771](#). Motion Carried 7-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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