



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

from the **CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH**

Notice of increase in annual sewer service charge effective **Jul. 1, 2019** for fiscal year 2019-2020.

Visit [www.hermosabch.org](http://www.hermosabch.org) for additional information from the City or contact City consultant (Jeff Cooper of NV5) at 949-585-0477.

Each year, 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's sewer system as well as the funds deemed appropriate and necessary to pay for capital improvements and reserves.

On July 1, 2019, the City's current rates will increase by the annual increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI-W) for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers in Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA Los Angeles and Orange County Area with a cap of 2%. The increase for the upcoming year is 2%. The rate increase is necessary to ensure the funding for the sewer program keeps up with cost increases for maintenance services and capital improvement projects.

The formula for the calculation of the 2018-2019 sewer service charge rates was computed by multiplying \$121.69 by the number of equivalent sewage units ("ESUs") for the current land use. For fiscal year 2019-2020, the base charge will be increased by the 2% CPI to \$124.12.

The ESU for various non-residential land uses is calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{ESU} = [\text{commercial water consumption GPD}] / 260 \text{ GPD per SFRU}$$

The charge per ESU for non-residential land uses is \$124.12/ESU for fiscal year 2019-2020.

For fiscal year 2019-2020, the sewer service charge rates with the 2% CPI increase for residential and vacant parcels are described below:

**City of Hermosa Beach  
Residential and Vacant Parcel Sewer Charges**

| Land Use                             | 2018-2019<br>Annual<br>Charge<br>(per unit) | 2019-2020<br>Annual<br>Charge<br>(per unit) | Amount of<br>Annual<br>Increase |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Single Family                        | \$121.69                                    | \$124.12                                    | \$2.43                          |
| Condominiums                         | \$121.69                                    | \$124.12                                    | \$2.43                          |
| Multi Family<br>(Charge is per unit) | \$73.01                                     | \$74.47                                     | \$1.46                          |
| Vacant Parcels                       | \$60.85                                     | \$62.06                                     | \$1.21                          |

### **SEWER FEE REBATE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS & PERMANENTLY DISABLED**

If you meet the following criteria for a rebate, please fill out an application and affidavit to receive the rebate at the Finance Department at City Hall, located at 1315 Valley Dr., Hermosa Beach on the 2nd Floor. City Hall hours are Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please bring your property tax bills, proof of payment, and proof of age.

The following people are eligible for a 100% rebate of the annual sewer fee for the one personal residence in which the rebate applicant resides:

#### REBATE CRITERIA

- Seniors 65 years of age or older and have annual income of \$75,000 or under
- People who are permanently disabled as a result of a physical or mental impairment and have annual income of \$75,000 or under

Contact the Finance Dept. with questions regarding the rebate at (310) 318-0225.

**This is not a bill. The sewer service charge will be collected on the annual property tax roll for 2019-2020.**