

Public Works – Clean Water Plant

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To: Board of Public Works

From: Tim Young, Pretreatment Coordinator

Subject: Annual Connection Charge Review

The sewer connection charge is for new connections to the sanitary sewer system. The purpose of the charge is to recover the proportionate share of capital costs for excess capacity in the sewer collection system reserved for new development. The charge is based on the number and size of the water meters serving the property. The current connection charge schedule was updated effective January 1, 2024.

The Board has requested an annual review of the schedule, and a full analysis every 4-5 years. Therefore, since the last full analysis was performed in 2020, another full analysis was completed for development of the proposed 2025 connection charge schedule. Collection system asset values have increased over the past 4 years, including several pump station upgrades. We therefore advise the Board to make a recommendation to Council that the connection charge schedule be updated to reflect the current value of collection system assets, effective January 1, 2025.