

SUMMARY: Adopts a schedule of rates and charges for provision of sanitary sewer service within the unincorporated area of Washoe County and providing procedures for its enforcement. Abolishes seven individual sewer rate ordinances.

BILL NO. 898

ORDINANCE NO. 723

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR PROVISION OF SANITARY SEWER SERVICE BY WASHOE COUNTY WITHIN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WASHOE COUNTY; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, UTILITY DIVISION, TO SUBMIT BILLINGS TO ALL SANITARY SEWER USERS WITHIN THE CERTAIN AREAS, REQUIRING PAYMENT THEREOF: AND PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT. THIS ORDINANCE ABOLISHES ORDINANCES NOS. 624, 638, 663, 680, 577, 677, AND 635.

Adopted _____

**WASHOE COUNTY SEWER SERVICE ORDINANCE
SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES**

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THE BOARD OF WASHOE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE DO ORDAIN:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1 Short Title. This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Washoe County schedule of rates and charges for sanitary sewer service.

1.2 Enabling Statutes. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to NRS 244.157.

1.3 Enterprise. The County will furnish systems used for the collection of domestic and industrial wastewater and septic tank effluent, including all parts of the enterprise, all appurtenances thereto, and land, easements, rights in land, contract rights and franchises.

1.4 Separability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance or any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase hereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared to be unconstitutional.

1.5 Relief on Application. When any person by reason of special circumstances, is of the opinion that any provision of this ordinance is unjust or inequitable as applied to his premises, he may make written application to the Board stating the special circumstances, citing the provision complained of, and requesting suspension or modification of that provision as applied to his premises.

If such application be approved, the Board may, by resolution, suspend or modify the provision complained of, as applied to such premises, to be effective as of the date of the application and continuing during the period of the special circumstances.

1.6 Relief on Own Motion. The Board may, on its own motion, find that by reason of special circumstances any special provision of this regulation and ordinance should be suspended or modified as applied to a particular premise and may, by resolution, order such suspension or modification for

any such premises during the period of such special circumstances, or any part thereof.

1.7 Review by the Board. This ordinance shall be reviewed by the Board on an annual basis to insure that the provisions of this ordinance are kept up to date, and that the charges and fees set out in Articles 4 and 5 are adequate to meet the costs of operating the sanitary sewer facilities.

1.8 Words and Phrases. For the purposes of this ordinance, all words used herein in the present tense shall include the future; all words in the plural number shall include the singular number; and all words in the singular number shall include the plural number.

1.9 Billing Authority. The County shall send out bills for sewer service used for which no payment has been received. The County shall use these current rates for determining the payments used.

1.10 Annual Notification. The County shall notify each user, at least annually, the rate and the portion of the user charges which are attributable to wastewater treatment services. Notification shall be in conjunction with a regular bill or other means acceptable to the regional administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

1.11 Clean Water Act. This ordinance shall take precedence over any items or conditions of agreements or contracts which are inconsistent with the requirements of Section 204 (b) (1) of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR 35.2140.

ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 Account Transfer shall mean any change made to a billing account, including but not limited to new ownership or new tenancy.

2.2 Additional Definitions. For the purpose of this ordinance, additional terms shall have the meanings indicated in Chapter 1 of the latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code as prepared by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials.

2.3 Applicant shall mean the person, business or governmental agency making application for a permit for sewer or plumbing installation or to discharge wastewater into any sewer.

2.4 Application shall be a written request for sewer service as distinguished from an inquiry as to the availability of, or charges for, such service.

2.5 Billing Period shall be the period for which a billing is made. It may be for an average month and need not coincide with the calendar month (i.e. may be billed on a cycle of 29 to 31 days).

2.6 Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) shall mean the quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five (5) days at 20 degrees C.

2.7 Board shall mean the Board of County Commissioners.

2.8 Building shall mean any structure used for human habitation or a place of business, recreation or other purpose requiring wastewater disposal services.

2.9 Building Drain shall mean that part of the lowest horizontal piping of a drainage system which receives the discharge from soil, waste and other drainage pipes inside the walls of the building and conveys it to the building sewer. The building drain extends three (3) feet outside the inner face of the building wall.

