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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 2 OF CHAPTER 9 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, 1957, AS AMENDED, BY INCREASING RATES FOR SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Abilene, Texas, on April 2, 1962, approved a water and sewer revenue bond issue for the construction of a secondary sewage treatment facility in the Hamby community in order to efficiently process, in accordance with State Health Department requirements, the sanitary sewage of an increasing population; and,

WHEREAS, the administrative staff at that time advised the Board of Commissioners and the citizens that in order to meet the bonded indebtedness of the bond issue the sanitary sewage disposal rates would have to be increased at the time construction of the project was authorized; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Abilene has awarded a contract for the construction of said sanitary sewage facility and the administrative staff has recommended to the Council that the sewage disposal rates be amended as hereinafter set forth, and it is the opinion of the City Council that the new proposed rate schedule is fair and equitable and reasonably related to the amount of revenue to retire the bonded indebtedness; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

Section 1: That Section 9-2 of Chapter 9 of The Code of the City of Abilene, Texas, 1957, as amended, be, and the same is hereby, further amended so as to read as follows on and after August 1, 1963:

"Sec. 9-2. RATES INSIDE CORPORATE LIMITS.

"(a) Residence: Every person, firm or corporation whose premises are served or may hereafter be served by a connection with the system of sewage of the City of Abilene, whereby the sewage or industrial waste or either is disposed of by the City of Abilene, either through the sewage facilities of the City of Abilene, or otherwise, shall pay a rental charge, to-wit:

"First Fixture	\$ .95 per month
Next Fixture	.20 per month
Each Additional Fixture	.15 each, per month

"In all cases where more than one living unit is supplied through one water meter a sewer charge of \$.95 per month will be made for the first sewer fixture in each living unit, \$.20 per month for the second sewer fixture in each living unit, and \$.15 each per month for all over two fixtures connected with the sanitary sewer system, regardless of whether units are occupied.

"(b) Industrial: The owners or occupants of all other premises

served or which may hereafter be served by a connection with the system of sewage of the City of Abilene, discharging "industrial wastes" and/or sewage, shall pay a charge in proportion to the amount of water used, either metered or otherwise determined, to-wit:

"First 13,000 gallons of water used	\$ .11 per 1,000 gallons
"Next 1,000 gallons of water used	.08 per 1,000 gallons
"Next 86,000 gallons of water used	.09 per 1,000 gallons
"Next 150,000 gallons of water used	.05 per 1,000 gallons
"All over 250,000 gallons of water used	.03 per 1,000 gallons

"The minimum charge per month, or fraction thereof, shall be \$1.45 per month.

"In all cases where more than one industrial unit is supplied through one water meter, a minimum sewer charge of \$1.45 per month will be made for each industrial unit connected with the sanitary sewer system regardless of whether the unit is occupied. In all cases each industrial unit connected with the sanitary sewer system will be charged on the same basis as if served by separate meters.

"In all cases where a water meter serves a business unit or units and a residence unit or units, it will be classed as industrial.

"(c) If 15% or more of the water on which an industrial waste sewer rental charge is based is shown, by approved measuring device or otherwise determined by the Superintendent of the City Water Department, not to have passed into the system of sewage of the City, then the charge shall be based upon the actual amount of water passing into the City system of sewage, evaporation and normal water consumption not considered."

Section 2: That a public hearing shall be held at 8:30 A. M. on ~~August~~ <sup>July</sup> 25, 1963, in the Council Chambers at the City Hall in Abilene, Texas, on said proposed

rate increase, and the City Secretary is hereby directed to advertise said public hearing in the official newspaper of the City of Abilene. At the close of the public hearing, said ordinance shall be considered on second reading for final passage.

PASSED this 18th day of July, A. D. 1963.

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this 25<sup>th</sup> day of ~~August~~ <sup>July</sup>

~~August~~, A. D. 1963.

ATTEST:

*Sila Ann Macklin*  
CITY SECRETARY

*Walter Byrd*  
MAYOR

APPROVED:

JOHN W. DAVIDSON, City Attorney

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