COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY - 2018-20

RESOLUTION NO. 44-2018

Title of Resolution: Water and Sewer – Sewer Use – Connection Charge

Synopsis: A Resolution to re-establish a reduction of the connection fee for residential living units from \$12,000 per equivalent living unit to \$6,000 per equivalent living unit within the Cecil County Sanitary District; to establish that the \$6,000 reduction applies to all subdivisions receiving approval prior to July 31, 2020, and will remain in effect as long as the subdivision maintains its validity; and to re-establish that terms of any installment payment of the wastewater connection charge to be subject to terms as specified in the Sanitary District Policy.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: <u>December 4, 2018</u>

Scheduled for consideration on: December 18, 2018

By: Council Manager Council

Notice of time title of Resolution having been posted by <u>December 4, 2018</u> at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on <u>December 18, 2018</u>.

Council Manager

EXPLANATION:

CAPITALS INDICATE LANGUAGE ADDED TO EXISTING RESOLUTION

Strike through indicates language deleted from existing Resolution <u>Underlining</u> indicates language added to Resolution by Amendment

Double Strike Through indicates language stricken out of Resolution by Amendment.

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 365-38 of the Code of Cecil County: "The County reserves

the right to establish said rates and connection charges by a future sewer user regulation and to 2

increase and decrease said rates and charges from time to time by further regulation and to

establish different classifications as to rates for residential sewer systems, commercial and

industrial use."; and 5

> WHEREAS, Cecil County Council Resolution 31-2017, adopted July 18, 2017, decreased the wastewater connection charge for each residential equivalent living unit from \$12,000 per equivalent living unit to \$6,000 per equivalent living unit, established that the installment payment method of residential wastewater connection charges would be published, and changed through the Sanitary District Policy issued by the Director of Sanitary Facilities (the Director of Public Works), and provided that decrease of the wastewater connection charge for each residential equivalent living unit from \$12,000 per equivalent living unit to \$6,000 per equivalent living unit was effective upon passage of Resolution 31-2017, and would sunset 24 months after the date of passage, with the option for the County Executive to extend the period of reduction for an additional 6 months for individuals who have a valid building permit at sunset; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive requests introduction and passage of this Resolution to extend the sunset date to July 31, 2020, to establish that the \$6,000 reduction applies to all subdivisions receiving approval prior to July 31, 2020 and will remain in effect as long as the subdivision maintains its validity, to re-establish that the wastewater connection charge for each residential equivalent living unit which shall, upon passage of this Resolution, remain \$6,000, and to re-establish that the installment payment method of residential wastewater connection charges is to be published in, and changed through, the Sanitary District Policy issued by the Director of Sanitary Facilities (the Director of Public Works).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND, that an extension of the sunset date for reduction of the wastewater connection charge for each residential equivalent living unit is in the best interest of Cecil County, Maryland.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the extension of the reduction of the wastewater connection charge for residential equivalent living units from \$12,000 per equivalent living unit to \$6,000 per equivalent living unit is hereby approved and adopted.

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AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the decrease of the wastewater connection charge for each residential equivalent living unit from \$12,000 per equivalent living unit to \$6,000 per equivalent living unit will be effective upon passage of this Resolution, and will sunset on July 31, 2020. All subdivisions receiving approval prior to July 31, 2020 shall qualify for the \$6,000 per equivalent living unit charge as long as the project maintains its validity.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY MARYLAND, that the installment payment method of residential wastewater connection charges will be published in, and changed through, the Sanitary District Policy issued by the Director of Sanitary Facilities (the Director of Public Works).

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland.

INTRODUCED: December 4, 2018

ADOPTED: December 18, 2018

President of the Council

ATTEST:

Council Manager