2.10 Building Sewer shall mean that portion of any sewer beginning at the building drain and extending to the property line or to a private sewage disposal system.

2.11 Collection System shall mean the system of sewers, manholes, pump stations and appurtenances receiving liquid wastes from buildings and premises for transmission to the treatment facility.

2.12 Combined Sewer shall mean a sewer intended to receive both surface runoff and sewage.

2.13 Commercial Building shall mean any building, structure or facility or a portion thereof, devoted to the purposes of trade or commerce, such as a store or office building.

2.14 Contractor shall mean an individual, firm, corporation, partnership or association duly licensed by the State of Nevada to perform the type of work to be done under the Permit.

2.15 County shall mean the County of Washoe, Nevada.

2.16 County Sanitary Engineer shall mean the Engineer appointed and acting for the County and shall be a Registered Civil Engineer in the State of Nevada.

2.17 Cubic Foot is the volume of water which occupies one cubic foot. The cubic foot is equal to 7.481 gallons.

2.18 Customer shall mean the person in whose name service is rendered as evidenced by his signature on the application or contract for that service, or, in the absence of a signed instrument, by the receipt and payment of bills regularly issued in his name regardless of the identity of the actual user of the service.

2.19 Date of Presentation shall be the date upon which a bill or notice is either postmarked or hand delivered to the Customer.

2.20 Delinquent shall mean an account that has not been paid by the 1st day of the calendar month following the due date of payment specified on the bill.

2.21 Developer shall mean any person engaged in or proposing development of property.

2.22 Development shall mean a parcel of property being improved and requiring installation of sewer collection lines to and possibly on the property being improved.

2.23 Domestic Wastewater shall mean the spent water from building water supply to which has been added the waste materials of bathroom, kitchen and laundry.

2.24 Easement shall mean an acquired legal right for the specific use of land owned by others.

2.25 Employee shall mean any individual employed by the County excluding independent contractors, consultants, and their employees.

2.26 Fixture shall mean any sink, tub, shower, water closet or other facility connected by drain to the sewer.

2.27 Fixture Unit is defined and has that weighted value assigned in the latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code.

2.28 Floatable Oil is oil, fat or grease in a physical state such that it will separate by gravity from wastewater by pretreatment in an approved pretreatment facility. Wastewater shall be considered free of floatable fat if it is properly pretreated and does not interfere with the collection system.

2.29 Gallon is the volume of water which occupies 231 cubic inches.

2.30 Garbage shall mean the animal and vegetable waste resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking and serving of foods.

2.31 Industrial Wastewater shall mean the wastewater from industrial processes, trade or business as distinct from domestic wastewater.

2.32 Inspector shall mean an individual designated to inspect facilities which are the subject of this ordinance.

2.33 Lateral Sewer shall mean the portion of a public sewer lying within a public street connecting a building sewer to the main sewer.

2.34 Law is any statute, rule or regulation established by Federal, State, County or Municipal authorities.

2.35 Living Unit shall mean any residence, apartment, or other structure to be occupied for habitational purposes by a single person or family and requiring water service.

2.36 Main Sewer shall mean a public sewer designed to accommodate more than one lateral sewer.

2.37 May is permissive (see "shall", Sec. 2.62).

2.38 Metered Service is a service for which charges are computed on the basis of measured quantities of water or wastewater.

2.39 Natural Outlet shall mean any outlet, including storm sewers and combined sewer overflows, into a watercourse, pond, ditch, lake or other body of surface or groundwater.

2.40 Outside Sewer shall mean a sanitary sewer beyond the limits of the Sewer Service Area not subject to the control or jurisdiction of the County.

2.41 Owner shall mean a person who holds legal title to the property or who is under contract to purchase the property.

2.42 Permanent Service is a service which, in the opinion of the County Sanitary Engineer, is of a permanent and established character. The use of the sewer may be continuous, intermittent or seasonal in nature.

2.43 Permit shall mean any written authorization required pursuant to this or any other regulation of the service area for the installation or operation of any wastewater works.

2.44 Person shall mean any individual, firm, association, organization, partnership, trust, company, corporation or entity, and any municipal, political, or governmental corporation, district, body, or agency other than the County.

