

THE CITY COUNCIL OF NORTH ROYALTON, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 22-160

INTRODUCED BY: Krejci, Dietrich, Antoskiewicz

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, PART 10 STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE, CHAPTER 1045 BILLING, COLLECTION AND CUSTOMER SERVICE, SECTION 1045.08, SANITARY SEWER CHARGES GENERALLY, PARAGRAPH (1)(a), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS: The City of North Royalton owns, operates and maintains sewage treatment facilities identified generally as the North Royalton Consolidated Sewer District; and

WHEREAS: The Director of Finance is required to conduct an annual audit thereof to assure the collection of sufficient user fees and revenue to operate, maintain and secure the Sewer District facilities and to provide for the retirement of the debt thereon; and

WHEREAS: Based upon analysis and review, the Finance Director and Wastewater Superintendent recommend Council adopt the changes/increases/new allocations set forth in the body of this ordinance hereinbelow to meet the anticipated needs and to correctly account for the ongoing project cost in the 2023 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. Part 10 Streets, Utilities and Public Services Code, Chapter 1045 Billing, Collection and Customer Service, Section 1045.08, Sanitary Sewer Charges Generally, Paragraph (1)(a) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Royalton is hereby amended to hereinafter read as follows:

(a) For all premises and users that are connected to the sewers of the North Royalton Consolidated Sanitary Sewer District and that have water meters showing actual water consumption, whether privately owned or connected to the public water supply system, the sanitary sewer charge shall be as follows:

(1) ~~Effective January 1, 2023, Beginning with the adoption of this ordinance during the first billing month in 2018, and the first billing month of every year thereafter through 2022, the sanitary sewer charge from zero to 1,000 cubic feet of water consumed per month (minimum charge of 1 MCF per quarter shall remain in effect until June 30, 2018), as registered by the water meters, shall be *charged* at the rate as stated below:~~

| Description | 1/1/2018 to 6/30/2018 | 7/1/2018 to 12/31/2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| Fixed Charge per bill | \$— | —\$5.00 | \$5.00 | \$6.00 | \$7.00 | \$8.00 | \$9.00 |
| rate per MCF consumption | \$84.71 | \$79.29 | \$82.98 | \$85.43 | \$87.09 | \$88.83 | \$92.56 |

To be allocated as follows:

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|-----------------------------------|------|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|
| Wastewater Maintenance | 26% | 26% | 26.00% | 36.00% | 24.00% | 25.00% | 36.25% |
| Wastewater Treatment | 59% | 59% | 64.00% | 55.00% | 56.00% | 60.00% | 50.25% |
| Wastewater Debt Service | 4% | 4% | 6.00% | 3.00% | 8.00% | 7.00% | 13.50% |
| Wastewater Repair and Replacement | 11% | 11% | 4.00% | 6.00% | 12.00% | 8.00% | 0 |
| | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

For more than 1,000 cubic feet of water consumed per month, as registered by the water meters, the sanitary sewer charge shall be at the rate indicated above per 1,000 cubic feet or fraction thereof per month. Senior citizens receiving a water homestead exemption from the City of Cleveland Division of Water shall receive a thirty six percent sanitary sewer discount on all rates provided for in this section. The Finance Director is hereby directed to apportion the revenues received from this sanitary sewer charge into the appropriate Waste Water Department fund, as stated above.

Section 2. Part 10 Streets, Utilities and Public Services Code, Chapter 1045 Billing, Collection and Customer Service, Section 1045.08, Sanitary Sewer Charges Generally, Paragraph (1)(a) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of North Royalton is hereby amended as provided for herein and all other provisions of Chapter 1045 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall supersede all previously adopted Ordinances in direct conflict herewith.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the city, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to provide for the fiscal health and solvency of the Sewer District for the well-being of all the citizens of North Royalton.

THEREFORE, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

/s/ Paul F. Marnecheck
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: /s/ Larry Antoskiewicz
MAYOR

DATE PASSED: October 4, 2022

DATE APPROVED: October 5, 2022

ATTEST: /s/ Dana A. Schroeder
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

First reading suspended
Second reading suspended
Third reading October 4, 2022

YEAS: Marnecheck, Nickell, Barath, Krejci,
Dietrich, Carbone-McDonald, Wos

NAYS: none