

ORDINANCE NO 2021-108

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-107
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWER RATES FOR THE COLLECTION AND
TREATMENT OF SEWAGE FOR THE CITY OF RIDGETOP SEWER SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Ridgetop finds it necessary to amend Ordinance No. 2018-107 by establishing new rates for residential and commercial collection of sewer collection and treatment within the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee, and further finds it necessary to adopt rates regarding tap fees, Metro capacity fees, initial operating fees, minimum bills for connected and not connected customers, and treatment costs, and further finds it appropriate to categorize rates by residential, small commercial, large commercial (greater than 2,500 gallons per day) and public schools.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RIDGETOP that the attached rates are hereby adopted as the official rates of the City of Ridgetop for the Ridgetop Waste Water System effective from and after the date of passage.

First Reading June 15, 2021

Second Reading July 20, 2021

CLAYTON BOLLINGER, MAYOR

KELLY RIDER
CITY RECORDER

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Residential and Commercial Sewer Connection Fees and Usage Fees

| | <u>****Associated with City Funded Construction Projects</u> | <u>All connections not associated with City Funded Construction Projects</u> |
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| <u>Residential</u> | | |
| Tap Fee | \$ 1,000.00 | All costs to be assumed by sewer applicant* |
| Initial Operating Fee | \$ 100.00 | \$ 100.00 |
| Minimum Bill | \$ 34.50 | \$ 34.50 |
| Treatment Cost | \$ 5.60** | \$ 5.60** |
| Capacity Fee | \$ 569.00*** | \$ 569.00*** |
| <u>Small Commercial</u> | | |
| Tap Fee | \$ 3,000.00 | All costs to be assumed by sewer applicant* |
| Initial Operating Fee | \$ 200.00 | \$ 200.00 |
| Minimum Bill | \$ 172.50 | \$ 172.50 |
| Treatment Cost | \$ 5.60** | \$ 5.60** |
| Capacity Fee | \$ 569.00*** | \$ 569.00*** |
| <u>Large Commercial</u> | | |
| Tap Fee | \$ 9,000.00 | All costs to be assumed by sewer applicant* |
| Initial Operating Fee | \$ 700.00 | \$ 700.00 |
| Minimum Bill | \$ 402.50 | \$ 402.50 |
| Treatment Cost | \$ 5.60** | \$ 5.60** |
| Capacity Fee | \$ 569.00*** | \$ 569.00*** |
| <u>Minimum Bill for Customers Not Connecting</u> | | |
| Residential | \$ 20.00 | |
| Small Commercial | \$ 50.00 | |
| Large Commercial | \$ 250.00 | |

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Deposits for Service

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| Residential | \$ 0.00 Owner Occupied | Residential Renter | \$ 250.00 |
| Small Commercial | \$ 50.00 | Commercial Renter | \$ 300.00 |
| Large Commercial | \$ 250.00 | | |

Summer Sewer Rates (June, July, August)

Formula for billing will be to collect September thru May billing drop highest month and lowest month then average the remaining months. This sewer rate service will be available for residential and commercial customers.

*City to provide detailed list of required products to be used for installation. There will be no exceptions to this list. The city will require a 1500-gallon tank to be used. The city will inspect all hook-ups before sewer use is allowed. Customer is responsible to notify city when ready for inspection.

**treatment cost per 1000 gallons of effluent. This cost subject to change as required.

***This fee is per 350 gallons per day of effluent.

****Must be committed to connecting to a sewer project to be funded by the City at a date set by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen

Fee Covering of a Sewer Stub Out:

The Ridgetop Sewer Department shall charge a fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) to the land owner or (contractor, if known) whom covers a Sewer line Stub Out with earth or by any other method to which a locate of the underground sewer line Stub Out is required.

Fee for abuse to sewer system:

The Ridgetop Sewer Department shall charge a fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) to the land owner whom knowing or willfully connects downspouts, sump pumps, deliberately disposes rainwater into the sewer system or disobeys the “don’ts” of the effluent collection system manual.