2.45 pH shall mean the logarithm of the reciprocal of the hydrogen-ion concentration. The concentration is the weight of hydrogen-ions, in grams, per liter of solution. Neutral water, for example, has a pH value of 7 and a hydrogen-ion concentration of 10^{-7} .

2.46 Plant shall mean the wastewater treatment plant.

2.47 Plumbing Outlet shall mean any part of a plumbing system to which a fixture is attached.

2.48 Plumbing System shall mean all plumbing fixtures and traps; all soil, waste, vent pipes, and all sanitary sewer pipes within a building and building drain.

2.49 Premises shall mean all of the real property and services to a single integrated activity operating under one name to one or more buildings, locations or services, provided: (a) such building, locations or services are to a single unit of property; or (b) such buildings, locations or services are on two or more units of property immediately adjoining, except for intervening public highways, streets, alleys or waterways.

2.50 Private Sewer shall mean a sewer serving an independent wastewater disposal system not connected with a public sewer and which accommodates one or more buildings or industries.

2.51 Properly Shredded Garbage shall mean garbage that has been shredded to such a degree that all particles will be carried freely under the flow conditions normally prevailing in public sewers, with no particle greater than 1/2 inch in any direction.

2.52 Public Sewer shall mean a sewer lying within a public highway, road, street, avenue, alley, way, public place, public easement or right of way and which is controlled by or under the jurisdiction of the County.

2.53 Residential Equivalent shall mean 25 weighted fixture units as defined in the latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code.

2.54 Sanitary Sewer shall mean a sewer which carries liquid and water carried wastes from residences, commercial buildings, industrial plants, and institutions together with minor quantities of ground, storm and surface waters that are not admitted intentionally.

2.55 Septic Tank Effluent shall mean the supernate liquid waste discharged by an approved septic tank, containing no solid waste material.

2.56 Service Area shall mean the Washoe County Unincorporated Sewer Service Area as designated in Article 9.

2.57 Service Classification shall mean:

- A. Commercial Unit - Group I Service: Service to office buildings, private clubs, motels or hotels, or portions thereof, without kitchen, laundry or other facilities (excepting toilet facilities) which require wastewater disposal services.
- B. Commercial Unit - Group II Service: Service to all commercial buildings not in Group I, or portions thereof, and shall include but not be limited to, department stores, restaurants, clubs and schools.
- C. Industrial Service: Service to customers engaged in a process which creates or changes raw or unfinished materials into another form or product. (Factories, mills, machine shops, mines, pumping plants, creameries, canning and packing plants, or processing activities.)
- D. Residential Service: Service to a customer in a single family dwelling, mobile home or building, or in an individual flat, condominium, or apartment in a multiple family dwelling, or building or portion thereof occupied as the home, residence or sleeping place of one or more persons.

2.58 Service Connection. The point of connection of the Customer's piping with County's facilities.

2.59 Sewage is the spent water of a community. The preferred term is "wastewater", Sec. 2.69.

2.60 Sewer shall mean a pipe or conduit that carries wastewater.

2.61 Side Sewer shall mean the sewer line beginning three (3) feet outside the foundation wall of any building and terminating at the main sewer and shall include the building sewer and lateral sewer together.

2.62 Shall is mandatory (see "May", Sec. 2.37).

2.63 Slug shall mean any discharge of water or wastewater which in concentration of any given constituent or in quantity of flow exceeds for any period of duration longer than fifteen (15) minutes more than five (5) times the average twenty-four (24) hour concentration or flows during normal operation and shall adversely affect the collection system and/or performance of the wastewater treatment works as determined by the County Sanitary Engineer.

2.64 Storm Sewer or Storm Drain shall mean a sewer which carries storm water, groundwater, subsurface water, or unpolluted water from any source.

2.65 Storm Water shall mean excess water entering sewers during rainfall, snowfall, or following and resulting therefrom.

2.66 Suspended Solids shall mean total suspended matter that either floats on the surface of, or is in suspension in, water, wastewater, or other liquids, and that is removable by laboratory filtering as prescribed in "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" and referred to as nonfilterable residue.

