

**RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_**

**A resolution of the Missoula City Council creating the County Wastewater Meter Fee and Refundable Deposit**

**WHEREAS**, Article 1, Section 6 of the Missoula City Charter requires that the City Council conduct a public hearing prior to adopting any resolutions amending fees;

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works & Mobility Department (PWM) provides wastewater service to some properties outside the City limits (i.e. in the county) but inside the Utility Service Area boundary that are not also municipal water customers;

**WHEREAS**, PWM's wastewater rate structure is based on metered water consumption;

**WHEREAS**, PWM currently requires developers of multifamily and commercial properties that desire wastewater service but are not served by the municipal water system to purchase a Missoula Water-compatible water meter and radio transmitter from a third party and install it properly;

**WHEREAS**, PWM personnel believe it would be easier for the developer to purchase the water meter and radio transmitter directly from PWM, which would also simplify the process of configuring the meter and billing account in PWM's billing system;

**WHEREAS**, PWM does not currently have any mechanism to insure that the developer properly installs the water meter and radio transmitter properly;

**WHEREAS**, PWM seeks to charge developers of multifamily and commercial customers for a meter and radio transmitter based on the following chart;

<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Fee</b>
3/4"	\$450
1"	\$500
1.5"	\$1,000
2"	\$1,200
3"	\$3,400
4"	\$4,000

**WHEREAS**, PWM also seeks to collect a refundable deposit of \$500 from developers of multifamily and commercial customers to insure that they properly install the meter and radio transmitter. The deposit would be refunded to the developer upon PWM personnel inspecting and approving that the meter and radio transmitter installation was completed in accordance with PWM requirements;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council conducted a public hearing on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2023 concerning the adoption of the County Wastewater Meter Fee and Refundable deposit; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Clerk published notice of the public hearing in the Missoulian in accordance with state law.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Missoula City Council hereby approves and adopts the proposed County Wastewater Meter Fee and Refundable deposit and directs the Public Works & Mobility Department to add the fee and refundable deposit amount to the Public Works Fee Schedule when it is created.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the revenue generated by the County Wastewater

Meter Fee will be placed in the Wastewater Enterprise Fund and used to offset the cost of purchasing the water meter and radio transmitter; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the County Water Meter Fee and Refundable Deposit are to be paid in addition to any other applicable development fee, special utility development fee, connection fee, impact fee, or other fee or charge associated with new development adopted by the City Council; and

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Martha L. Rehbein,  
CMC City Clerk

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Jordan Hess  
Mayor

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