ORDINANCE 793

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE "SEWER SERVICE CHARGES" CHAPTER 99 "SEWER SERVICE CHARGES REQUIRED".

1. **BE IT ENacted** by the City Council of West Branch, Iowa, that Section 99.01 "SEWER SERVICE CHARGES REQUIRED" of the Code of West Branch, Iowa is hereby amended by making the following changes:

**99.01 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES REQUIRED.** Each customer shall pay sewer service charges for the use of and for the service supplied by the municipal sanitary sewer system based upon the amount of water consumed as follows:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

1. $15.29 per 1,000 gallons, with a 1,700 – gallon minimum, payable monthly effective February 1, 2022.

2. $16.05 per 1,000 gallons, with a 1,700 – gallon minimum, payable monthly effective July 1, 2022. (increase of $0.76)

3. $17.65 per 1,000 gallons, with a 1,700 – gallon minimum, payable monthly effective July 1, 2023. (increase of $1.50)

Pursuant to Section 91.11, customers may install a separate meter to measure water which is not discharged into the sanitary sewer system.

Adding a new Section 99.02 and retaining and renumbering the remaining sections.

**99.02 ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF SEWER RATES.** Effective the first day of January each year, beginning in 2024, the customer monthly rates as set forth in Sections 99.01, 99.03, and 99.04 of this chapter, shall increase by 2% from the prior year. The City shall review the rates every two years to ensure that the system generates adequate revenues to pay the costs of operation and maintenance, including replacement, and that the system continues to provide for proportional distribution of operation and maintenance, including replacement costs, among users and user classes.

3. This amendment to the ordinance shall be in full effect from and after its publication as by law provided.

4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby amended.

5. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part, section, or provision thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

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Passed and approved this 20th day of June, 2022.

First Reading: May 16, 2022
Second Reading: June 6, 2022
Third Reading: June 20, 2022

Colton Miller, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:

Leslie Brick, City Clerk