

## CHAPTER 99

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**99.01 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES REQUIRED.** Every customer shall pay to the City sewer service fees as hereinafter provided.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.02 RATE.** Each customer shall pay storm sewer rental in the amount of twelve dollars (\$12.00) per month; charges for the sanitary sewer are forty-five percent (45%) of the bill for water service attributable to the customer for the property served, but in no event less than \$14.47 for the first 2,200 gallons plus \$0.79 per 100 gallons.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.03 SPECIAL RATES.** Where, in the judgment of the Superintendent and the Council, special conditions exist to the extent that the application of the sewer charges provided in Section 99.02 would be inequitable or unfair to either the City or the customer, a special rate shall be proposed by the Superintendent and submitted to the Council for approval by resolution.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.04 PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS.** Customers whose premises are served by a private water system shall pay sewer charges based upon the water used as determined by the City either by an estimate agreed to by the customer or by metering the water system at the customer's expense. Any negotiated, or agreed upon sales or charges shall be subject to approval of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.05 PAYMENT OF BILLS.** All sewer service charges are due and payable under the same terms and conditions provided for payment of a combined service account as contained in Section 92.03 of this Code of Ordinances. Sewer service may be discontinued in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 92.04 if the combined service account becomes delinquent, and the provisions contained in Section 92.07 relating to lien notices shall also apply in the event of a delinquent account.

**99.06 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT.** Except as provided for in Section 92.06 of this Code of Ordinances, the owner of the premises served and any lessee or tenant thereof shall be jointly and severally liable for sewer service charges to the premises. Sewer service charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall constitute a lien upon the premises served and shall be certified by the Clerk to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.07 SPECIAL AGREEMENTS PERMITTED.** No statement in these chapters shall be construed as preventing a special agreement, arrangement or contract between the Council, and

any industrial concern whereby an industrial waste of unusual strength or character may be accepted subject to special conditions, rate and cost as established by the Council.

**99.08 CONFORMANCE WITH CLEAN WATER ACT.** This chapter shall take precedence over any terms or conditions of agreements or contracts between the City and users (including industrial users, special districts and other municipalities) which are inconsistent with the requirements of Section 204(b)(1)(A) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and the corresponding regulations.

**99.09 ADEQUACY OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES.** The City shall adjust the sewer service charges accordingly to maintain adequate funds to operate and maintain the sewer system. Adjustments shall be made as necessary to generate adequate revenue and shall be in accordance with the *Code of Iowa* and all other laws pertaining thereto.

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