

AN ORDINANCE amending Section 118-235, Permit fee; connection fee, of Article II, Sewers and Sewage Disposal, of Division 7, Building Sewers, of Chapter 118, Utilities, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin to implement certain fee changes; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the City reviewed user fees to ensure recovery of the cost of providing certain services, and,

WHEREAS, the City determined that the cost of this service exceeds revenues, and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Joplin desires to establish a new fee to meet the reasonable expenditures of this function.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 118-235, Permit fee; connection fee, of Article II, Sewers and Sewage Disposal, of Division 7, Building Sewers, of Chapter 118, Utilities, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 118-235. Permit fee, connection fee, and other sewer fees.

(1) Fees.

- (a) A sewer permit and inspection fee of \$25.00 shall be charged for an in-town permit under this division or \$50.00 shall be charged for an out-of-town permit under this division, which shall be due and payable at the time the application is made.
- (b) An additional connection fee of \$1,000.00 shall be charged for each in-town connection to public sewers or \$2,000.00 shall be charged for each out-of-town connection to public sewers, which fee shall be in consideration of the perpetual right to the use of the public sewer system by the applicant and his successors in interest, however, subject to the conditions, restrictions and limitations contained in the permit issued therefore. Whenever any person connects with a sanitary sewer and pays a fee, a sanitary sewer tax or special tax bill for constructing a sanitary sewer that is legally levied, and in case his property that is so connected with a sanitary sewer is placed in another sewer district or joint sewer district, he shall be required to pay his proportionate part for constructing the sewer. The previously paid fee shall then be refunded.

- (c) There shall be an additional fee of \$150.00 as determined by the director of public works when sewer connection work as described in this section is performed on concrete and/or clay pipes.
- (d) There shall be an additional sewer riser locate permit fee of \$30.00 for city personnel to inspect or locate a sewer connection point to the city sewer main.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2010.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this
2nd day of November, 2009.

Gary L. Shaw, Mayor

ATTEST: Barbara L Hogelin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Brian W Head, City Attorney