

BILL NO. 19-23

ORDINANCE NO. 4.473

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6.110.570 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, LEVYING SEWER SERVICE CHARGES AND COMMODITY RATE CHARGES IN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 250.233 RSMo., notice of a public hearing regarding proposed sewer rate changes in the City was provided by newspaper publication; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2019, a public hearing was held on the proposed sewer rate changes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt the proposed sewer rate changes as provided in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 6.110.570 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gladstone, Missouri is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Sec. 6.110.570 Sewer Service Charges and Commodity Charges.

There is hereby levied a charge against every person occupying property having a sewer connection with the city sewer system or having sewers available for connection, or otherwise, discharging sewage, industrial waste, water or other liquid into the city's sewer system, such charge to be used to pay the cost of operating, maintaining, repairing, or enlarging the existing or future sewer systems. Such charge is to be the sum of a monthly service charge and a commodity rate charge to be computed and levied as follows:

- (a) **Domestic Users.** For residential water service accounts (one and two-family residences), a monthly service charge and a commodity rate charge each as established in subsection (c) of this section, except, that for the billing periods April through December, the commodity rate charge shall be based upon the lesser of actual water used or an average of water used during the winter period of December, January, and February, billed in January, February, and March, such charges shall be payable with each bill rendered throughout the year. Where residential water service accounts do not have an acceptable history of winter water use, the commodity rate charge for the period April through November shall be the commodity rate charge established in subsection (c) of this section, or seventy-three dollars and ninety-three cents, (\$73.93) per monthly billing, whichever is the lesser.

- (b) Commercial and Industrial Users. For commercial and industrial users (all persons and corporations other than the occupants of one and two-family residences), a monthly service charge and a commodity rate charge as established in subsection (c) of this section.


(c) Charges

- (1) A monthly service charge of \$14.40.
- (2) A commodity rate charge based on the total volume of water purchased by the customer during the billing period of \$9.92 per 1,000 gallons.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. The Sewer Service Charge and Commodity Rate Charges as set forth in this ordinance are effective June 15, 2019.

SECTION 3. Severability. The provisions of this ordinance are severable and if any provision hereof is declared invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE, 2019.



Mayor Carol J. Suter

Attest:



Ruth Bocchino, City Clerk

First Reading: June 10, 2019

Second Reading: June 10, 2019



Request for Council Action

RES ☐ # City Clerk Only

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Date: 6/5/2019

Department: Finance

Meeting Date Requested: 6/10/2019

Public Hearing: Yes ☒ Date: 6/10/2019

Subject: Sewer Rates

Background: The City of Gladstone received notice from the City of Kansas City that the sewer rates charged would be changing effective May 1, 2019. Pursuant to Section 250.233 RSMO., a public hearing notice on the rate change was published in the Liberty Tribune and Gladstone Dispatch on May 9, 2019. The information on the sewer rate change was discussed at the April 22, 2019 Open Study Session on the FY20 Budget.

Budget Discussion: Funds are budgeted in the amount of \$ [Click here to enter amount](#) from the Choose a Fund Fund. Ongoing costs are estimated to be \$ [Click here to enter amount](#) annually. Previous years' funding was \$ [Click here to enter amount](#)

Public/Board/Staff Input: As a result of the rate change from Kansas City, the following sewer rate adjustments will be necessary. To maintain sewer infrastructure, Gladstone's commodity rate will have to increase \$.55 from \$9.37 per 1,000 gallons to \$9.92 per 1,000 gallons used. The monthly service charge has also increased from \$13.60 to \$14.40 per month. As a result, the average sewer customer's bill (using 4,000 gallons) would increase from \$51.08 to \$54.09 or \$3.01 per month. No change is being proposed for water. A Bill will be on the June 10th City Council agenda to increase the Sewer rate effective June 15, 2019.

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Dominic Accurso
Department Director/Administrator

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City Attorney

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City Manager