ORDINANCE NO. 29 FOR 1977 ORDINANCE NO. 703

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT CHARGE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

THE CITY OF SWEET HOME DOES ORDAIN;

Section 1. A sanitary sewer systems development charge is imposed upon all new residential and commercial sanitary sewer hookups per tax lot in addition to any connection charge. Industrial users shall pay the "industrial cost recovery" fee in lieu of the systems development charge.

Section 2. Rates.

\$500 for one service, plus \$250 for second service, plus \$200 for third service, plus \$150 for fourth service, plus \$100 for fifth and successive services.

When the character of a structure is changed so as to require a higher charge, credit shall be given for the amount paid for the prior use. Credit shall also be given to structures existing on the date of passage of this ordinance as if that structure had been charged a sanitary sewer systems development charge.

Section 3. Collection. At the time a building permit is issued the applicants shall be notified of the amount of the sanitary sewer systems development charge payable to the City. The amount shall be due when the owner and/or contractor calls for a final inspection of the structure and prior to occupancy of the structure.

All structures annexed into the City after the date of passage of this ordinance shall be charged a sanitary sewer systems development charge at the time when connecting into the sanitary sewer system.

Any structure on any parcel of land that is exempt from having to acquire a building permit or who fails to secure a valid building permit when required is not thereby exempt from paying any part of the sanitary sewer systems development charge. The owner of said structure, prior to the commencement of any construction, shall notify the City that such construction is imminent and the Building Official shall issue to the owner a fee-exempt building permit for such construction. Upon that occasion, or as soon as the Building Official learns that construction has commenced, the sanitary sewer systems development charge shall become immediately due and payable.

The sanitary sewer systems development charge may be paid in full prior to the initiation of service, or the owner of the property may elect to sign a security agreement on the said property, which will require an additional user fee of \$10.00 per month to be credited to pay the connection fee plus interest on the deferred balance thereon at the rate of 7 percent per annum. There will be no interest penalty if a contract purchaser wishes to repay the debt.

Section 4. Exemptions.

(a) All structures existing within the City and connected to the sanitary sewer system at the time of passage of this ordinance, on which alterations, additions, and/or repairs are performed (except when a new dwelling unit is created) shall be exempt from paying any sanitary sewer systems development charge.

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- (b) All existing and future structures which contain no plumbing fixtures shall be exempt from paying any sanitary sewer systems development charge, provided however, that when structures are permitted by State Building Codes to have sanitary facilities located in adjacent buildings, then those structures shall be assessed the sanitary sewer systems development charge as if the structure contained plumbing fixtures. Structures accessed to already existing structures which contain plumbing fixtures shall not be exempt from paying the sanitary sewer systems development charge.
- (c) All temporary structures connected to the sanitary sewer system for no longer than 30 days shall be exempt from paying any sanitary sewer systems development charge.
- Section 5. Disposition of collected revenues. All funds derived from the sanitary sewer systems development charge shall be placed in the Sewer and Water Development Fund.
- Section 6. Rate review. The rates imposed by Section 2 of this ordinance shall be submitted for reconsideration by the City Council annually to reflect the increase or decrease of construction costs.
- Section 7. An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the Council and approval thereof by the Mayor.

PASSED by	the	Council	and	approved	bу	the	Mayor	this	25	da	ay of
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City Manager, Ex-officio City Recorder