

ORDINANCE NO. 4808

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Division 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), Article B (SEWAGE AND DISPOSAL SYSTEMS), Chapter 6 (WATER & SEWER), of Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Division 1, Article B, Chapter 6, all of Title 5 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained by the amendment of Sections 5-6-25.1 to read as follows:

(New language is underscored; deleted material is ~~stricken~~)

Sec. 5-6-25.1 - Sewer connection permits and service fees; construction costs; constructing sewers by owners rather than city; additional connections.

(a) Any person who is required, or who desires, to provide a connection for sewer service from his property, through any sewer constructed by or belonging to the city or any sewer serving the area annexed to the city in 1952, but belonging to a county, by direct connection at a city sewer main, trunk or lateral, shall, before starting to make such connection, apply to the director for a permit to make the connection, and the director shall issue a permit for the sewer connection when and after the person shall have paid to the department of finance the sum hereinafter provided.

- (1) For each single family dwelling, townhouse dwelling, or townhouse type dwelling irrespective of classification for other purposes, or for each dwelling unit in a two-family dwelling, the amount of ~~\$7,432~~ 8,404.
- (2) For each multifamily dwelling, an amount equal to the product of the number of dwelling units in the multifamily dwelling, multiplied by ~~\$3,716~~ 4,201. For all final site plans submitted on or after September 1, 2013, the amount shall be increased to 90 percent of the single family dwelling amount.
- (3) For each hotel room, an amount equal to the product of the number of dwelling units in the hotel multiplied by \$4,201. For all final site plans submitted on or after September 1, 2013, the amount shall be increased to 70 percent of the single family dwelling amount, and for all final site plans submitted on or after July 1, 2014, the amount shall be increased to 90 percent of the single family dwelling amount.
- (4) ~~(3)~~ For each nonresidential property, an amount determined in accordance with the following fee schedule based on the size of each water meter which serves such nonresidential property:

Meter Size (inches)	Max. Capacity (GPM)	¾" Meter Equiv.	Fee

¾ or smaller	30	1.00	\$7,432 <u>8,404</u>
1	50	1.67	\$12,411 <u>14,034</u>
1½	100	3.33	\$24,749 <u>27,985</u>
2	160	5.33	\$39,613 <u>44,793</u>
3	320	10.76	\$79,968 <u>90,425</u>
4	500	16.67	\$123,891 <u>140,092</u>
6	1000	33.33	\$247,709 <u>280,101</u>
8	1600	53.33	\$396,349 <u>448,178</u>
10	2300	76.67	\$569,811 <u>644,323</u>

- (5) ~~(4)~~ For each mixed use property, where such property includes both residential and nonresidential uses, an amount equal to the sum of the fee determined for the residential portion of such property, in accordance with this section, plus the fee determined for the nonresidential portion of such property, in accordance with this section; provided, however, if the residential portion and nonresidential portion of such property are served by a single water meter, the fee shall be an amount determined by the director in his reasonable discretion.
- (6) For connections that involve the removal of an existing structure with an existing tap, a credit for the existing tap shall be applied towards the total connection fee otherwise due in accordance with this section for final site plans submitted on or after September 1, 2013. The amount of the credit shall be estimated by the director and shall be based on the previous use. The credit shall only apply to properties removed or demolished not longer than three years prior to the submission of the final site plan for the new structure. The credit shall be equal to 50 percent of the current fee that would be applied to the structure or structures being removed. For mixed use properties, the credit will be based on the sum of the residential credit and nonresidential credit, in accordance with this section. If the previous use was served by a single water meter, the credit shall be an amount determined by the director in his reasonable discretion.
- (7) For an existing property that changes its use, such as from non-residential to residential (or vice versa), increases the number of residential units or hotel rooms, or adds or increases the water meter size to account for the change in use, the amount of shall be calculated as follows:
- (i) If the same sewer connection (tap) is utilized, then the fee shall be based on the net increase in units (or usage) between the existing and proposed uses.
 - (ii) If a new sewer tap is required, then the fee shall be set in accordance with the fees for new construction set forth in this section, net of any credits due pursuant to section (6) above.

- (8) In cases where a DSP/DSUP extension is filed after the connection fees have been established for a development project (following final plan submission), the connection fee rate shall be revised to reflect the current fee structure in effect at the time the extension is approved. For all final site plans submitted prior to April 1, 2013, one DSP/DSUP extension may be granted without revising the connection fee rate previously established at the time of the final site plan submission.
- (9) ~~(5) The chart set forth in section (3) above Sections (1) through (4) reflects the fees for fiscal year 2009 final site plans submitted before July 1, 2013. Those Beginning in fiscal year 2014 and fees were adjusted upward at the rate of inflation as determined by the annual CPI-U for the Washington-Baltimore-Northern Virginia, DC-MD-VA-WVA Combined Statistical Area on July 1 of each of fiscal years 2010 and 2011. For fiscal year 2012 and going forward, the foregoing fees shall increase each year at the rate of inflation as determined by the annual CPI-U for the Washington-Baltimore-Northern Virginia, DC-MD-VA-WVA Combined Statistical Area and shall apply to all final plans filed submitted between July 1 of that year and June 30 of the subsequent year. The fees applicable to each fiscal year after FY 2011 are subject to annual review by city council.~~
- (b) Extension of service; credits for such extension.

[The remaining sections are unchanged.]

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon passage.

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Mayor

Final Passage: May 18, 2013