

**AGENDA ITEM**  
December 4, 2012

Subject: Ordinance amending Chapter 28-54 sewer service charge

Department: Finance Department

The attached ordinance presents service charges related to the City of Nevada's sewer system. This ordinance amends Sec 28-54 by increasing the sewer rate for the first 1,000 gallons from \$7.15 to \$10.00 and increasing the sewer rate for each 1,000 gallons thereafter from \$3.76 to \$4.70.

The median sewer bill will increase \$5.02 per month.

This increase in sewer rates is necessary to pay for the increased operating cost of providing sewer service, to reserve funds necessary to replace sewer lines and equipment that will help improve the service and otherwise meet mandates imposed on the operation of the system.

The City's total sewer revenue will increase approximately \$71,000 per 12-month-period as a result of this rate revision.

**BILL NO. 2012-073**

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**A GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEVADA, MISSOURI, AMENDING CHAPTER 28-54, SEWER SERVICE CHARGES OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEVADA, MISSOURI.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEVADA, MISSOURI, THAT:**

**Section 1.** Section 28-54 of the Code of the City of Nevada, Missouri is hereby amended to read as follows:

**SECTION 28-54. AMOUNT OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGE**

- (a) **General.** The monthly rates required and which shall be charged and collected by the City of Nevada, Missouri, for the use and services of the City's sewer system shall be based upon the average of water used during the months of November thru March for the residential consumer, monthly usage for the commercial consumer, or at the option and cost of the commercial consumer, upon metered sewerage discharge determined by applications of the rates established in this Section.
- (b) **Basic rate** – residential non-metered sewerage discharge. The basic monthly rate for non-metered sewerage discharge shall be based upon the average of water used during the months of November thru March, consumed from the City's supply on premises, as follows:
  - (1) First 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof, a minimum charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per month.
  - (2) Based on the average of water consumed, a charge of four dollars and seventy cents (\$4.70) per 1,000 gallons for consumption exceeding the first 1000 gallons, computed to the nearest 100 gallons.
- (c) **Basic rate** - commercial non-metered sewerage discharge. The basic monthly rate for non-metered sewerage discharge shall be based upon the water consumed monthly from the city's supply on premises, as follows:
  - (1) First 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof, a minimum charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per month.
  - (2) Based on monthly water consumed, a charge of four dollars and seventy cents (\$4.70) per 1,000 gallons for consumption exceeding the first 1000 gallons, computed to the nearest 100 gallons.

(d) **Basic rate** – commercial metered sewerage discharge. The basic monthly rate for metered sewerage discharge shall be based upon the quantity of metered liquid discharged to the sewerage system. Said metering apparatus shall be installed and maintained by the commercial customer and meet specifications and periodic test criteria for accuracy imposed by the municipality. This rate shall be made available to commercial customers that meet the metering requirements and whose water use substantially exceeds the volume of sewerage discharged. The basic rate for commercial metered sewerage shall be as follows:

- (1) First 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof, a minimum charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) per month.
- (2) Based on monthly water consumed, a charge of four dollars and seventy cents (\$4.70) per 1,000 gallons for consumption exceeding the first 1000 gallons, computed to the nearest 100 gallons.

**Section 2.** The terms of this Ordinance shall be effective and applicable to all billings beginning January 1, 2013. The terms of the previous ordinances shall be in full force and effect until December 31, 2012.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Nevada, Missouri, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2012.

(seal)  
ATTEST:

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Brian L. Leonard, Mayor

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Johnna Williams, Deputy City Clerk