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| Committee Assignment                                                           |    |
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| <b>PWAB</b>                                                                    |    |

Pure Waters Administrative Boards  
407 County Office Building  
Rochester, New York 14614

**Subject:** Pure Waters Administrative Boards Schedule Public Hearings for Operation and Maintenance Charges for Each of the Monroe County Pure Waters Districts for 2024 and Establishment of Scale of Charges

Honorable Legislators:

In accordance with New York State County Law §266, the Administrative Boards of the various County Pure Waters Districts ("Districts") are required to hold public hearings and to adopt a scale of charges for the respective Districts which charges allocate the costs of operation and maintenance of facilities to the Districts and establish the proportionate factors of surcharge for the treatment of industrial wastes and sewage.

Attached hereto are the proposed charges for each of the County Pure Waters Districts.

**The specific Administrative Boards actions required are:**

1. Schedule a public hearing to consider the proposed 2024 Scale of Charges for the Monroe County Pure Waters Districts.
2. Establish Scale of Charges per the attached schedules for the Gates-Chili-Ogden Sewer District, the Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District, the Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District and the Rochester Pure Waters District for 2024.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(27) ("conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This action will have no impact on the revenues or expenditures of the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter receive favorable action by the Administrative Boards of the Monroe County Pure Waters Districts.

Sincerely,

Adam J. Bello  
Monroe County Executive

## 2024 PURE WATERS RATES

| DISTRICT                      | 2023 RATES | 2024 RATES<br>CAPITAL + O/M | PARCEL<br>CHARGE | TOTAL    |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Northwest Quadrant (1)        | \$142.28   | \$31.81 + \$114.00*         | \$1.00           | \$146.81 |
| Ironde. Bay South Central (2) | \$124.82   | \$30.51 + \$97.20*          | \$1.00           | \$128.71 |
| Gates-Chili-Ogden (4)         | \$271.33   | \$86.86 + \$191.40*         | \$1.00           | \$279.26 |
| Rochester PWD**               | \$254.89   | \$97.30 + \$165.00          |                  | \$262.30 |

\* Based on average water consumption of 60,000 gallons

\*\* Based on \$65,300 Assessed Valuation and 60,000 gallons of water consumption

| DISTRICT                         | CAPITAL RATES<br>2023    | 2024 <sup>^</sup>        | OPERATION & MAINTENANCE RATES<br>2023 | 2024                 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Northwest Quadrant               | \$ 30.88/Unit            | \$ 31.81/Unit            | \$ 1.8400/1,000G W/C                  | \$ 1.9000/1,000G W/C |
| Irondequoit Bay<br>South Central | \$ 29.62/Unit            | \$ 30.51/Unit            | \$ 1.5700/1,000G W/C                  | \$ 1.6200/1,000G W/C |
| Gates-Chili-Ogden                | \$ 84.33/Unit            | \$ 86.86/Unit            | \$ 3.1000/1,000G W/C                  | \$ 3.1800/1,000G W/C |
| Rochester PWD                    | \$ 1.45/AV <sup>^^</sup> | \$ 1.49/AV <sup>^^</sup> | \$ 2.6700/1,000G W/C                  | \$ 2.7500/1,000G W/C |

<sup>^</sup> Capital Rate subject to final adjustment of debt service and assessment values.

<sup>^^</sup> AV = Assessed Value

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| Zones Of Assessments &<br>Service Areas                   | Special | 2023 RATES   | 2024 RATES<br>CAPITAL + O/M | PARCEL<br>CHARGE | TOTAL    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Northwest Quadrant (Local Collection Services)            |         | \$198.30     | \$74.06 + \$129.00**        | \$1.00           | \$204.06 |
| Irondequoit Bay South Central (Local Collection Services) |         | \$180.14     | 30.51 + 165.00 ***          | \$1.00           | \$196.51 |
| Rochester PWD (Zone 2)                                    |         | \$100.000000 | \$100.00                    |                  | \$100.00 |

\*\* Based on average water consumption of 60,000 gallons & \$2.15/1,000G W/C

\*\*\* Based on average water consumption of 60,000 gallons & \$2.75/1,000G W/C

**NOTICE OF HEARINGS ON SCALE OF CHARGES**  
**FOR**  
***GATES-CHILI-OGDEN SEWER DISTRICT***  
***NORTHWEST QUADRANT PURE WATERS DISTRICT***  
***IRONDEQUOIT BAY SOUTH CENTRAL PURE WATERS DISTRICT***  
***ROCHESTER PURE WATERS DISTRICT***

Pursuant to Section 266 of the County Law of the State of New York and Resolution No. 502 of 1971, as amended by Resolution No. 337 of 1974, relating to the Rochester Pure Waters District, and pursuant to Section 266 of the County Law of the State of New York and Resolution Nos. 417 and 418 of 1973, and 449 of 1976, relating to the remaining pure waters districts, as adopted by the County Legislature of the County of Monroe, public hearings will be held by the Administrative Boards of the Gates-Chili-Ogden Sewer District, Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District, Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District and the Rochester Pure Waters District at the Legislative Chambers of the County Legislature in the County Office Building in Rochester, New York, on the \_\_th day of December 2023 on proposed scales of charges for the operation and maintenance of the facilities of the respective Districts as follows:

|                                                            |                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Rochester Pure Waters District:</b>                     | <b>__ : __ p.m. ET</b> |
| <b>Gates-Chili-Ogden Sewer District:</b>                   | <b>__ : __ p.m. ET</b> |
| <b>Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District:</b>            | <b>__ : __ p.m. ET</b> |
| <b>Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District:</b> | <b>__ : __ p.m. ET</b> |

# ***SCALE OF CHARGES***

These Scales of Charges shall be effective commencing January 1, 2024.

## **GATES-CHILI-OGDEN SEWER DISTRICT** **Operation and Maintenance Charge**

**\$3.19** per 1,000 gallons of water consumption (see Notes 1-3).

## **NORTHWEST QUADRANT PURE WATERS DISTRICT** **Operation and Maintenance Charge**

**\$1.90** per 1,000 gallons of water consumption (see Notes 1-3).

## **Operation and Maintenance Charge for properties** **Receiving Local Collection System Services**

**\$2.15** per 1,000 gallons of water consumption (see Notes 1-3).

## **IRONDEQUOIT BAY SOUTH CENTRAL PURE WATERS DISTRICT** **Operation and Maintenance Charge**

**\$1.62** per 1,000 gallons of water consumption

## **Operation and Maintenance Charge for properties** **Receiving Local Collection System Services**

**\$2.75** per 1,000 gallons of water consumption (see Notes 1-3).

## **ROCHESTER PURE WATERS DISTRICT** **Operation and Maintenance Charge**

**\$2.75** per 1,000 Gallons of water consumption (see Notes 1-3).

**CHARGES FOR RPWD ZONE 2: No Charge - Operation and Maintenance not provided.**

**NOTES RE: Operation and Maintenance Charge (All Districts):**

1. This charge is based upon recent historic water consumption reflecting normal domestic waste water. It will be adjusted for industrial and commercial users based on the quality of sewage and additional cost of treatment.
2. This charge is subject to change based on financial obligations of the District.
3. This charge will be included in the 2024 County Tax Bill as a user charge. Accounts for which water consumption has not been calculated by November 1, 2023 will be billed at 60,000 gallons per unit for the user charge commencing January 1, 2024. All such bills unpaid as of October 1st will be transferred to the County Tax Rolls.
4. In-District and out-of-District agreements may be developed based on but not limited to loadings placed on the total sewerage systems pursuant to the Monroe County Sewer Use Law.

**NEW USER CONNECTION FEES**

The charges for regulating, permitting and connecting to a public sanitary sewer within the District are based on average costs incurred by the District for such new connections.

The proposed fee schedule for new connections is as follows:

Gates-Chili-Ogden Sewer District:

\$300.00 per connection - residential

\$400.00 per connection - non-residential

Northwest Quadrant and Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters Districts:

\$250.00 per connection - residential

\$350.00 per connection - non-residential

Rochester Pure Waters District:

\$300.00 per connection – residential \*

\$400.00 per connection – non-residential \*

\* For the RPWD a storm and sanitary sewer connection will be considered one connection when made at the same time.

**SEWER SURCHARGE - APPLICABLE TO ALL DISTRICTS**

The owner or lessee of any parcel of real property connected with the District's Sewerage System and discharging any sewage, industrial wastes or other wastes containing acceptable pollutants imparting characteristics that exceed the maximum values established for normal sewage shall be surcharged. The surcharge reimburses the District for increased cost of treating said effluent. The charge shall be arrived at by multiplying the charge for normal sanitary sewage by the surcharge factor. The formula for finding the surcharge factor is as follows:

$$\text{S.F.} = \frac{a(\text{BOD}-300)}{300} + \frac{b(\text{SS}-300)}{300} + \frac{d(\text{P}-10)}{10}$$

***Definitions:***

S.F. = Surcharge Factor.

BOD = Milligrams per liter of Biochemical Oxygen Demand, as defined in the Monroe County Sewer Use Law.

SS = Milligrams per liter of Suspended Solids, as defined in the Monroe County Sewer Use Law.

P = Milligrams per liter of Phosphorus, as defined in the Monroe County Sewer Use Law.

a = Proportionate cost to treat a lb. of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and is established at 0.470.

b = Proportionate cost to treat a lb. of Suspended Solids (SS) and is established at 0.505.

d = Proportionate cost to treat a lb. of Phosphorus (P) and is established at 0.025.

## **OTHER CHARGES - WHERE APPLICABLE**

### **A. Application Fees for Licenses or Permits under the Sewer Use Law**

- (1) Initial Application for License or Permit (3 Year) \$125.00
- (2) Renewal License or Permit Applications (3 Year) \$75.00
- (3) Initial or Renewal Application for Scavenger Waste Permit where application is licensed under Environmental Conservation Law Section 27-0301 of New York State \$30.00
- (4) Specialty Short Term Discharge Permit \$125.00  
(Note – permit issued with no fee for wastewater transported to treatment plants. Permit fees already recovered in disposal fee)

### **B. Septic Tank Hauling Rates**

Charge for Scavenger Waste \$44.00/1,000 gallons  
(Based on Truck Capacity)

### **C. Disposal of Vector Spoils**

- (1) Charge for disposal of Vector Spoils (Cu Yds.) \$92.00/Cubic Yard  
Based on half of vehicle capacity.
- (2) Charge for disposal of Vector Spoils (Tons) \$60.00/Ton  
Based on certified scale house receipt.

### **D. Collection System Charges**

- (1) Review of Plans and construction monitoring (Due prior to plan approval) \$300.00/lot - minimum of 1 lot
- (2) Inspection of privately constructed sewers (Due prior to plan approval. No charge for existing sewers inside subdivision boundaries.) \$0.50/foot of sewer & laterals - \$50.00 minimum, as applicable

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| (3) | Pumping Station Maintenance Fee<br>(Due prior to final acceptance of<br>sanitary sewer. To be included in letter<br>of credit for construction of sewers.) | \$10,000/pump station                                   |
| (4) | Cleanout Inspection Fee                                                                                                                                    | \$50.00/cleanout -<br>\$25.00 for repeat<br>Inspections |
| (5) | Interceptor Review and Construction<br>Monitoring Fee                                                                                                      | \$350.00/project                                        |

**E. Charges for Private Sewer Maintenance**

The following rates shall be charged for tape snaking  
of private sewer laterals:

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Single and Double Dwelling         | \$25.00 |
| Four or More Family Dwelling       | \$50.00 |
| Commercial Laterals and Conductors | \$50.00 |

**F. Treatment Plant Disposal Fee**

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Biosolids/Sludge Disposal Fee | \$443.00/dry ton |
| Residuals Disposal Fee        | \$443.00/dry ton |

(Based on Minimum of 3% Solids. Solids  
Content Below 3% will be charged at Minimum.)

**G. Restaurant / Food Processing Grease Disposal Fee      \$258.00/1,000 gallons**

**H. Non-Hazardous Industrial/Commercial Wastewater Disposal Fee**

|                         |                                                         |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Laboratory and Sampling | \$36.00/1,000 gallons<br>(Minimum)<br>\$77.00/Truckload |
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**PROCEDURES FOR INITIATING LOCAL SEWER CONSTRUCTION  
AND CONNECTIONS in the Rochester Pure Waters District**

1. A petition requesting the Rochester Pure Waters District to install sewers in a particular area will be submitted to the Administrator of Pure Waters.
2. The Administrator of Pure Waters will have an engineering feasibility report prepare for the project, including a preliminary cost estimate and recommendation.
3. The report and the petition will be presented to the Administrative Board for approval.
4. If the project is approved by the Board, it will then be considered as a Capital improvement project, or as a capital budget item.
5. Whenever a new connection is made to an existing sewer, a connection fee of \$300.00 will be charged by the District. All work and cost for installing a lateral or laterals shall be the property owner's responsibility.

At said public hearings the respective Administrative Boards will hear all persons interested in the subject matter thereof.

An appeal to the County Legislature from any scale of charges established by any of the Administrative Boards and confirmed by the County Legislature may be taken by any person aggrieved. Such appeal may be taken by filing with such Administrative Board and with the Clerk of the Legislature a written notice of appeal specifying the ground thereof, within 15 days of the confirmation of such scale of charges by the Legislature pursuant to Section 266 of the County Law.

Dated: Rochester New York  
November \_\_\_\_, 2023

By: \_\_\_\_\_

David Grant  
Clerk of the Monroe County Legislature