

**BE IT ORDAINED...**

That the Revised Ordinances of the City of Newton, 2001, as amended, be and are hereby amended relative to **Section 29-80**, as follows:

1. Amend the catchline for section 29-80 to provide:

**Section 29-80, Sewer/Stormwater Use Charge**

2. Delete the existing provisions of subsection (a), as follows:

(a) Every estate whose building sewers discharge directly or indirectly into public sewers of the city shall pay a charge for the use of such sewage works, which charge shall be made in proportion to water consumption.

and insert the following new provisions in their place:

(a) Every estate whose building sewers discharge directly or indirectly into public sewers of the city shall pay a charge for the use of main drains, stormwater facilities and sewage works.

3. Delete the following provisions of subsection (b):

(b) Sewer rates

(1) Such sewer use bills shall be issued on a quarterly basis. Each sewer use bill shall be based on the water meter reading, or estimated water meter reading, for the same property, for the prior quarterly billing period at the following schedule of rates or prices...

and insert the following new provisions in their place:

(b) Sewer/Stormwater rates

(1) Such sewer/stormwater use bills shall be issued on a quarterly basis. Each sewer/stormwater use bill shall consist of two components as follows:

a) A charge for use of main drains and stormwater facilities:

--for properties the principal use of which is residential: \$6.25 per quarter;

--for all other properties: \$37.50 per quarter.

provided, however, that such charge shall be reduced for estates that maintain approved on-site functioning retention/detention basins or other filtration structures. The reduction shall be based on credits, which may be whole or partial, determined annually by the city engineer for each such property in proportion to the reduction of stormwater flow as a result of such on-site functioning facilities.

b) a charge for use of sewer, which charge shall be made in proportion to water consumption, based on the water meter reading, or estimated water meter reading, for the same property, for the prior quarterly billing period at the following schedule of rates or prices...

4. Amend the provisions of subsection (b)(2)b) by inserting the words "for use of sewer" after the words "...applicable price or rate."

5. Amend the provisions of subsection (c) as follows:

First sentence: By striking the words "Such charges shall be reduced..." as they appear in the first sentence, and inserting in their place the words, "The charges for use of sewer shall be reduced."

Second sentence: By striking the words "this section" as they appear in the second sentence, and inserting in their place the words, "subsection (b)(1)b)."

Third sentence: By striking the words "sewage works" as they appears at the end of the third sentence, and inserting in their place the word, "sewer."

6. Amend the typographical error that appears in subsection (i) as follows: strike the word "rebater" as it appears in the second sentence and insert in its place the word "rebates."

Approved as to legal form and character:



Daniel M. Funk, City Solicitor