2.67 Tenant shall mean a person renting or leasing a premises from the owner or the owner's selected representative.

2.68 Unpolluted Water is water of quality equal to or better than the effluent criteria in effect or water that would not cause violation of receiving water quality standards and would not benefit by discharge to the sanitary sewers and wastewater treatment facilities provided.

2.69 Wastewater shall mean the spent water of a community. From the standpoint of source, it may be a combination of the liquid and water-carried wastes from residences, commercial buildings, industrial plants, and institutions, together with any groundwater, surface water, and stormwater that may be present.

2.70 Wastewater Facilities shall mean the structures, equipment, and processing required to collect, carry away, and treat domestic and industrial wastes and dispose of the effluent.

2.71 Wastewater Treatment Works shall mean an arrangement of devices and structures for treating wastewater, industrial wastes, and sludge. Sometimes used as synonymous with "waste treatment plant" or "wastewater treatment plant" or "water pollution control plant".

2.72 Watercourse shall mean a natural or artificial channel for the passage of water either continuously or intermittently.

ARTICLE 3. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

3.1 Area Served. Properties within the boundaries of the Service Area shall be eligible to receive wastewater collection service from the County in accordance with this ordinance.

3.2 Penalty for Violation. For the failure of the customer to comply with all or any part of this ordinance, the customer's service shall be discontinued until the customer is in compliance. Termination of sewer service shall be in accordance with Article 8.

3.3 Ruling Final. All rulings of the Board shall be final, unless appealed in writing to the Board within five (5) days.

3.4 Notices to Customers. Notices from the County to a Customer will normally be given in writing, and either delivered or mailed to him at his last known address. Where conditions warrant and in emergencies, the County may resort to notification either by telephone or messenger. When a Customer is refused service under the provisions of this ordinance, the County will notify the Customer promptly of the reason for the refusal to serve and of the right of the Customer to appeal the County's decision to the Board. Failure by the Customer to accept a certified letter notice will not relieve the Customer of responsibility for contents of notice.

3.5 Notices from Customers. Notice from the Customer to the County may be given by him or by his authorized representative in writing at the County's operating office. The County's operating office is:

Washoe County Department of Public Works
Utility Division
P.O. Box 11130
1195-B Corporate Boulevard
Reno, Nevada 89520
Telephone: (702) 785-4743

3.6 Adjustment of Complaints. The County shall have the power of discretion in the interpretation and application of this ordinance, including adjustment or rebate of charges, if in the County's opinion and with full documentation, the intent of the rules would not be accomplished and an injustice would result by their strict application.

3.7 Customer's Premises. County employees shall have the right of access to customer's property at all reasonable hours for any purpose related to the furnishing of service and protection of water quality and quantity. Employees are prohibited from entering upon customer's premises to engage in repair or alteration of customer piping and fixtures.

3.8 Special Conditions. In the event that conditions arise which are not specifically covered by this ordinance, the County may take whatever action, including establishing rates and charges which, in its discretion, is warranted.

3.9 Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on the date specified by the Board in its motion for adoption.

3.10 Continuity. Adoption of this Ordinance shall not be construed as a waiver of any right or obligation under any prior agreement, contract, or commitment.

ARTICLE 4. SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES

4.1 Service Charges. Any users of the Service Area's sewerage facilities shall pay to the County a sewer service charge in accordance with the following schedules:

4.2 LEMMON VALLEY/BLACK SPRINGS SERVICE AREA:

A. Residential User. For each family occupying a single family unit the following charges shall apply:

- (1) Single Family Unmetered - \$18.45 per month.
- (2) Multiple Family Units (per unit) - \$18.45 per month.
- (3) Capital Improvement Surcharge - \$2.00 per month.

B. Commercial Units - All Classes.

(1) Sewer service fees for commercial users which employ outside water uses such as irrigation or vehicle washing, which does not enter the sewer system, shall be determined by water meter records which exclude such outside uses, based on the following schedule. Where facilities for measuring outside water usage are not available the commercial user shall be billed on total water usage, based on the following schedule:

- a. Basic and Minimum Charge - \$18.45 per month, plus
- b. For each 100 gallons in excess of 3,000 gallons as measured by the water meter per quarter - \$0.10 per 100 gallons.
- c. Any applicable surcharge as determined under (D), Extra Strength Waste.

