## **TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON**

## ORDINANCE NO. 866

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 250 SECTION 1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF HAMPTON TOWNSHIP TO ESTABLISH A SEWER CONNECTION CHARGE PURUSANT TO THE MUNICIPALITY AUTHORITIES ACT, 53 PA.C.S § 5607, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the Township of Hampton, hereinafter "Township", provides sanitary sewer connection, conveyance, and treatment facilities, and provides staffing and financing to operate said facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, 53 Pa.C.S. § 5607, as amended, grants the authority and establishes the methodology to be used to determine the maximum tapping and connection fee that can be charged; and

WHEREAS, the *Code of Ordinances of the Township of Hampton*, Chapter 250 Section 1, "Schedule of connection charges.", establishes the tapping and connection fee to the Township's sanitary sewer facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Township has deemed it necessary and proper to engage KLH Engineers, Inc. to compile the information required to calculate and recommend the maximum tapping and connection fee; and

WHEREAS, KLH Engineers, Inc., on behalf of the Township, has prepared a Tapping Fee Calculation Report which summarizes the tapping and connection fee calculations and describes the methodology used in the calculation of the fee in compliance with the Municipality Authorities Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained and enacted by the Township of Hampton that the *Township of Hampton Tapping Fee Calculations Report*, including its appendices, used to establish the basis for the Tapping and Sewer Connection Fee is hereby approved, as well as attached and made part of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ordained and enacted that Chapter 250, Section 1 "Schedule of connection charges" is hereby repealed and replaced with "Schedule of tapping and connection fees", which shall read as follows:

A. All dwelling units, buildings, or other facilities to be connected to the Township's sanitary sewerage system shall pay a Tapping and Connection Fee in the amount of \$5,400 per Equivalent Dwelling Unit. The calculation of Equivalent Dwelling Units shall be in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Pennsylvania

Department of Environmental Protection, as amended from time to time. Payment of the Tapping and Connection Fee is to be made at the time of issuance of a Building Permit.

- B. Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) Determination
  - 1. All residential uses, including single family residences, detached houses, row houses, duplexes, condominiums, townhouses, cooperatives, and residential trailers shall be considered one EDU for the purposes described herein. For apartment uses, all apartment units shall be considered one EDU. All common areas in apartment uses such as entranceways, hallways, mechanical rooms, etc. shall be considered as office use.
  - 2. In calculating tapping fees, connection fees and sewer rentals for nonresidential customers, Equivalent Dwelling Unit ("EDU") shall mean 239 gallons per day.
  - 3. Equivalent Dwelling Units calculated to exceed 0.1 EDUs shall be computed to the next higher whole number. Fractions or decimal parts of EDUs shall not be used.
  - 4. Where available, metered water consumption records for the subject nonresidential connection (or similar facility) will be used to calculate the number of EDUs for a non-residential property. A minimum of 12 months of data shall be considered with the highest quarterly (three consecutive month) value used to calculate the number of EDUs. It is within the Township's sole discretion to utilize more than twelve (12) months of records.
  - 5. In the event that water meter records are not available, the Township shall have sole discretion to establish Equivalent Dwelling Units for any Building used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part for non-residential purposes.
  - 6. Whenever any building connected to the Sewer System is converted, enlarged or remodeled or additional buildings are constructed on a property so as to create or establish additional uses or an intensification of existing uses which result in a corresponding increase in the EDUs, additional tapping fees shall be payable to the Township in accordance with the provisions of this Section.
- C. The total Tapping and Connection Fee breaks down as follows:
  - (1) Connection component \$1,400
  - (2) Capacity component \$800

- (3) Collection component \$3,200
- D. A copy of the Tapping Fee Calculation Report which determined the Tapping and Connection Fee is available for review at the Municipal Building.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law this 28th day of February 2024.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON** 

**Municipal Manager** 

By:

President of Council