ORDINANCE NO. 1450

CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES, AMENDING SECTIONS 13.16.060 AND SECTION 13.16.027 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADOPTING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION.

WHEREAS, additional requirements and significant capital improvements to

the City's sewer system have greatly impacted the operating costs of such system, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the sewer service rates in order to

provide for the additional maintenance costs to meet system requirements and provide

funding for scheduled capital improvements, and

WHEREAS, a general facilities charge analysis has been performed and the

results warrant a change from the current methodology,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Section 13.16.060 of the Lacey Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

13.16.060 Service charge – Designated.

<u>A.</u> <u>A.</u> The "basic sewer service charge" of Lacey <u>for each shall be \$17.30 per month</u> <u>per equivalent residential unit for all utility billings rendered during the calendar year</u> <u>2014 and thereafter until amended.during the years 2015 through 2019 shall be as</u> follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Basic Sewer Service Charge	<u>\$18.04</u>	<u>\$18.80</u>	<u>\$19.60</u>	<u>\$20.43</u>	<u>\$21.30</u>

B. The "wastewater service charge" shall be an amount equal to that set by the LOTT Alliance Board of Directors pursuant to the LOTT Alliance Intergovernmental Agreement.

Section 2. Section 13.16.027 of the Lacey Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

13.16.027 General Facilities Charge.

A. There is levied a general facilities charge on all properties proposed to be connected for service by the Lacey sewerage system. The amount of the sewerage general facilities charge levied on a particular piece of property shall be equal to the number of equivalent residential units estimated to be used by said property multiplied by the rate per equivalent residential unit determined as set forth in LMC 13.16.027(B). The term "equivalent residential unit" or "ERU" for purposes of this section shall be as follows:

1. Single-family residence, including mobile homes: one ERU per living unit;

2. Duplex (two-family residence): two ERUs;

3. Residential buildings containing more than two living units: 7/10 of an ERU per living unit;

4. Commercial, industrial or other customers not readily identified as a residential customer, including but not limited to, hotels, motels, boarding or rooming houses, nursing homes and transient (overnight) trailer parks: one ERU for each estimated 900 cubic feet of water to be consumed per month.

B. The general facilities charge for each equivalent residential unit during <u>1989-2014</u> shall be <u>\$8003,218</u>.00. The rate of said charge shall be increased annually on January 1st of each calendar year by an amount equal to the increase in the Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index or by six percent, whichever rate of increase is higher.

C. The general facilities charge levied herein shall be due and payable for each individual service prior to the connection of such service to the Lacey sewerage system unless such general facilities charge is included as part of the assessment levied against a parcel of property as part of a local improvement district or utility local improvement district.

D. If the land use of a property is proposed to be changed to a use which will increase the equivalent residential unit use of sewerage capacity and said proposed change in use is after charges levied herein have been computed and paid, a condition of allowing said increased use shall be that the owner of said property will pay to the city an additional general facilities charge in accordance with this section equal to the increase in the contemplated equivalent residential unit use.

E. The charges established and levied by this section shall be in addition to any and all charges for reserve capacity or capacity development of joint sewerage facilities under

LMC 13.16.025 and any and all charges for sewerage collection system or other sewerage facilities not covered by the reserve capacity charge or capacity development or the general facilities charge whether such charges are by latecomers agreement or otherwise.

F. The payment of such connection charges shall be in accordance with Chapter 13.02 LMC.

<u>Section 3.</u> CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Summary attached hereto is hereby approved for publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, at

a regularly called meeting thereof, held this 18th day of December, 2014.

CITY COUNCIL

that for Mayor Kyder

Approved as to form: City Attorney

Attest:

Carol Litter

City Clerk

SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION ORDINANCE NO. 1450 CITY OF LACEY

The City Council of the City of Lacey, Washington, passed on December 18, 2014, Ordinance No. 1450, entitled "AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES, AMENDING SECTION 13.16.060 AND SECTION 13.16.027 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADOPTING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION."

The main points of the Ordinance are described as follows:

- 1. The Ordinance amends section 13.16.060 of the Lacey Municipal Code providing an increase for "basic sewer service charges".
- 2. The Ordinance amends section 13.16.027 of the Lacey Municipal Code providing annual increases for the "general facilities charge".
- 3. Provides provisions for corrections.
- 4. The Ordinance approves this Summary for Publication.

A copy of the full text of this Ordinance will be mailed without charge to any person requesting the same from the City of Lacey.

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