(2) In the event the commercial water use is not metered, the monthly sewer service charge for a commercial establishment shall be based upon the establishment's number of fixture units. A charge of \$18.45 per month shall be a minimum and shall be the charge for up to 25 fixture units. Each fixture unit in excess of 25 shall have a charge of \$0.75 per month associated with it.

(3) Capital Improvement Surcharge - \$2.00 per month.

C. Industrial Units. For users in this category the following schedule of charges shall apply:

Note: The Basic and Minimum Charge assessed in this category contemplates the following factors: (a) 1,000 gallons per month, or less, and (b) domestic waste discharge with a five day average BOD of 240 mg/l, or less; an average suspended solids of 170 mg/l, or less; a total phosphorus as P of 11.0 mg/l, or less; and a total Nitrogen as N of 26.0 mg/l, or less.

- (1) Sewer service fees for industrial users which employ outside water uses such as irrigation or vehicle washing which does not enter the sewer system shall be determined by water meter records which exclude such outside uses, based on the following schedule. Where facilities to measure outside water uses are not available, the industrial user shall be billed on total water usage, based on the following schedule:

- a. Basic and Minimum Charge - \$18.45 per month, plus
- b. For each 100 gallons in excess of 1,000 gallons per month - \$0.10 per month, plus
- c. A surcharge which shall be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Surcharge} = & [(BOD_I - BOD_D) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times \$0.069/\text{lb} \\ & \text{of BOD}] + \\ & [(SS_I - SS_D) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times \$0.063/\text{lb of} \\ & \text{SS}] + \\ & [(P - P) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times \$0.993/\text{lb of P}] + \\ & [(N - N) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times C] \end{aligned}$$

Where: I = Industrial/Commercial Wastewater
 D = Local Domestic Wastewater
 C = Total Cost for Specific Parameter (\$/lbs./day) as determined by the County Sanitary Engineer
 V = Wastewater Flow (MGD)
 BOD = BOD (mg/l)
 SS = Suspended Solids (mg/l)
 P = Total Phosphorus as P (mg/l)
 N = Total Nitrogen as N (mg/l)
 [] = Never less than zero

There is currently no charge for nitrogen removal because it is not a discharge requirement at the time of this writing. A surcharge will be developed for industrial/commercial nitrogen when nitrogen removal becomes a part of the treatment process.

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- d. A surcharge for any other component of the wastewater which is identified as causing an increased cost of collection, treatment, disposal and administration. The amount of the surcharge shall be determined by the County Sanitary Engineer and shall not exceed the proportional amount of increased cost of collection, treatment, disposal and administration attributable to the wastewater component.

(2) In the event the industrial water use is not metered, the monthly sewer service charge for an industrial establishment shall be based upon the establishment's number of fixture units. A charge of \$18.45 per month shall be a minimum and shall be the charge for up to 25 fixture units. Each fixture unit of excess of 25 shall have a charge of \$0.75 per month associated with it.

(3) Capital Improvement Surcharge - \$2.00 per month.

D. Extra Strength Waste. If the waste discharged by a commercial or residential user is determined by the County Sanitary Engineer to have strength or characteristics which exceed that of domestic wastewater or causes increased costs as described in (C) above, the user shall be regulated and charged as an Industrial Unit.

4.3 SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS/SOUTH SUN VALLEY/SOUTHERN COMFORT AND ALL OTHER SEWER SERVICE AREAS:

A. Residential User. For each family occupying a single family unit the following charges shall apply:

(1) Single Family Unmetered - \$16.55 per month.

(2) Multiple Family Units (per unit) - \$16.55 per month.

(3) Capital Improvement Surcharge - \$2.00 per month.

B. Commercial Units - All Classes.

(1) Sewer service fees for commercial users which employ outside water uses such as irrigation or vehicle washing, which does not enter the sewer system, shall be determined by water meter records which exclude such outside uses, based on the following schedule. Where facilities for measuring outside water usage are not available the commercial user shall be billed on total water usage, based on the following schedule:

a. Basic and Minimum Charge - \$16.55 per month, plus

b. For each 100 gallons in excess of 3,000 gallons as measured by the water meter per quarter - \$0.10 per 100 gallons.

c. Any applicable surcharge as determined under (D), Extra Strength Waste.

