



Huntsville, Alabama

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Huntsville, AL 35801

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Meeting Type: City Council Regular Meeting **Meeting Date:** 5/22/2025

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Department: Urban Development

Subject:

Type of Action: Introduction

Introduction of an Ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 21, Article II, Division 9 (Rates) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

Ordinance No.

Finance Information:

Account Number: N/A

City Cost Amount: N/A

Total Cost: N/A

Special Circumstances:

Grant Funded: N/A

Grant Title - CFDA or granting Agency: N/A

Resolution #: N/A

Location: (list below)

Address:

District: District 1 ☐ District 2 ☐ District 3 ☐ District 4 ☐ District 5 ☐

Additional Comments:

ORDINANCE NO. 25 - _____

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, (hereinafter referred to as “City Code”) is amended as follows:

Section 1. City Code Chapter 21, Article II, Division 9, Section 21-271 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-271. Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this division, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Bill means water and sewer charges.

Billing period means the period intervening between monthly readings of meters forming a part of the water system or installed pursuant to the provisions of this article.

Establishment means any premises used for residential, commercial, or industrial, religious, charitable or any other purposes of whatsoever kind or character.

Major industrial means users discharging 100,000,000 gallons or more of effluent per year.

Other means hotels, motels, multifamily, general commercial, retail, some industrial users, and, for the purpose of establishing sewer service charges under section 21-275, any single-family residence served by more than a single water meter.

Sanitary sewer system means the sanitary sewer system of the city.

Single-family residence means the space provided for the occupancy of a single-family, i.e., including separate living quarters and kitchen, and which is served by a single water meter. For purposes of establishing sewer service charges under section 21-278, this definition shall not include a premise served by more than a single water meter.

Section 2. City Code Chapter 21, Article II, Division 9, Section 21-273 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-273. Sewer Service Charges.

There are hereby established monthly charges for sanitary sewer service to each establishment which is served by a water meter which discharges into the sanitary sewer system of the city, said charges being based upon the monthly consumption of water by each establishment, or where discharge is made into said system from a source other than

the city water system, then the combination of the two, subject to the charges hereinafter established, as follows:

Effective Date	Usage Per Gallons	Single Family	Other	Major Industrial
9-1-2025	1,000	\$5.83	\$6.86	\$5.69
9-1-2026	1,000	\$6.08	\$7.15	\$5.93
9-1-2027	1,000	\$6.33	\$7.45	\$6.18
9-1-2028	1,000	\$6.58	\$7.74	\$6.42
9-1-2029	1,000	\$6.83	\$8.04	\$6.67
9-1-2030	1,000	\$7.03	\$8.27	\$6.86
9-1-2031	1,000	\$7.23	\$8.51	\$7.06
9-1-2032	1,000	\$7.43	\$8.74	\$7.25
9-1-2033	1,000	\$7.63	\$8.98	\$7.45
9-1-2034	1,000	\$7.83	\$9.21	\$7.64

Section 3. City Code Chapter 21, Article II, Division 9, Section 21-274 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 21-274. Grease and septic tank charges.

There are hereby established the following charges for the treatment of grease or septage delivered or deposited by grease or septic haulers at the appropriate designated wastewater treatment facility, as designated by the director of the water pollution control department of the city:

For grease or septage delivered or deposited from locations within the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville: \$250.00 per 1,000 gallons.

For grease or septage delivered or deposited from locations within the unincorporated areas of Madison County: \$350.00 per 1,000 gallons.

No grease or septage will be accepted from locations outside of the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville or the unincorporated areas of Madison County. No leachate or other landfill discharge waste shall be accepted.

Section 4. Severability. The severability provisions of section 1-8 of the City Code shall apply to this ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption and publication.

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2025.

President of the City Council
of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2025.

Mayor of the City of
Huntsville, Alabama