

ORDINANCE NO. 681

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO SEWER RATES AND CHARGES, AMENDING THE HOOK-UP CHARGE FOR TUNNEL CAR WASH USE, TO REDUCE THE ERU ASSIGNMENT FROM 20 TO 7.5 ERU'S; AMENDING SECTION 13.32.060 OF THE GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, RCW 35.92.025 allows the City to impose connection fees or hook-up charges in an amount calculated to cover a property owner's "equitable share" of the cost of the water and sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the total hook-up charge is calculated by assigning equivalent residential units (ERU) to certain classes of service, which is then applied on a proportionate basis; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, when the City calculated the hook-up charges set forth in Gig Harbor Municipal Code Section 13.32.060 for the use described as a "tunnel car wash," the City considered the water used by a standard tunnel car wash in use at that time, or 4,620 gallons of water per day; and

WHEREAS, since 1989, water-saving and recycling devices have been installed in tunnel car washes to reduce the amount of water used, and a standard tunnel car wash may now only use 1,680 gallons of water per day; and

WHEREAS, the ERU assignment to a tunnel car wash using 4,620 gallons of water per day is set in GHMC Section 13.32.060 as 20 ERU, but would be reduced to 7.5 ERU if calculated as using 1,680 gallons of water per day; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 13.32.060 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read:

13.32.060 Hook-up charges.

A. The city shall impose the following hook-up charges:

1. Inside the city's sewer utility local improvement district No. 1 (ULID No. 1) - \$566.00/equivalent residential unit (ERU).

2. Outside the city's sewer utility local improvement district No. 1 (ULID No. 1) - \$1,405/equivalent residential unit (ERU).

3. Outside the city's sewer utility local improvement district No. 2 (ULID No. 2) and serviced through the ULID No. 2 collection system -\$1,987/equivalent residential unit (ERU).

4. Inside the city's sewer utility local improvement district No. 1 (ULID No. 1) and having been rezoned and/or approved for a use creating a waste discharge greater than that allowed at the time of the creation of ULID No. 1, the hook-up charge shall be calculated as follows:

a. Identify the zoning designation and/or actual use of the parcel at the time ULID No. 1 was finalized and determine the maximum ERUs that could have been and/or were being generated by the parcel. Charge these ERUs at the rate of \$566.00/ERU. Add 30 percent to the allowed lot size for parcels greater than or equal to two acres for right-of-way deeded to the city when determining number of units;

b. Identify the ERUs required to support the proposed land use;

c. Subtract the ERUs calculated in paragraphs a and b of this subdivision and multiply the result by \$1,405/ERU;

d. The hook-up charge shall be the sum of paragraphs a plus c of this subdivision.

B. The method/formula for determining the basic hookup charge adjustment shall be: (basic hook-up charge/ERU) (Number of ERUs) = Total hook-up charge. The below assignment of equivalent residential units (ERU) to classes of service shall be used. The ERU assignment shall be applied on a proportionate basis.

C. There shall be an automatic hook-up charge adjustment each year based on the Engineering News Index construction costs factor.

Class of Service
Residential

ERU Assignment

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| 1. Single-family dwelling | 1 ERU |
| 2. Multifamily dwelling | 1 ERU per dwelling |
| 3. Trailer courts, | |
| a) permanent mobile home parks | 1 ERU per rental provided sewer |
| space service | |
| b) transient RV parks | 0.33 ERU per provided sewer |
| RV site service | |
| 4. Bed and breakfast | 1 ERU, plus 1 ERU per 5 rental rooms |
| 5. Home business (residential primary use) | 1 ERU |

Non-residential

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| 6. High schools, junior high schools and community colleges | 1 ERU per 24 students |
| 7. Elementary schools, preschools, day care | 1 ERU per 54 students |
| 8. Churches | 1 ERU per 150 seats |
| - if parsonage | 1 ERU additional |
| - if weekday child care or church school | 1 ERU per 54 students additional |
| 9. Hospitals - General | 1 ERU per bed |
| 10. Convalescent/rest homes | 1 ERU per 2 beds |
| 11. Hotels, motels | 1 ERU per 2 rooms |
| - if quality restaurant | 1 ERU per 8 seats, additional |
| 12. Quality restaurants | 1 ERU per 8 seats |
| 13. Fast food | 1 ERU per 9 seats |
| 14. Tavern | 1 ERU per 15 seats |
| 15. Service stations (without car wash) | 2 ERUs |
| 16. Car wash | |
| - Wand | 1.5 ERUs per stall |
| - Rollover | 7.0 ERUs |
| - Tunnel | 7.5 20 ERUs |
| 17. Laundromats | 1 ERU per machine |
| 18. Commercial | 1 ERU per 1600 sq. ft. or less of interior floor |

space

(Commercial shall include all classes not otherwise included on this table)

For commercial establishments in excess of 1,600 square feet of interior floor space, the city may use actual or projected flow calculations approved by the city engineer; provided, however, the minimum connection fee shall not be less than one equivalent residential unit. If projected flow calculations are used, the connection fee shall be adjusted after the first year of operation of the establishment to reflect actual flow usage in the event the flows were underestimated.

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| 19. Light industrial waste with | Based on projected |
| a) 30 lbs to 200 lbs of S.S. per day, or | average monthly |
| b) 30 lbs to 200 lbs of BOD per day, and | flows during peak |
| c) less than 10,000 gallons per day | season - 700 cu. ft. |
| | If projected flows |
| | are unknown then |
| | basis is same as |
| | Class 16 |
| | |
| 20. Heavy industrial waste | Same as Class |
| with more than | |
| a) 200 lbs of BOD per day, or | |
| b) 200 lbs of S.S. per day, or | |
| c) 10,000 gallons or more per day | |

Where seating is on benches or pews the number of seats shall be computed on the basis of one seat for each 18 inches of bench or pew length.

Section 2. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

APPROVED:

MAYOR, GRETCHEN WILBERT

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR, MARK HOPPEN

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY _____

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: July 22, 1994
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: August 8, 1994
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EFFECTIVE DATE: August 22, 1994

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 681
of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington

On the 8th day of August, 1994, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, passed Ordinance No. 681. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this 9th day of August, 1994.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR, MARK HOPPEN