RESOLUTION NO. 5261

A RESOLUTION REVISING CONNECTION CHARGES FOR SEWER CONNECTIONS OF UNASSESSED PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF ALBANY AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 5144 (A RESOLUTION REVISING CONNECTION CHARGES FOR SEWER CONNECTIONS OF UNASSESSED PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF ALBANY AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 5033).

WHEREAS, Chapter 15.30 of the Albany Municipal Code sets forth requirements for connection charges for sewer connections of unassessed properties within the City of Albany, excluding the North Albany Sanitary Sewer Basin; and

WHEREAS, connection charges are designed to recover the equivalent cost of constructing that portion of the sewer system that benefits the connecting property; and

WHEREAS, the minimum size sanitary sewer (8-inch pipe) shall be the basis for calculating the per front foot cost for all properties; and

WHEREAS, the per front foot dimension shall be calculated by measuring entire length of the property frontage that is adjacent to the sanitary sewer regardless of the length of the sewer on that frontage; and

WHEREAS, it is important to annually adjust connection charges in order to keep pace with the changing cost of public improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle *Engineering News-Record* (ENR) Index used in Resolution 5144 was 8194, and the April 2006 Seattle ENR Index to be applied for purposes of this Resolution is 8449 (Index Ratio = 8449/8194 = 1.0311).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council that Resolution 5144 is hereby repealed as of the effective date of the revised charges; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following sanitary sewer connection charge rate is hereby established:

Sanitary Sewer Connection Charge Rate: \$44 (calculated fee \$45.34) \$45 per front foot

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if a sanitary sewer service lateral is not serving the property in question, the City will install the first 4-inch diameter service to the property. Additional services and any service greater than 4 inches in diameter shall be installed at the cost of the property owner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in no case shall the total connection charge be for less than an equivalent of fifty (50) feet of frontage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the connection charge outlined in this Resolution shall not apply to the properties specified in Resolution Number 3788, Resolution Number 3921, and subsequent resolutions specifically referencing the sewer lines constructed for the Lochner Road utilities, City project number WL-96-5; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the connection charge outlined in this Resolution shall not apply to the properties specified in Resolution Number 3252 and subsequent resolutions specifically referencing the sewer lines constructed for the North Albany Sanitary Sewer Local Improvement District (LID), City project numbers SS-90-7 and SS-92-1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intent of the Albany City Council to annually adjust the connection charges outlined in this Resolution on the first day of July each calendar year in proportion to the change in the Seattle Construction Cost Index as published in the *Engineering New-Record* (ENR). The adjustment shall be made by calculating the percentage increase/decrease in the index from the last adjustment, and then applying that percentage to the previous year's connection charge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the effective date of these charges shall be July 1, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

Charles Mayor Jar.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 24TH DAY OF MAY 2006.

ATTEST: