

## Ordinance 16523

### ORDINANCE REVISING WATER/SEWER FEES

WHEREAS, the City of Durham has the authority to establish and revise from time-to-time schedules of rents, rates, fees, and charges for the use of or the services furnished or to be furnished by any public enterprise pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. Chapter 160A Article 16; and

WHEREAS, the City of Durham Water Management Department operates as a public enterprise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE DURHAM CITY COUNCIL that:

SECTION 1. Part 15-106 of the City's Fee Schedule is revised to read as follows:

Sewer Use Fees are described in Division 3 Fees Sections 70-241 and 70-243 of the Sewer Use Ordinance.

<b>Conventional Pollutant Surcharges</b>	
(Discharges with concentrations greater than 250 mg/L)	
BOD (per 1000 lbs)	\$210.00
TSS (per 1000 lbs)	\$90.00

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<b>Monitoring / Analytical Fees</b>	
Sampling	\$110
Laboratory Analyses (w/sampling)	
BOD and TSS (per event)	\$125
BOD, TSS and O&G (per event)	\$140
BOD, TSS and 8 metals (per event)	\$213
BOD, TSS 8 metals and Fluoride (per event)	\$225
8 metals (per event)	\$198
8 metals and fluoride (per event)	\$210

SECTION 2. Part 15-112 of the City's Fee Schedule is revised to read as follows:

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<b>Discharge Permit Fees</b>	
Permit Application	\$200
Groundwater Remediation Permit	\$200
Categorical Industrial User Permit	\$300
Industrial User with Metals and /or Organic Limits Permit	\$200

Industrial User with Conventional Pollutants Permit	\$100
Permit Modifications (At permittee's request)	\$100

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<b>Industrial Pretreatment Program</b>	
PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) (per event)	\$600
1,4 Dioxane (per event)	\$140
Pharmaceutical Parameters (per event)	\$375

SECTION 3. Part 15-103 of the City's Fee Schedule is revised to read as follows

Meter Size	Water Capacity Needed (gallons per day)	Sewer Capacity Needed (gallons per day)	Water Fee	Sewer Fee - Combined	Sewer Fee - Collection	Sewer Fee - Treatment
5/8"	321	276	\$2,591	\$3,028	\$1,013	\$2,015
1"	801	690	\$6,478	\$7,570	\$2,533	\$5,038
1-1/2"	1,603	1,380	\$12,956	\$15,140	\$5,065	\$10,075
2"	2,564	2,209	\$20,729	\$24,224	\$8,104	\$16,120
3"	4,808	4,141	\$41,458	\$48,449	\$16,208	\$32,240
4"	8,014	6,902	\$64,778	\$75,701	\$25,325	\$50,375
6"	16,028	13,804	\$129,555	\$151,402	\$50,651	\$100,751
8"	25,645	22,086	\$207,288	\$242,243	\$81,042	\$161,202
10"	38,467	33,128	\$544,132	\$635,888	\$212,734	\$423,154
12"	84,948	73,159	\$686,642	\$802,430	\$268,450	\$533,980

The Fee Schedule outlines "Capital Facilities Fees" (sometimes called "system development fees"). Two additional columns, showing the fees in an additional unit of measurement: "gallons

per day per service unit", are to be added. This change will only show the units of measurement for the same existing fees.

SECTION 4. Should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the declaration shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part thereof that is not specifically declared to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. This ordinance takes effect on July 1, 2025.



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