(2) In the event the commercial water use is not metered, the monthly sewer service charge for a commercial establishment shall be based upon the establishment's number of fixture units. A charge of \$16.55 per month shall be a minimum and shall be the charge for up to 25 fixture units. Each fixture unit in excess of 25 shall have a charge of \$0.66 per month associated with it.

(3) Capital Improvement Surcharge - \$2.00 per month.

- C. Industrial Units. For users in this category the following schedule of charges shall apply:

Note: The Basic and Minimum Charge assessed in this category contemplates the following factors: (a) 1,000 gallons per month, or less, and (b) domestic waste discharge with a five day average BOD of 240 mg/l, or less; an average suspended solids of 170 mg/l, or less; a total phosphorus as P of 11.0 mg/l, or less; and a total Nitrogen as N of 26.0 mg/l, or less.

- (1) Sewer service fees for industrial users which employ outside water uses such as irrigation or vehicle washing which does not enter the sewer system shall be determined by water meter records which exclude such outside uses. Where facilities to measure outside water uses are not available, the industrial user shall be billed on total water usage based on the following schedule:

- a. Basic and Minimum Charge - \$16.55 per month, plus
- b. For each 100 gallons in excess of 1,000 gallons per month - \$0.10 per month, plus
- c. A surcharge which shall be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Surcharge} = & [(BOD_I - BOD_D) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times \$0.069/\text{lb} \\ & \text{of BOD}] + \\ & [(SS_I - SS_D) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times \$0.063/\text{lb of} \\ & \text{SS}] + \\ & [(P - P) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times \$0.993/\text{lb of P}] + \\ & [(N - N) \times V \times 8.34 \times 30 \times C] \end{aligned}$$

- Where: I = Industrial/Commercial Wastewater
 D = Local Domestic Wastewater
 C = Total Cost for Specific Parameter (\$/lbs./day) as determined by the County Sanitary Engineer
 V = Wastewater Flow (MGD)
 BOD = BOD (mg/l)
 SS = Suspended Solids (mg/l)
 P = Total Phosphorus as P (mg/l)
 N = Total Nitrogen as N (mg/l)
 [] = Never less than zero

There is currently no charge for nitrogen removal because it is not a discharge requirement at the time of this writing. A surcharge will be developed for industrial/commercial nitrogen when nitrogen removal becomes a part of the treatment process.

Plus

d. A surcharge for any other component of the wastewater which is identified as causing an increased cost of collection, treatment, disposal and administration. The amount of the surcharge shall be determined by the County Sanitary Engineer and shall not exceed the proportional amount of increased cost of collection, treatment, disposal and administration attributable to the wastewater component.

(2) In the event the industrial water use is not metered, the monthly sewer service charge for an industrial establishment shall be based upon the establishment's number of fixture units. A charge of \$16.55 per month shall be a minimum and shall be the charge for up to 25 fixture units. Each fixture unit of excess of 25 shall have a charge of \$0.66 per month associated with it.

(3) Capital Improvement Surcharge - \$2.00 per month.

D. Extra Strength Waste. If the waste discharged by a commercial or residential user is determined by the County Sanitary Engineer to have strength or characteristics which exceed that of domestic wastewater or causes increased costs as described in (C) above, the user shall be regulated and charged as an Industrial Unit.

4.4 User Charge System Based on Actual Use. Each user or user class shall pay its proportionate share of operation and maintenance costs of treatment works within the Service Area, based on the user's proportionate contribution to the total wastewater loading from all users or user classes.

4.5 Treatment Cost Adjustment. Where treatment costs include treatment at a facility not under the jurisdiction of the County, the costs shall be adjusted in accordance with increases or decreases to these costs as approved by the operational entity of that treatment facility. An adjustment shall be made to the sewer service charges enumerated in Article 4 and 5 in the following ratio: For each 1%, or portion thereof, of rate increases or decreases, there shall be an adjustment of 1% in the sewer service charges, commencing with the next regular billing.

