

146-O-16

AN ORDINANCE

Amending City Code Section 7-13-3 to Decrease Sewer User Rates

**NOW BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:**

SECTION 1: Section 7-13-3 of the City Code of 2012 is hereby amended to read as follows, to include a three percent (3%) rate decrease in the Sewer User Rate effective January 1, 2017.

7-13-3. - SEWER USER RATES.

(A) There is hereby established a sewer user charge for the use of, and service supplied by, the public sewer of the City. The sewer user charges shall be assessed for all users each bimonthly billing period commencing on or after January 1, 2017.

(B) The sewer user charge for users of the system within the City that are not exempt from the payment of property taxes shall be three dollars eighty-two cents (\$3.82) per billing unit of water consumed.

(C) The sewer user charge for users of the system within the City that are exempt from the payment of property taxes shall be three dollars eighty-two cents (\$3.82) per billing unit for the first one hundred (100) billing units of water consumed. Thereafter, the sewer user charge shall be four dollars fifty-three cents (\$4.53) per billing unit in excess of one hundred (100) billing units of water consumed.

(D) The adequacy of the sewer user charge shall be reviewed annually by the City Council. The sewer user charge will be revised by ordinance as needed.

(E) The users of the public sewer will be notified of any change in the total sewer user charges in conjunction with the regular sewer billing.

(F) Those furnished with sewer service only, and not connected with or supplied with water from the City water supply system, shall pay a bimonthly sewer service fee based on a calculated estimate of the volume of use at the rate established in Subsection (A) of this Section.

(G) Those furnished with water service only and not connected with or supplied with sewer service shall pay only the water rates and charges established by Section 7-12-17 of this Title.

(H) Those furnished with water and sewer service but not consuming any water shall pay a bimonthly minimum sewer service charge of nineteen dollars ten cents (\$19.10).

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: If any provision of this Ordinance 146-O-16 or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

SECTION 4: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance 146-O-16 shall be in full force and effect on January 1, 2017, after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: November 28, 2016

Approved:

Adopted: December 12, 2016

December 12, 2016

Elizabeth B. Tisdahl
Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Rodney Greene
Rodney Greene, City Clerk

W. Grant Farrar
W. Grant Farrar, Corporation Counsel