

RESOLUTION NO. 1748

A RESOLUTION ADJUSTING CITY OF TILLAMOOK SEWER RATES FOR EXTRA STRENGTH SEWER CHARGES, AND AMENDING RESOLUTIONS NO. 1684 AND 1722

WHEREAS, the Tillamook City Council adopted Resolution 1684 on June 1, 2015, establishing a modified rate schedule and raising the sewer rates for the citizens of Tillamook for the first time since 2011; and

WHEREAS, rates were modified two years into the adopted rate schedule due to budget forecasting and financial review having indicated that the sewer rates were not covering the cost of wastewater treatment plant operation or any needed capital improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue to provide the level of service that complies with the standards set forth by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the City consulted with an engineer to determine what a reasonable and effective rate for extra-strength sewer charges (ESC) would be; and

WHEREAS, the ESC rates in Resolution 1722 were noted to be too high, and the consulting engineer has recommended a lower rate for both the biological oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids (TSS) concentrations greater than 280 mg/L, as detailed in the attached Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the rate recommendation; and

WHEREAS, upon determination of the need for a reasonable and effective ESC rate, would immediately lower the rate to the recommended level, and implement the associated increases on April 1, 2018, and then annually on July 1st of 2019, 2020, and 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Tillamook City Council resolves as follows:

Section 1. Resolution No. 1684 and 1722 is amended to reflect the lowered ESC rates as detailed in Exhibit A.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect on April 1, 2018.

APPROVED by the Tillamook City Council this 5th day of March, 2018.

Suzanne R. Weber, Mayor

ATTEST:

Abigail Donowho, City Recorder