4.6 Standby Fee. On vacant subdivided lots where facilities have been built in anticipation of future needs, a standby fee of \$6.50 per month per lot will be charged to the owner of the lot until such time as a service is installed.

4.7 Capital Improvement Surcharge. A capital improvement surcharge of Two Dollars (\$2.00) per month per capacity unit shall be billed to each residential and commercial water and sewer service, as follows:

Capital Improvement Surcharge

	<u>Monthly Charge</u>	<u>Capacity Ratio</u>
3/4 inch	\$ 2.00	1.00
1 inch	\$ 3.30	1.65
1 1/2 inch	\$ 6.70	3.35
2 inch	\$ 10.70	5.35
3 inch	\$ 20.00	10.00
4 inch	\$ 33.30	16.65
6 inch	\$ 66.70	33.35
8 inch	\$106.70	53.35
10 inch	\$103.30	76.65
larger sizes	To be determined by County	

A capacity unit is defined as the relative flow ratio in gallons of each meter as compared to that of a 3/4 inch meter or single house sewer.

- A. The water and sewer system repair fund shall be accounted for separately: The monies collected through the Capital Improvement Surcharge shall be kept in an account in the Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund for water and sewer system capital improvements and repair.
- B. Capital Improvement Surcharge to Continue Even Though Water and Sewer Service is Disconnected: The Capital Improvement Surcharge shall continue to be billed to the customer even though service has been discontinued as provided in Article 11 (Termination of Service).
- C. Duration: The monthly Capital Improvement Surcharge is to take effect July 1, 1987 and expire at the end of five (5) years, ending June 30, 1992.
- D. Unimproved Parcels: The Capital Improvement Surcharge will also apply to undeveloped parcels, with rates as specified in Article 4 of this ordinance (Standby Fees). The charge shall apply when an application for connection to the water or sewer system of the County is made. The charges from July 1, 1987 to the date of application shall be collected with the connection fees. After the date of application, Capital Improvement Surcharges shall be billed to the customer in their normal billing cycle.

If an application for connection is cancelled, the entire amount of the Capital Improvement Surcharge shall be paid from July 1, 1987 to the date of cancellation shall be refunded, and any new application shall include the Capital Improvement Surcharge from July 1, 1987.

If application is not made prior to the termination of the Capital Improvement District Surcharge, the total five year Capital Improvement Surcharge would apply to that parcel and become a fixed amount thereafter.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE

MONTHLY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGE EQUALS \$2.00

TYPE	1 MONTH JULY	2 MONTH AUGUST	3 MONTH SEPTEMBER	4 MONTH OCTOBER	5 MONTH NOVEMBER	6 MONTH DECEMBER	7 MONTH JANUARY	8 MONTH FEBRUARY	9 MONTH MARCH	10 MONTH APRIL	11 MONTH MAY	12 MONTH JUNE
SINGLE FAMILY	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00	\$16.00	\$18.00	\$20.00	\$22.00	\$24.00
MULTI (PER UNIT)	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00	\$16.00	\$18.00	\$20.00	\$22.00	\$24.00
CONCRETE 3/4"	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00	\$16.00	\$18.00	\$20.00	\$22.00	\$24.00
OR OTHER 1"	\$3.30	\$6.60	\$9.90	\$13.20	\$16.50	\$19.80	\$23.10	\$26.40	\$29.70	\$33.00	\$36.30	\$39.60
SIZES 1 1/2"	\$6.70	\$13.40	\$20.10	\$26.80	\$33.50	\$40.20	\$46.90	\$53.60	\$60.30	\$67.00	\$73.70	\$80.40
2"	\$10.70	\$21.40	\$32.10	\$42.80	\$53.50	\$64.20	\$74.90	\$85.60	\$96.30	\$107.00	\$117.70	\$128.40
3"	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$80.00	\$100.00	\$120.00	\$140.00	\$160.00	\$180.00	\$200.00	\$220.00	\$240.00
4"	\$33.30	\$66.60	\$99.90	\$133.20	\$166.50	\$199.80	\$233.10	\$266.40	\$299.70	\$333.00	\$366.30	\$399.60
6"	\$66.70	\$133.40	\$200.10	\$266.80	\$333.50	\$400.20	\$466.90	\$533.60	\$600.30	\$667.00	\$733.70	\$800.40
8"	\$106.70	\$213.40	\$320.10	\$426.80	\$533.50	\$640.20	\$746.90	\$853.60	\$960.30	\$1,067.00	\$1,173.70	\$1,280.40
10"	\$153.30	\$306.60	\$459.90	\$613.20	\$766.50	\$919.80	\$1,073.10	\$1,226.40	\$1,379.70	\$1,533.00	\$1,686.30	\$1,839.60

