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931.03 RENTAL RATES.

The following monthly sewer rental rates, which shall be interpreted to mean one month or portion thereof, shall be charged to each water consumer in the Municipality whose premises are adjacent to a sanitary sewer:

(a) Base Charge.

Effective Date:

July 1, 2022 Seven and 40/100 Dollars ($7.40) per month.
($4.20 Sewer Fund) ($3.20 Sewer Capital Improvement Fund #1.)

January 1, 2023 Seven and 80/100 Dollars ($7.80) per month.
($4.40 Sewer Fund) ($3.40 Sewer Capital Improvement Fund #1.)

January 1, 2024 Eight and 20/100 Dollars ($8.20) per month.
($4.60 Sewer Fund) ($3.60 Sewer Capital Improvement Fund #1.)

January 1, 2025 Eight and 60/100 Dollars ($8.60) per month.
($4.80 Sewer Fund) ($3.80 Sewer Capital Improvement Fund #1.)

January 1, 2026 Eight and 90/100 Dollars ($8.90) per month.
($4.95 Sewer Fund) ($3.95 Sewer Capital Improvement Fund #1.)

(b) Additional Charges. The monthly additional sewer rental charge, presently Three and 88/100 Dollars ($3.88) per one hundred cubic feet of water consumed or fraction thereof, shall be increased as follows:

Effective Date:

July 1, 2022 3%

January 1, 2023 3%

January 1, 2024 3%

January 1, 2025 3%

January 1, 2026 3%

(c) The Director of Public Service is hereby authorized to apply an additional annual percentage increase per one hundred cubic feet of water consumed or fraction thereof, equal to any annual percentage increase charged to the City of Sheffield Lake by the sewer treatment facility servicing the City.

(d) Penalty. A penalty of ten percent (10%) of the total amount of charges on each bill for each billing period shall be added to the charges herein set out if the bill is not paid on or before the fifteenth day of the month in which payment is due.

(Ord. 34-22. Passed 6-14-22.)

931.04 INDUSTRIAL AND SPECIAL WASTES.

Over and above the charges established herein, there may be established in special instances and upon special agreement between the City and the owner of any lot, parcel of land or premises which is served by the system, such additional charges for sewage wastes, industrial or otherwise, of unusual strength or composition which are accepted by the City for treatment, as may be determined to be fair and equitable. Each such special agreement and the charge established thereby shall not become effective until ratified by ordinance, duly passed by Council. (Ord. 47-56. Passed 7-24-56.)

931.05 PAYMENT; NEW CONNECTIONS.

(a) The sewer charges provided for herein shall be payable on the first day of every calendar month at the office of the Clerk of the Department of Public Service. Charges established in respect to premises served by the waterworks system shall be included in and be payable with the water bill to such premises. Any bill not paid by the fifteenth of the month in which it is due shall be subject to a ten percent (10%) penalty.

(Ord. 118-76. Passed 12-14-76.)

(b) Any premises which becomes adjacent to a sanitary sewer after July 24, 1956, shall be

charged the sewer rental beginning thirty days after the completion of the sewer. Such charges shall be prorated on a per diem basis from the expiration of the thirty days to the commencement of the next billing period.
(Ord. 47-56. Passed 7-24-56.)

931.06 CITY'S REMEDIES FOR NONPAYMENT.

Each sewer charge established and made pursuant to this chapter is hereby made a lien upon the premises charged therewith. If the same is not paid within ninety days after it is due and payable, it shall be certified to the Auditor of the County in which the premises are situated. The Auditor shall place the sewer charge on the tax duplicate with the interest and penalties allowed by law and it shall be collected as other Municipal taxes are collected. The Municipality shall also have the right, in the event of nonpayment, to discontinue service of water supplied by the waterworks to such premises until the unpaid sewer charges have been fully paid.
(Ord. 47-56. Passed 7-24-56.)

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The Director of Public Service shall make and enforce such rules and regulations as he deems necessary for the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter and the safe, economical and efficient management and protection of the system.
(Ord. 47-56. Passed 7-24-56.)

931.08 EXCEPTIONS TO CHARGE.

No lot, parcel of land, building or premises now or hereafter used by the Municipality for Municipal purposes shall be subject to the sewer charges herein established, nor shall any water supplied by the Municipal waterworks system for extinguishing fires, cleaning fire apparatus or furnishing or supplying water to fire hydrants be used to determine any sewer charge as set forth herein.
(Ord. 47-56. Passed 7-24-56.)

931.09 CONNECTION TO PUBLIC SEWER MANDATORY; PROHIBITED CONNECTIONS.

(a) Every building sanitary sewer shall be connected to a public sanitary sewer whenever a public sanitary sewer of adequate size exists adjacent to the premises or property.

(b) No storm water drain shall be connected to the sanitary sewer system.

(c) No sewage disposal plant, cesspool, vault, privy, outhouse or other similar receptacle or means of disposal of sewage or other sanitary wastes shall be constructed when a public sanitary sewer is available for the reception of sewage and other sanitary wastes.

(d) Every building sanitary sewer shall be connected to a public sanitary sewer within ninety days after a public sanitary sewer has been made available.
(Ord. 74-58. Passed 10-28-58.)

(e) In addition to the penalty provided in Section 931.99, any person who fails to make a connection according to the terms of this section is subject to the provisions of Section 935.13.

