

ORDINANCE NO. _____
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MASON, TENNESSEE,
AMENDING MASON MUNICIPAL CODE §§ 18-203 AND 18-205
TO REVISE CERTAIN SEWER CONNECTION CHARGES
AND TO ESTABLISH SEWER RATES

WHEREAS, Title 18, Chapter 2 of the Mason Municipal Code governs the Town of Mason, Tennessee's (the "Town") sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town has determined that it is necessary and in the best interest of the Town to amend Mason Municipal Code §§ 18-203 and 18-205 to revise certain sewer connection charges and to establish updated sewer rates for service provided by the Town's sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen further finds that the sewer rate adjustments set forth herein are necessary for the continued operation, maintenance, and financial stability of the Town's sewer system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MASON, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Mason Municipal Code § 18-203 is hereby amended so that the sewer connection fee schedule shall provide as follows:

No permit to connect to the public sanitary sewer system shall be granted unless the applicant first pays to the city recorder a sewer connection fee in the sum of \$2,000.00 for a four inch (4") connection. Any connection larger than four inches (4") shall require a connection fee of \$2,000.00 plus all material and labor costs incurred by the Town.

Except as expressly amended herein, the remainder of § 18-203 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 2. Mason Municipal Code § 18-205 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

18-205. Sewer service charges.

Sewer service charges shall be collected from the person billed for water service to any premises with an accessible sanitary sewer. Effective June 1, 2026, sewer service shall be charged at the following monthly rates:

- (1) Minimum bill for 0 to 3,000 gallons: \$46.22
- (2) Over 3,000 gallons: \$6.67 per 1,000 gallons

Sewer service charges shall be added to and combined with the water service charge, and both charges shall be collected as a unit. No municipal employee shall accept payment of water service charges from any customer without receiving at the same time payment of all sewer service charges owed by such customer. A ten percent (10%) penalty shall be added to the sewer service charge if

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it is not paid on or before the discount date prescribed for the water bill. Water service may be discontinued for nonpayment of the combined bill.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its final passage, the public welfare requiring it, provided that the sewer rates and charges established herein shall become effective on June 1, 2026.

PASSED ON FIRST READING: _____

PUBLIC HEARING: _____

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING: _____

MAYOR

ATTEST:

TOWN RECORDER