

## REGULATION 21 - CONNECTION CHARGES

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"Non-assessed properties" include, but are not limited to, portions of larger parcels which, at the time of assessment levy, were expected to continue in residential use by a single family but which are thereafter divided or segregated for separate residential use, either alone or in combination with other property, and may include properties which at the time of assessment levy, were owned by a government entity but which thereafter become privately owned. "Non-assessed properties" also include acreage who's later parceling or subdivision results in a larger number of direct connections to the system than was originally anticipated at the time of assessment, or may also be the result of any "more intensive" use than was contemplated by the original assessment levy.

**Rule 21.02. CONNECTION CHARGE.** The connection charge provided by this Ordinance shall be computed by the Manager based upon "what the share of the cost of said sewer main and facilities of the connecting property would have been had it been assessed in said proceedings, using the same formula as used in the assessment district for determining the assessment." The basis of the original assessment levy is as follows:

(a) General area charge (all land within 600 feet of sewer main) = \$180.00 per acre.

(b) Local area charge (all land within 200 feet of a sewer main) = \$540.00 per acre,

(c) Unit Charge

i. Lateral Charge - 4 inch = \$1,600.00

Lateral Charge - 6 inch = \$1,825.00

ii. (Local Sewer Availability) Capital Cost/Connection - 4 inch = \$472.00

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(d) Sewer Capacity Fee – If in a sewer service area, a Sewer Capacity fee shall be collected from each applicant requesting a new water service in addition to any processing fees and/or installation charges. The capacity fee is \$8110 per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) plus \$472 for a total fee of \$8582. Please note, an additional \$472 related to joint costs (capital cost per connection) is applied only once, not per ERU. Each July 1<sup>st</sup>, each rate set forth in this subdivision (d) shall be adjusted by the percentage change in the Construction Cost Index for the San Francisco Bay Area as published in the Engineering News Record between July 2017 and the then most recently published Construction Cost Index.

~~(e) Development intensity charge – per excess living unit with allowance of one living unit per one-half (1/2) acre of land = \$225.00 per unit.~~

~~(f)~~(e) Example of application of above described charges- For a one-half (1/2) acre parcel of normal shape that falls entirely within the local and general area with a single dwelling unit constructed thereon, cost would be:

General area charge - \$180.00 x .5 acre =	\$90.00
\$540.00 x .5 acre =	\$270.00
4-inch lateral =	\$1,600.00
(Sewer availability) Capital Cost/Connection=	\$472.00
Capacity charge =	<u>\$8110.00</u>
Subtotal =	\$10,542.00

(f) Administration Fee -- An Administration fee of \$185 shall be charged to cover District costs associated with the review and administration of all service applications and Humboldt County Building & Planning Department referrals associated with new or revised water or sewer service connections. The Administration fee is established at \$185.00; however, the Administration Fee is based on District Labor cost and may be increased annually based upon the annual change, as calculated in December of each year, to an average of the San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA and West-Size Class B/C COLA indexes published by the United State Bureau of Labor Statistics.

- (g) Buy in capacity charge - For all lands added to the sewer service area the Manager shall collect the additional charges set forth in the respective Resolution amending the sewer service area in addition to the other charges described above.
- (h) Connection charges do not include paving over trenches as required by Humboldt County Public Works Department. Paving costs are the responsibility of the developer.

**Rule 21.03. ACCESSORY DWELING UNIT/JUNIOR ACESSORY DWELLING UNIT  
SECONDARY DWELLING UNIT CONNECTION CHARGE.**

(a) For the purposes of this Rule, and in conformance with California Government Code Section 65852.2 and Humboldt County Ordinance Title III, Division I, Chapters 3 and 4, an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) shall be defined as follows: For a unit detached from the Primary Dwelling Unit, an ADU is a detached unit with a total floor area of 1,200 square feet or less. For a unit attached to the Primary Dwelling Unit, an ADU is a unit with a total floor area that does not exceed 50 percent of the floor area of the Primary Dwelling Unit. Any detached Secondary Dwelling in excess of 1,200 square feet or attached Secondary Dwelling Unit over 50 percent of the floor area of the Primary Dwelling Unit shall be charged connection fees as detailed in Rule 21.02.

(a)(b) For the purposes of this Rule, and in conformance with California Government Code Section 65852.22 and Humboldt County Ordinance Title III, Division I, Chapters 3 and 4, a Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU) shall be defined as follows: a JADU is a unit that is no more than 500 square feet in size and contained entirely within a single-family residence. A JADU may include separate sanitation facilities or may share sanitation facilities with the existing structure. For the purpose of providing services, a JADU shall not be considered a separate or new dwelling unit. A JADU shall not be charged any connection or capacity fees per California Government Code Section 65852.22 and Humboldt County Ordinance Title III, Division I, Chapters 3 and 4,

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**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MCKINLEYVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AMENDING REGULATION 21, CONNECTION CHARGES, OF THE MCSD RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the McKinleyville Community Services District is in need of clarifying its rules and regulations relating to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU), Junior Accessory Dwelling Units, and Connection Charges; and

**WHEREAS**, staff has been made aware of specific rules regarding the charging of impact fees for ADU's less than 750 square feet; and

**WHEREAS**, staff has identified the need for the addition for the definition of Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU) to the Rules and Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, staff has been made aware of specific rules regarding the charging of impact fees for Junior Accessory Dwelling Units; and

**WHEREAS**, staff has identified the necessity of adequately covering the cost of staff time involved in the preparation of building and planning referrals.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Directors of the McKinleyville Community Services District ordains as follows:

Regulation 21, Connection Charges, of the District's adopted Rules and Regulations are amended to read as follows:

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This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on August 7, 2024 and passed and adopted by the Board of Directors on September 4, 2024 upon the motion of Director \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Director \_\_\_\_\_ and by the following polled vote:

AYES:  
NOES:       None  
ABSTAIN:   None  
ABSENT:    None

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Scott Binder, Board President

Attest:

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Joseph Blaine, Board Secretary