931.10 PRIVATE SEWAGE PLANTS.

(a) Where private sewage plants are permitted they shall conform in location, materials, arrangement, installation and maintenance to applicable statutes and shall also conform to the regulations and be subject to the permits, inspection and approval of the following authorities:

(1) For dwelling houses: The Lorain County District Board of Health,

(2) For buildings and other structures other than dwelling houses: The State of Ohio, Department of Health, Division of Sanitary Engineering.

(b) All such installations shall also require a permit from and be subject to the inspection and approval of the Building Inspector.

(c) The applicable statutes and the regulations of the County and State authorities shall also govern the disposal of all sewage and other sanitary wastes not discharged into a public sewer.

(d) No septic tank, cesspool or privy, nor any part of a sewage disposal plant, shall be located within twenty feet of a street line.

(Ord. 74-58. Passed 10-28-58.)

931.11 ABANDONED SEWAGE DISPOSAL EQUIPMENT.

Whenever the use of any privy vault, septic tank, cesspool or other sewage disposal equipment is discontinued, such receptacles and devices shall be either removed or thoroughly cleaned and disinfected and all open pits, vaults or tanks shall be filled to the ground surface with clean earth, ashes or other suitable filling material.

(Ord. 74-58. Passed 10-28-58.)

931.12 CONNECTIONS.

(a) No building sewer shall be constructed to connect with a public sewer nor shall any connection be made to a public sewer within the City until the written permission of the Superintendent of the Divisions of Water and Sewers has been obtained by the person, firm or corporation employed to perform the work.

(b) An application for a permit shall be signed by the owner, agent, or lessee of the property for which the connection is to be made and must describe the sewer to be connected. Applications for permits shall be made to the Superintendent by the owner and the Superintendent shall issue a permit to the owner before the work is begun, and in no case shall the work be prosecuted unless such permit is on the ground and in the possession of the person doing the work. Each permit shall designate the street and number of the lot and the side of the street where the connection is to be made and shall include such a definite description of the premises as to clearly define the location of the same on the map. Each permit shall also designate the location and depth of the connection of the main sewer and the curb or property line of the street. Each dwelling must have a distinct and separate connection with the sewer street connection. There shall be a non- refundable application fee for such permits in the amount of one hundred seventy-five dollars ($175.00). Where the sewer service connection is servicing more than one family unit, or one unit, there shall be charged in addition to the initial application fee of one hundred seventy-five dollars ($175.00) the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75.00) for each additional unit to be serviced by such connection. Such additional sewer connection fee shall be paid into the Capital Improvement Fund No. 2 of the City.

(c) The written permission to construct a building sewer or to make a connection to a public sewer shall specify the permissible use of such building sewer and connection.

(d) The building sewer and connection shall be of materials and workmanship as specified in the Building Code. The construction and inspection of the building sewer and connection shall be in accordance with the Building Code and the rules and regulations of the Director of Public Service and the Superintendent of the Divisions of Water and Sewers.

(e) The Superintendent of the Divisions of Water and Sewers and the Director of Public Service are authorized and directed to adopt and enforce rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of this chapter for the purpose of providing control of the installation of sewer connections and inspection thereof. The Superintendent and the Director shall maintain accurate and complete records of all permits issued for and inspections made of connections to the public sewers. They shall also require the abandonment and removal of connections to the public sewers which violate the provisions of this chapter.

(f) In addition to all sewer connection charges and tap-in fees presently in existence in the City,

there shall be an additional fee of two thousand dollars ($2,000) for the permit to be obtained from the City, through its Service Director. No building sewer shall be constructed to connect with a public sewer nor shall any connection be made to a public sewer within the City, until the written permission of the City, by and through its Service Director or his designee has been obtained by the person, firm or corporation employed to perform the work or performing the work.

(g) In multi-family dwellings, in addition to all other fees, there shall be an additional fee of five hundred dollars ($500.00) for each additional family unit.

(h) All funds and fees collected pursuant to the terms of subsection (f) and (g) hereof shall be paid into the Sewer Capital Improvement Fund Number One and shall be used solely and exclusively for the payment of the costs of expanding and improving lift station number one in the City, and all cost related thereto.

(i) In the event an existing structure has been demolished, there shall be a City sewer service reconnect fee of five-hundred dollars ($500.00) for replacement construction to reconnect to the capped sewer line.

(Ord. 36-05. Passed 4-12-05.)

931.13 SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

Sewage, including wastes from water closets, urinals, lavatories, sinks, bathtubs, showers, laundries, cellar floor drains, garage floor drains, bars, soda fountains, cuspidors, refrigerator drips, drinking fountains, stable floor drains and other objectionable wastes shall be discharged into a sanitary or combined sewer and in no case into a storm water sewer.

Industrial waste shall not be discharged into a storm water sewer but may be discharged into a sanitary sewer if the waste is of such character as not to be detrimental to the sewerage system or to the sewage treatment works. Where such waste is detrimental to the sewerage system or the sewage treatment works it shall be otherwise disposed of in a satisfactory manner or so improved in character as not to be detrimental to the sewerage system or sewage treatment works.

Surface water, rain water from roofs, subsoil drainage, building foundation drainage, cistern overflow, clean water from condensers, waste water from water motors and elevators, and any other clean and unobjectionable waste water shall be discharged into a storm water or combined sewer and in no case into a sanitary sewer.

Connection with a cesspool or a privy vault shall not be made into a sanitary, combined or storm sewer.

No person shall discharge into a building sewer or tap a public sewer for the purpose of discharging into it any waste or drainage water prohibited by the provisions of this section. Any existing connection in violation of the provisions of this section shall be abandoned and removed.

(Ord. 57-61. Passed 9-12-61.)

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