Requested by: Council Member Chappel

Prepared by: Finance

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Vote: Bennett, Chappel, Cottle, Fuller, Keller in favor

Patrick opposed

CITY OF WASILLA ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 99-28

AN ORDINANCE OF THE WASILLA CITY COUNCIL REPEALING ORDINANCE SERIAL NO. 95-13 AND SETTING SEWER RATES.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY OF WASILLA, ALASKA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Classification. This ordinance is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Purpose. To set sewer rates within the Wasilla Sewer Utility Service Area.

Section 3. Repeal. Ordinance Serial No. 95-13 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 4. Enactment. The sewer rates and procedures within the Wasilla Sewer Utility Service areas are hereby adopted as follows:

- (A) Sewer Rates. Sewer service shall be furnished to customers at the rate of \$4.45 per thousand gallons. For Class I customers not on the city water system, the rate shall be \$28.25 per month.
- (B) Volume Measurement. Sewer service rates shall be based on the water consumed as measured through a city-owned water meter when a meter is required per WMC 5.20.055(C), or based upon the average water charge for the customer class when a meter is not required.

- (C) *Minimum Monthly Charge.* The minimum monthly service billing shall be \$22.25 per month. Note: The minimum charge is based on usage of 5,000 gallons.
- (D) Turn-On/Turn-Off Fee. There shall be a \$25 charge to deliver a shut off notice. The service charge for turn-on or turn-off, shall be charged at a rate of \$50 per hour, with a minimum charge of one hour. The minimum rate will be charged for each trip.
- (E) Billing Period. Each invoice shall be paid in full by the due date stated on the bill. Non-metered services will be billed one month in advance and metered services will be based on the prior month's water consumption.
- (F) *Meter Charge.* Class II customers are required to install a meter to measure water usage at their own expense if water is not furnished by the city (WMC 5.20.055(C)). The meters shall be furnished by the city at cost plus 25 percent.
- (G) Late Payment Charge. A penalty of eight percent of the unpaid balance shall be charged for late payments.
- (H) Service Call Charge. The charge for service calls on problems, which are the customer's responsibility, shall be charged at a rate of \$50 per hour for each service call between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M., Monday through Friday. The charge for service calls at any time other than those hours previously stated and any hours during a holiday shall be \$75 per hour with a one-hour minimum charge.
- (I) Annual Review. Annually, the Public Works Director shall make a review of the sewer system charges and fee structure, and any recommended changes should be presented to the council in the first quarter of each calendar year.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 1999.

ADOPTED by the Wasilla City Council on June 14, 1999.

SARAH PALIN, Mayo

ATTEST:

KRISTIE L. VANGORDER, CMC/AAE

City Clerk

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