

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-036**

**CALCULATION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with *New Castle County Code* Chapter 38 (“Utilities”), Article 2 (“Sewers and Sewage Disposal”), Division 38.02.500 (“Sewer services charges”). Section 38.02.503 (“Schedule generally”), County Council must adopt applicable unit charges for sewer service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:**

Section 1. County Council adopts the following sewer unit charges for Fiscal Year 2020:

The following unit charges shall be effective other than for certain contract users:

\$5.034399/1000 gals. flow rate	(q)
\$0.416813/lb. BOD	(b)
\$0.566035/lb. SS	(s)

The rates for certain contract users shall be as follows:

\$3.422731/1000 gals. flow rate	(q)
\$0.416813/lb. BOD	(b)
\$0.566035/lb. SS	(s)

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 38.02.503 F., the annual minimum charge for sewer service shall be fifty-six dollars (\$56.00).

Section 3. The effective date for the provisions in this Ordinance shall be July 1, 2019.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by County Council and approval by the County Executive, or as otherwise provided by 9 *Del. C.* § 1156.

Adopted by Council of  
New Castle County on: 5/28/19

  
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President of Council  
of New Castle County

Approved on: May 29, 2019

  
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County Executive  
New Castle County

**SYNOPSIS:** This Ordinance establishes sewer service charges effective July 1, 2019, for Fiscal Year 2020.

**FISCAL NOTE:** This Ordinance proposes the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2020 sewer user rates which, in conjunction with other related sources of revenue, are estimated to yield sufficient revenue to balance the Fiscal Year 2020 sewer fund budget.

If adopted, this Ordinance would establish a Fiscal Year 2020 composite (flow \$5.034399 + (BOD \$0.416813 X 1.2510 (flow factor) = \$0.5214325) + (SS \$0.566035 X 1.5429 (flow factor) = \$0.8733356)) residential flow rate of \$6.42917 per 1,000 billable gallons. The composite rate remains unchanged from the FY2019 composite rate.

The rates contained in this Ordinance would, if adopted, be applied to all user classes as follows:

User Classification	Number of Users	Gross Billing
Major (Industrial)	22	\$10,957,751
Commercial	3,681	\$12,855,706
Residential	121,723	\$31,830,989
Apartment	228	\$8,250,768
Contract	5	\$5,788,014
Gross Bill	<u>125,659</u>	\$ 69,683,228
Allowance for Delinquent Accounts:		(2,783,228)
		<u>\$ 66,900,000</u>

*Daryl Grayson*