

113. "Operation and Maintenance Expenses" shall mean all annual expenses related directly to operating and maintaining the sewage works as identified in "Uniform System of Accounts for Wastewater Utilities" or as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts under general headings, Plant Operation and Maintenance, Sewer Operation and Maintenance, Customer Accounts, Administrative and General, Insurance and Taxes.
114. "Equipment" shall mean all movable, non-fixed items necessary to the wastewater treatment process.
115. "Real Property" shall mean all non-movable fixed in place items such as structures and buildings housing equipment or otherwise used in the wastewater treatment plant process.
116. "Service Life" shall mean the period of time during which a component of a wastewater sewage works will be capable of performing a function; and the maximum life components constructed under EPA Project No. C180613-03 are hereby set as follows:
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| Real Property | - 50 years commencing from |
| Process Equipment | - 30 years commencing from |
| Auxiliary Equipment | - 15 years commencing from |
117. "Replacement" shall mean expenditures for procuring and installing equipment, accessories or appurtenances which are necessary during the service life of the sewage works to maintain its designed capacity and performance.
118. "Sewer Charges" shall be comprised of the user charge and a separate amount for debt service and User Charges shall mean a system of charges levied on users of a treatment works for the cost of operation and maintenance (including replacement) of such works. In addition each user shall pay an amount sufficient to pay principal and interest (debt service) on any revenue bonds, payable from the revenues of the sewage works, proportional to the equipment and real property necessary for wastewater treatment for each user. The method of computing the initial user charge and debt service charge is contained in a report prepared by McCullough & Associates, Public Accountants, Indianapolis, Indiana, and is incorporated as a part hereof. Prior to May 1, of each year, the Utility Service Board shall have prepared and presented to the Common Council an accounting of operation and maintenance expenses, replacement costs and debt service for the immediately preceding calendar year, and the Common Council shall, upon receiving said accounting, effect any change in the monthly sewer charges necessary to produce revenue proportionate to costs for each user.
119. "Surcharge" shall mean a charge for sewerage services in addition to the basic service charge.
- 119.1 "Strength-of-Wastes Surcharge" shall mean the extra user charges for sewerage service assessed users whose sewage is of such a nature that it imposes upon the Sewage Works a burden greater than that covered by the basic user charge.
120. "Suspended Solids" shall mean solids which either float on the surface of or are in suspension in water, sewage or other liquid and which are removable by laboratory filtration. Their concentration shall be expressed in milligrams per liter. Quantitative determinations shall be made in accordance with procedures set forth in "Standard Methods".
121. "Shall" is mandatory and "may" is permissible.
- Section 2. Sewer Charges Based on Water Usage
201. Water Obtained from the City's Water Utility. The sewer charges made for sewerage service rendered to each lot, parcel of real estate or building having any connection with the City's sewerage system or otherwise discharging sewage into that system, either directly or indirectly, shall be based upon the quantity of water presumed to enter the public sewers after being used in or on the property, as the quantity is measured by the water meter or meters therein used by the City's Water Utility, except as herein otherwise provided.
202. Water Obtained from Other Sources. Where the property obtains any part or all of the water used from sources other than the City's Water Utility, the owner or the tenant, except for single family residents, may be required by the City to install and maintain at his own expense a meter or meters acceptable to the City for the purpose of measuring the quantity of water obtained from these other sources, or the City may determine the quantity of such water by whatever means and methods it may find practicable.
203. Exempt Water - General. Where a significant portion of the metered water does not and cannot enter the sewerage system either directly or indirectly, and where the quantity of water entering the premises averages more than 4,000 cubic feet per month, the person having charge of the property may request permission from the City to install at his own expense either an approved meter or meters to determine the quantity of water that cannot enter the sewerage system or an approved sewage-measuring device or devices to determine the volume of sewage that actually enters the sewerage system; when appropriate, the City reserves the right to determine by whatever other means and methods it may find practicable the percentage of the property's metered water that enters the sewerage system. In any case the user charge shall be applied to the quantity of water that can or actually does enter the public sewers.
204. Metering of Sewage. The City may require a non-residential user to install and maintain at his own expense an approved device to measure directly the volumes of wastes discharged to the sewerage system if these volumes cannot otherwise be determined from the metered-water consumption record.