

BOROUGH OF PALMYRA
ORDINANCE 2024-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PALMYRA, BURLINGTON COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AMENDING THE SEWER CONNECTION FEES

WHEREAS, Chapter 215 of the Code of the Borough of Palmyra (“Code”) sets forth, inter alia., the usage rates and connections fees applicable to buildings or facilities to be connected to the Borough’s sewerage system; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Auditor, Robert R. Nehila, Jr. CPA, RMA, PSA, of the firm Bowman and Company, LLP has recommended that the Borough increase the rates it charges for connection or tapping fees for residential users within the Borough, for connections to the Borough’s sewerage system; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:26A-11 states that, “the connection fee shall be recomputed at the end of each budget year, after a public hearing is held. The revised connection fee may be imposed upon those who subsequently connect to the system in that budget year”; and

WHEREAS, based on Robert R. Nehila, Jr. CPA, RMA, PSA, the Borough’s Registered Municipal Accountant/Auditor, by email dated March 14, 2024, reported to the governing body that based upon its calculations, the residential sewer connection fee is \$5,353.06 for any new “residential user” connecting to the Palmyra sewer system; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been conducted regarding the proposed new residential user sewer connection fee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Palmyra in the County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. For a residential user §215-2A (1) shall be amended and the sewer connection fee for all new residential connections to the Borough of Palmyra’s sewer system is \$5,353.06.
2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication according to law.
3. Any other Ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.
4. Non-residential (commercial and industrial) sewer connection fees shall continue to be determined using the formula specified in §215-2A (2) albeit utilizing the amended residential user sewer connection fee of \$5,353.06 in the calculations.

Approved for introduction at the regular meeting of the Borough of Palmyra Mayor and Council on **March 18, 2024**. Public Notice of the second reading and public hearing was published in the Burlington County Times on March 22, 2024. Public Notice and second reading will be held **April 15th, 2024**.

RECORDED VOTE	MOTION	SECOND	INEAVOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
DR. CLOUD						X
MS. LATIMORE			X			
MR. LIEBE						X
MRS. MCCANN		X	X			
MS. OCONNOR			X			
PRESIDENT HOWARD	X		X			
MAYOR GINA RAGOMO TAIT						

Approved for final adoption at the regular meeting of the Borough of Palmyra Mayor and Council on **April 15th, 2024** after a public hearing was held. Public Notice was given for the public hearing by being published in the Burlington County Times on March 22, 2024.

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PRESIDENT HOWARD	X		X			
MAYOR GINA RAGOMO TAIT						

DATE OF FINAL PUBLICATION: April 19, 2024

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Doretha R Jackson
Municipal Clerk

Gina Ragomo Tait
Mayor