

## CHAPTER 99

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**99.01 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES REQUIRED.** Every customer shall pay to the City sewer service fees as hereinafter provided.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.02 RATE.** Each customer shall pay sewer service charges for the use and for the service supplied by the municipal sanitary sewer system as follows:

Facility Charge	\$50.00 per month
Usage Charge	No usage charge for up to 2,000 gallons  \$12.50 per 1,000 gallons for usage over 2,000 gallons in a month

*(Section 99.02 – Ord. 728 – May 23 Supp.)*

**99.03 SPECIAL RATES.** Where, in the judgment of the Superintendent and the Council, special conditions exist to the extent that the application of the sewer charges provided in Section 99.02 would be inequitable or unfair to either the City or the customer, a special rate shall be proposed by the Superintendent and submitted to the Council for approval by resolution.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.04 PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS.** Customers whose premises are served by a private water system shall pay sewer charges based upon the water used as determined by the City either by an estimate agreed to by the customer or by metering the water system at the customer's expense. Any negotiated, or agreed upon sales or charges shall be subject to approval of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.05 PAYMENT OF BILLS.** All sewer service charges are due and payable under the same terms and conditions provided for payment of a combined service account as contained in Section 92.04 of this Code of Ordinances. Sewer service may be discontinued in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 92.05 if the combined service account becomes delinquent, and the provisions contained in Section 92.08 relating to lien notices shall also apply in the event of a delinquent account.

Late Payment Penalty. Bill not paid when due shall be considered delinquent. A late payment penalty of 1½ percent per month of the amount due shall be added to each delinquent bill.

**99.06 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT.** The owner of the premises served and any lessee or tenant thereof shall be jointly and severally liable for sewer service charges to the premises. Sewer service charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall be certified by the Clerk to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes. Sewer services charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall also be sent to the Iowa Department of Revenue for setoff pursuant to procedures adopted by the department (*Ord. 731 – Feb. 24 Supp.*)  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84*)

**99.07 SPECIAL AGREEMENTS PERMITTED.** No statement in these chapters shall be construed as preventing a special agreement, arrangement or contract between the Council, and any industrial concern whereby an industrial waste of unusual strength or character may be accepted subject to special conditions, rate and cost as established by the Council.

(*Ch. 99 – Ord. 620 – July 06 Supp.*)

**99.08 SETOFF.** The charge for delinquent sewer service charges shall not be sent to the Iowa Department of Revenue unless prior written notice of intent to offset is given to the customer. If the customer is a tenant and if the owner or landlord of the property has made a written request for notice, the notice shall also be given to the owner or landlord. The notice shall be sent to the appropriate persons by ordinary mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to submission to the Iowa Department of Revenue. (*Ord. 731 – Feb. 24 Supp.*)

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