

RESOLUTION NO. 6909

A RESOLUTION REVISING CONNECTION CHARGES FOR WATER CONNECTIONS OF UNASSESSED PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF ALBANY AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 6810 (A RESOLUTION REVISING CONNECTION CHARGES FOR WATER CONNECTIONS OF UNASSESSED PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF ALBANY AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 6750).

WHEREAS, Chapter 15.30 of the Albany Municipal Code sets forth requirements for connection charges for water connections of unassessed properties within the City of Albany; and

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

WHEREAS, the connection charge for water is generally dependent on the minimum size water line to serve the property according to land use zone; and

WHEREAS, the minimum size water line for single-family residential land use zones (8-inch pipe) and for multi-family, commercial, and industrial land use zones (12-inch pipe) shall be the basis for calculating the per foot of frontage cost for all properties; and

WHEREAS, water lines constructed by the North Albany County Service District were financed by property taxes levied by the District; and

WHEREAS, the per foot of frontage dimension shall be calculated by measuring entire length of the property frontage that is adjacent to the water line regardless of the length of the water line along 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 Engineering News Record (ENR) Seattle Construction Cost Index (CCI) used in Resolution 6810 was 12,015.45, and the April 2020 ENR Seattle CCI to be applied for purposes of this resolution is 12,141.53 (index ratio = 12,141.53 /12,015.45= 1.0105).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council that Resolution 6810 is hereby repealed as of the effective date of the revised charges; and

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

Water Connection Charge Rate:

Single-family Residential:

Without water service - \$46 per front foot (calculated fee \$46.35) **\$46** per front foot With water service - \$60 per front foot (calculated fee \$61.10) **\$61** per front foot

Multi -family, Commercial, or Industrial:

Without water service - \$69 per front foot (calculated fee \$69.53) **\$70** per front foot With water service - \$77 per front foot (calculated fee \$77.96) **\$78** per front foot; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that properties within the City of Albany connecting to water lines constructed by the North Albany County Service District shall be exempt from the water connection charge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in no case shall the total connection charge be for less than an equivalent of 50 feet of frontage; 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 News Record. 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 August 1, 2020.

DATED THIS 22ND DAY OF JULY 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk