

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF HERMOSA BEACH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 13.12
TO THE HERMOSA BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE
REGARDING SEWER SERVICE CHARGE**

The City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach does ordain as follows:

Section 1. A new Chapter 13.12 entitled Sewer Service Charge is added to Title 13 of the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code to read as follows:

Sections:

13.12.010 Charges Levied.

13.12.020 Collection of Charges.

13.12.030 ESUs for Various Land Uses.

13.12.040 Use of Funds.

13.12.010 Charges Levied.

An annual sewer service charge is levied upon each parcel of real property in the City of Hermosa Beach for the overall operation, maintenance and servicing of the city-owned sewer system as well as the funds deemed appropriate and necessary to pay for capital improvements and reserves. The charge was adopted in accordance with Article XIID of the California Constitution (Proposition 218). Beginning July 1, 2015, the amount of the charge for each parcel shall be computed by multiplying \$115.00 by the number of equivalent sewage units ("ESUs") for the current land use of the parcel as shown in Section 13.12.030 below. Beginning July 1, 2016 and each July 1 through July 1, 2020, the sewer service charge shall be increased for inflation by the annual increase in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers in the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA Area (CPI), including all items as published by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics as of March 1 of each year, not to exceed two percent (2%) per year.

13.12.020 Collection of Charges.

The sewer service charge shall be collected for each fiscal year on the tax roll in the same manner, by the same persons, and at the same time as, together with and not separately from, the general taxes of the city. For any fiscal year that the sewer service charge is not collected on the tax roll, the city may

collect all or a portion of the sewer service charge for such year on the tax roll in the following fiscal year or years.

13.12.030 ESUs for Various Land Uses.

For residential parcels, the ESU and charge is calculated as follows:

LAND USE	ESU
Single Family	1.0
Condominiums	1.0
Multi Family (Charge is per unit)	0.6
Vacant parcels	0.5

For non-residential parcels, the ESU is calculated by the following equation:

ESU= [Commercial Water Consumption GPD]/260 GPD (the same GPD as a single-family residential lot).

13.12.040 Use of Funds.

The sewer service charge funds collected shall be used to cover the expenses for the overall operation, maintenance and servicing of the city-owned sewer system as well as to pay for capital improvements and reserves. The Hermosa Beach Finance Director, or designee, shall deposit all moneys representing charges collected by the County to the credit of the City's Sewer Fund.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of July, 2015.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney