

CITY OF O'FALLON, ILLINOIS
ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE CODE OF ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY OF O'FALLON,
CHAPTER 51, REGARDING
WASTEWATER RATES,
SECTION 51.070 SEWER
SERVICE RATES.

WHEREAS, the sewer rates were recently adjusted to cover operating and capital costs, and

WHEREAS, with that increase the Council wishes to defer the automatic Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment in October of 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of O'Fallon, Illinois, assembled that Chapter 51, Section 51.070 be amended as follows:

§ 51.070 SEWER SERVICE RATES.

Sewer service rates of the City of O'Fallon, Illinois shall be as follows:

(A) *Monthly rates for sewage service.* There shall be and there are hereby established monthly rates and charges for the use of and the service supplied by the sewerage system of the City of O'Fallon, St. Clair County, Illinois, such rates and charges hereby established being as follows:

(1) *Base user rates.*

(a) Effective July 1, 2009, the base user rate shall be \$5.00 for the first 1,000 gallons plus an additional \$1.00 for each 1,000 gallons of wastewater per month. The unit (flow) charge shall be \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons of wastewater. The minimum monthly charge shall be \$5.00. Where wastewater flow is recorded in a control manhole required by § 51.058, \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons of wastewater as recorded in the control manhole will be used to determine the unit (flow) of wastewater plus \$5.00 for the first 1,000 gallons plus an additional \$1.00 for each 1,000 gallons of wastewater per month. If no control manhole is present to record wastewater flow at a point of service, wastewater flow shall be determined by the amount of water used; unless other sections of the ordinances are applicable for determining flow or cost of sanitary sewer service.

(b) The city shall audit operation, maintenance, and debt service costs for the wastewater facilities and review user rates annually and revise such rates periodically to reflect actual treatment works operation and maintenance costs, capital improvement, and the cost of debt services.

(2) *Surcharge for industrial users.*

(a) Effective April 1, 2006, the following is the procedure for determining an industrial user surcharge:

1. Obtain representative B.O.D. and suspended solids concentrations in the waste. This may require 24-hour composite sampling for one or more days.

2. B.O.D. surcharge equals $(\text{B.O.D.} - 200) \times \text{number of million gallons used} \times 8.33 \times \0.17 per pound.

3. Suspended solids (SS) surcharge equals $(\text{SS} - 250) \times \text{number of million gallons used} \times \0.32 .

4. The above surcharges are added monthly to the base user rate.

(b) All measurements, tests, and analyses of the characteristics of water and wastes to determine the industrial user surcharge factors shall be conducted in conformation with § 51.059.

(B) All commercial and industrial users of the sewerage system of the city who do not use the water services of the city shall be required to install a control manhole as required by § 51.058 equipped with a metering device approved by the City Engineer which records the total sewage flow for the purpose of determining the basis for user charges as provided by subsection (A) above.

C) The base user and unit flow rates shall be subject to increase effective on each annual anniversary, beginning October 2004 (except October 2009), based upon the annual increase in the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, U.S. City Average, Water and Sewer Maintenance, or comparable index if the same is no longer published, for the month of May.

(D) The rates for the summer billing periods for residential users shall be the average of the previous three-quarters sewer charges.

