

# TOWN OF RUSTON

## ORDINANCE NO. 1162

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE RUSTON TOWN COUNCIL AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1124 AND RMC CHAPTER 21.02 SETTING SANITARY SEWER RATES

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Ruston, Washington as follows:

**Section 1.** Ordinance No. 1124, adopted December 3, 2004, and Ruston Municipal Code Chapter 21.02 are hereby amended as follows:

Section 1: Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 35.67.190, charges shall be made for the discharge of and the availability of the discharge of all sanitary sewage into the Ruston Municipal Sanitary Sewer System. Unless otherwise determined by the Town, no allowances will be made for vacancies, remodeling, or other such activities unless the water service for the entire facility or building is turned off by the City of Tacoma Public Works Department. Sewer charges shall be based upon highest class of sanitary sewer use when there is more than one type of user per premises. The charges shall be as follows:

(a) Each single-family residence (including those instances where more than one family residence is served through one water meter) shall be charged a monthly charge computed as follows:

(1) Effective Date: ~~January 1, 2003~~ December 22, 2004 a fixed charge of ~~\$21.45~~ \$23.17 plus a flow charge calculated at ~~\$2.36~~ 2.55 per hundred cubic feet (ccf) of water consumption.

The water consumption for the flow charge shall be the average monthly use as measured during the most recent months of December, January, February, and March. If the average consumption results in a fractional part of a ccf, the number used for calculating the flow charge shall be the next highest whole number.

(b) Multiple-family residences (two or more units) served through one water meter shall pay a monthly charge per living unit as above, except that the water consumed during the winter months shall be divided by the total number of living units served by the account to determine the per living unit flow volume. If the average consumption per unit results in a fraction, the number used for calculating the flow charge shall be the next highest whole number.

It shall be the duty of every person in possession, charge, or control of the entire premises consisting of two or more units, served by the sanitary sewer system, or to which such service is available, to be accountable for payment of each unit.

Where units in multiple-unit residences are separately metered, each unit shall be charged the appropriate single-family residence rate as set forth in subsection (a) of this section.

. Rate for user generating most sanitary sewage will be used for billing purposes.

(c) In all cases other than residential charges hereinabove set forth, the sewer charge shall be computed and paid as follows:

(1) Metered Water Supply. When charges and fees are based upon the water usage, such charges and fees shall be applied against the total amount of water used from all sources unless, in the opinion of the Director of the City of Tacoma Public Works, significant portions of water received are not discharged to a sanitary sewer. The total amount of water used from public and private sources will be determined by means of public meters or private meters, installed and maintained at the expense of the user and approved by the Director of the City of Tacoma Public Works. Where more than one commercial/industrial facility is served by one water meter, the user group shall be determined by the activities of the largest water consumption used.

(d) The charge for commercial/industrial sanitary sewer user groups shall be as follows:

(1) Effective Date: ~~January 1, 2003~~ December 22, 2004– a fixed charge of ~~\$13.57~~ \$14.66.

Each commercial/industrial user shall be placed in a user group and shall pay the appropriate flow rate per 100 cubic feet (ccf) as identified in Table 1. In addition, all restaurants and taverns shall be placed in the Category II Group unless the customer provides documentation that they have an approved grease retention device conforming to current Uniform Plumbing Code and City of Tacoma Public Works guidelines, and that the customer has an adequate on-going maintenance program in place for that device. The customer will remain in the Category I group as long as those conditions are continually met. In the event those conditions are not continually met, the customer will be placed back into the Category II group.

Table 1

<b>Name of Group</b>	<b><del>Effective</del> 12/2001</b>	<b>Effective 12/22/04</b>
Bakeries (Manufacturers)	<del>6.2547</del>	<u>6.7647</u>
Candy Producers	<del>9.0056</del>	<u>9.7356</u>
Soft Drink Beverage Manufacturers	<del>4.2067</del>	<u>4.5467</u>
Canned and Cured Fish	<del>4.8790</del>	<u>5.2790</u>
Fresh or Frozen Fish	<del>4.8790</del>	<u>5.2790</u>
Commercial Printers	<del>3.2715</del>	<u>3.5415</u>
Business Form Printers	<del>3.2715</del>	<u>3.5415</u>
Chemical Processors	<del>3.4321</del>	<u>3.7121</u>
Paint Manufacturers	<del>6.6534</del>	<u>7.1934</u>
Asphalt Shingle Manufacturers	<del>3.6559</del>	<u>3.9559</u>
Concrete Readymix Suppliers	<del>3.8649</del>	<u>4.1749</u>
Lime Manufacturers	<del>3.3085</del>	<u>3.5785</u>
Platers	<del>2.5340</del>	<u>2.7440</u>
<del>Coating and Engraving</del> Services	<del>4.8619</del>	<u>5.2519</u>
Vehicle Part Manufacturers	<del>6.1505</del>	<u>6.6505</u>

Meat Distributors	6.3870	<u>6.9070</u>
Grocery Stores – Others	4.8072	<u>5.1372</u>
Grocery Stores – Full Service	8.0595	<u>8.7095</u>
Restaurants (Category I)	6.9744	<u>7.5344</u>
Restaurants (Category II)	8.3749	<u>9.0449</u>
Tavern – No Food Preparation	3.3619	<u>3.6319</u>
Tavern – Food Preparation (Category I)	6.9744	<u>7.5344</u>
Tavern – Food Preparation (Category II)	8.3749	<u>9.0449</u>
Hotels and Motels – No Restaurant	3.8133	<u>4.1233</u>
Hotels and Motels – With Restaurant	5.8011	<u>6.2711</u>
Commercial Laundries	5.8906	<u>6.3706</u>
Laundromats	3.2715	<u>3.5415</u>
Photo Studios	2.9713	<u>3.2113</u>
Funeral Services – No Embalming	3.6331	<u>3.9331</u>
Funeral Services – With Embalming	8.0595	<u>8.7095</u>
Photo Finish Laboratories	3.0741	<u>3.3241</u>
Top and Body Repair Shops	4.0925	<u>4.4225</u>
Repair and Paint Shops	4.0925	<u>4.4225</u>
Auto Repair Shops	4.0925	<u>4.4225</u>
Car Washes	3.3171	<u>3.5871</u>
Bowling Alleys – No Restaurant	4.6359	<u>5.0159</u>
Bowling Alleys W/Category I Restaurant	6.9744	<u>7.5324</u>
Bowling Alleys W/Category II Restaurant	8.3749	<u>9.0449</u>
Nursing Homes	3.4068	<u>3.6794</u>
Hospitals	3.7459	<u>4.0456</u>
Domestic Strength	3.6331	<u>3.9331</u>

Commercial/industrial users not identified above will be billed at domestic strength.

(e) Every premises to which sanitary sewerage is furnished by sanitary sewers, and every premises to which there is availability for such service shall be charged for such service in accordance with the rates and charges herein placed in effect; provided, however, that in no event shall any such charge be less than as provided below:

(1) Effective Date: ~~January 1, 2003~~ December 22, 2004– a fixed charge of \$21.45 \$23.17 plus a flow charge calculated at ~~\$2.36~~ 2.55 per hundred cubic feet (ccf) of water consumption.

Section 2: Of the revenue derived from the rates hereunder, 6.5 percent of revenues and \$5.00 of the fixed charge shall be transferred to the sewer utility reserve fund. (Ord. 1024 § 2, Dec. 14th, 1998).

Section 3: Ordinance No. 1124, and all ordinances amendatory thereto and codified at Ruston Municipal Code Chapter 21.02 are repealed, and this ordinance is substituted therefore as such Chapter 21.02.

Section 4: This ordinance shall be effective on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2004

PASSED THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED by me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004.



Mayor pro tem Robert Pudlo for  
Mayor Kim B. Wheeler

ATTEST.

  
Town Clerk