

# RESOLUTION NO. 2024R-014

## A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MONTHLY SEWER RATES, FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE DOUGLAS COUNTY SEWER UTILITY

**WHEREAS**, Douglas County has the authority to own, operate, and maintain sanitary sewer improvements pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 244.157 and 318.140; and

**WHEREAS**, the Douglas County's sewer utility is operated as an independent enterprise fund in accordance with NRS 354.517; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) has determined that it would be beneficial to modify the monthly sewer rate and connection charges pursuant to the powers granted under NRS 318.199; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that it would be beneficial to deviate from Douglas County's Administrative Policies and Procedures Number 300.08, *Financial Policies for Enterprise Funds*, regarding system operating reserves for FY2025 during the sewer rate setting process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has caused the customers of the Sewer Utility to receive notice of the proposed change in monthly sewer rates, connection charges and fees pursuant to the requirements of NRS 318.199 and all other applicable laws.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Douglas County Commissioners as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Resolution 2014R-030 is repealed in its entirety.

**SECTION 2:** Monthly sewer rates for each Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) are established based on the following schedule:

	FY2025 <sup>a</sup>	FY2026 <sup>b</sup>	FY2027 <sup>c</sup>	FY2028	FY2029
Monthly Rate <sup>d</sup>	\$75.68	\$78.71	\$81.07	\$83.50	\$86.01

<sup>a</sup> The monthly sewer rate increase for FY2025 is equal to 5% from FY2019-2024 rate of \$72.08.

<sup>b</sup> The monthly sewer rate increase for FY2026 is equal to 4% from FY2025.

<sup>c</sup> The monthly sewer rate increases for FY2027-2029 is equal to 3% per year.

<sup>d</sup> The monthly rate is charged for each equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) and is effective July 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

**SECTION 3.** The connection fee for each equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) within the Sewer Utility service area is as follows:

1. All Sewer Utility Service Areas: \$9,960

**SECTION 4.** An inspection fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) will be charged for inspection of each individual connection, or disconnection to the sewer facility.

**SECTION 5.** A monthly late penalty fee of two percent (2%) of the amount due will be charged for any account that is thirty (30) days or more past due.

**SECTION 6.** Owners abandoning an existing septic tank and connecting to the public sewer may pay the full connection fee at the time of connection, or may enter into a contract with the County to pay the required connection charge in installments, by paying a five hundred-dollar (\$500) deposit and paying the remaining balance in five (5) equal annual installments.

**SECTION 7.** The requirements regarding minimum system operating reserves for FY2025 imposed by Douglas County's Administrative Policies and Procedures Number 300.08, *Financial Policies for Enterprise Funds*, are hereby waived for the purposes of setting the sewer rates, connection charges and fees.

**SECTION 8.** This resolution shall be in force and effect from and after the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2024.

**Adopted this 15th day of February 2024, by the following vote:**

VOTE: AYES Commissioners:

\_\_\_\_\_ Hales

\_\_\_\_\_ Tarkanian

\_\_\_\_\_ Rice

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NAYS Commissioners:

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ABSENT Commissioners:

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Wesley A. Rice, Chairman  
Douglas County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Amy Burgans  
Douglas County Clerk-Treasurer