

ORDINANCE NO. ORD-2021-005

ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AMENDING
SECTIONS 15-16.030 AND 15-16.050 OF TITLE 15 OF THE SANTA ROSA CITY CODE
ADOPTING SEWER DEMAND FEE

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 15-16.030(B) of the Santa Rosa City Code is amended to read as follows:

“(B) The sewer demand fees shall be as follows:

(1) Residential:

Type of Connection	Demand Fee
Very Large Lot SFD (over 1 acre)	\$7,040
Large/Medium Lot SFD (6000 sf to 1 acre)	\$5,957
Small Lot SFD (under 6000 sf)	\$5,776
Duplex and Triplex Units	\$5,054
Multi-Family Condominiums, Apartments, Mobile Homes	\$5,054
Large ADUs, SROs, Senior Housing, and Small, High-Density Apartments Units	\$3,971

(2) The sewer demand fee for nonresidential and industrial customers shall be based on:

(a) A nonresidential sewer demand fee rate of \$1,805 per thousand gallons per month (TGM); and

(b) The estimated monthly sewer flow quantity for the type of use based upon the factors in Table 15-1: Nonresidential or Industrial Demand Factors - Typical Parameters, with the following requirements: the minimum flow quantity that must be purchased for nonresidential uses is 1,000 TGM, and purchases must be made in increments of 1,000 TGM. The Director of Utilities/City Engineer may periodically review the water/sewer usage of nonresidential and industrial customers. If the actual usage (flow quantity) exceeds the capacity purchased, the payment of additional demand fees at the rates currently in effect will be required.

Effective January 1, 2008 and continuing thereafter, demand fees shall be adjusted as

follows: The dollar amounts shown in §15-16.030 (B) shall be increased (or decreased) on January 1 of each calendar year by a percentage equal to the percentage change in the *Engineering News-Record's* 20-City Construction Cost Index for the 12-month period ending November 30 of the prior calendar year.

(3) The fee per thousand gallons per month shall be adjusted annually on January 1 of each year based on the *Engineering News-Record's* 20-City Construction Cost Index, excepting that the fee per thousand gallons per month will be reviewed at approximately every 5 years and be increased or decreased to take actual changes in the City's General Plan or Department Master Plans into consideration.

Table 15-1: Nonresidential or Industrial Demand Factors—Typical Parameters

Category	**Type of Uses	Average Monthly Flow (gallons per month per 1000 square feet)
1	Warehouse	130
2	Retail; Schools; Office; Church; Playhouses; Gym without shower; Self-Serve Frozen Yogurt	730
3	Auto Repair	670
4	Dental Office	2,950
5	Auto Sales	1,540
6	Halls	1,440
7	Movie Theaters	1,700
8	Surgery Centers	4,400
9	Convenience Store; Grocery without food preparation; Gas Station (car wash calculated separately)	2,730
10	Barber; Beauty Salon	3,970
11	Bakery	2,890
12	Deli; Grocery with food preparation	5,160
13	Veterinary Clinic	5,210
14	Motels; Hotels (restaurant and conference center areas calculated separately)	7,350
15	Gym with showers	8,250
16	Hospital	11,840 gallons per month per bed
17	Bar	6,940

18	Coffee shop	9,460
19	Restaurant	9,900
20	Skill Nursing; Assisted Living; Residential Care	2,307 gallons per month, per bed
21	Commercial Laundry	70% of water use based on comparable operations
22	Car wash	40% of water use based on comparable operations
** The usage for categories not shown in this table, such as coin laundry facilities, wineries, breweries and distilleries, will be determined based on comparable uses and data submitted by applicant.”		

Section 2. Environmental Determination. The Council finds that the adoption and implementation of this ordinance are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act in that the Council finds there is no possibility that the implementation of this ordinance may have significant effects on the environment.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid and/or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

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Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on the 31st day following its adoption, excepting the fee, which shall be retroactive to December 15, 2020, the date the 2021 Water and Wastewater Demand Fee Study Report was first reviewed by the Board of Public Utilities Budget Subcommittee at a public meeting. Persons or entities paying sewer demand fees on or after December 15, 2020, may apply to the Director of Water for an administrative adjustment of the sewer demand fees.

This ordinance was introduced by the Council of the City of Santa Rosa on June 29, 2021.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of July, 2021.

AYES: (5) Mayor C. Rogers, Vice Mayor N. Rogers, Council Members Alvarez, Sawyer, Schwedhelm

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (2) Council Members Fleming, Tibbetts

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney