

**RESOLUTION NO. 1775**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA ADOPTING RATE INCREASES FOR CUSTOMERS SERVED BY THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Columbia Falls, Montana has determined that increases in the City's sewer rates are necessary in order to construct improvements to the treatment plant and sewer system, operate and maintain the system, and to provide funding for depreciation and replacement and maintain adequate debt coverage;

WHEREAS, the City Council published and mailed notice of the public hearing to be held for consideration of the recommended rates, fees and charges as required in Section 69-7-111, M.C.A.;

WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed increases in rates was held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council on July 2, 2018, at which hearing the Council further deliberated the proposed rate increases and considered the statements and arguments of all interested persons who either appeared at the hearing or submitted written statements;

WHEREAS, following said public hearing, the City Council determined that the proposed rates are in the best interest of the City and its sewer customers and, therefore, adopted said rates; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is adopted to effect said rate increases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section One: That the rates for customers served by the City's sewer system shall be revised, effective as of the August 2018 meter readings in accordance with the revised Schedule, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section Two: Any and all ordinances, resolutions, rules or regulations, or parts thereof, of the City of Columbia Falls which conflict with this Resolution are hereby rendered of no further effect or validity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA THIS 16th DAY OF July, 2018, THE COUNCIL VOTING AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Piper, Robinson, Shepard, Fisher, Karper, Lovering and Barnhart

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

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City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA THIS 16<sup>th</sup> DAY  
OF July, 2018.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

#### SEWER RATE SCHEDULE

The Sewer base rate is hereby increased by \$1.50/month for a residential equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) from \$7.35 to \$8.85. Residential single family customers are billed at the rate of 1 EDU. All other customers, commercial, industrial, government, multi-family, are billed 1 EDU for every 50,000 gallons of metered water usage calculated annually.