1 YEAR JULY 1988 2 YEAR JULY 1989 3 YEAR JULY 1990 4 YEAR JULY 1991 5 YEAR JULY 1992

SINGLE FAMILY	\$24.00	\$48.00	\$72.00	\$96.00	\$120.00
MULTI (PER UNIT)	\$24.00	\$48.00	\$72.00	\$96.00	\$120.00
CONCRETE 3/4"	\$24.00	\$48.00	\$72.00	\$96.00	\$120.00
OR OTHER 1"	\$39.60	\$79.20	\$118.80	\$158.40	\$198.00
SIZES 1 1/2"	\$80.40	\$160.80	\$241.20	\$321.60	\$402.00
2"	\$128.40	\$256.80	\$385.20	\$513.60	\$642.00
3"	\$240.00	\$480.00	\$720.00	\$960.00	\$1,200.00
4"	\$399.60	\$799.20	\$1,198.80	\$1,598.40	\$1,998.00
6"	\$800.40	\$1,600.80	\$2,401.20	\$3,201.60	\$4,002.00
8"	\$1,280.40	\$2,560.80	\$3,841.20	\$5,121.60	\$6,402.00
10"	\$1,839.60	\$3,679.20	\$5,518.80	\$7,358.40	\$9,198.00

ARTICLE 5. OTHER CHARGES, FEES AND DEPOSITS

5.1 Connection Charges. The following connection charges are hereby established and shall be collected prior to connection to the sanitary sewer collection system, final map approval by the Board, or at the time of issuance of the permit for a sewer connection, whichever occurs first:

LEMMON VALLEY/BLACK SPRINGS, SOUTH SUN VALLEY, SOUTHERN COMFORT,
AND ALL OTHER SERVICE AREAS EXCEPT SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS:

- A. Single Family Unit: Persons desiring connection to the sanitary sewer system of the service area shall pay to the County, a connection charge of \$1,500.00. This connection fee shall entitle the customer to treatment plant capacity, a service wye, and a service lateral from the sewer main located adjacent to customer's property, to customer's property line. When a sewer collection main does not exist and adjacent to property requesting service, the customer shall be responsible for all costs related to the extension of the existing collection system to a point adjacent to property to be serviced which is at least ten (10) feet beyond an extension of the closest property line.
- B. Commercial Unit - All Classes. Persons desiring connection to the sanitary sewer system of the service area shall pay to the County a connection charge based on the weighted fixture units. A minimum connection fee shall be \$1,500.00 with an additional \$60.00 per weighted fixture unit for all units in excess of 25. Each connection fee for each separate commercial unit, as calculated above, shall entitle the customer to treatment plant capacity and one service wye and service lateral under the same conditions stated above for single family unit.

SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS SERVICE AREA:

- C. Single Family Unit. Persons desiring connection to the sanitary sewer system of the service area shall pay to the County a connection charge as follows:

<u>Identification Category</u>	<u>Hook-up Fees</u>
Single Family Dwelling Unit	\$2,750 per dwelling unit
Mobile Home	\$2,500 per dwelling unit
Condominium	\$2,300 per dwelling unit
Apartment	\$2,300 per dwelling unit

This connection fee shall entitle the customer to treatment plant capacity, a service wye, and a service lateral from the sewer main located adjacent to customer's property, to customer's property line. When a sewer collection main does not exist and adjacent to property requesting service, the customer shall be responsible for all costs related to the extension of the existing collection system to a point adjacent to property to be serviced which is at least ten (10) feet beyond an extension of the closest property line.

- D. Commercial Unit - All Classes. Persons desiring connection to the sanitary sewer system of the service area shall pay to the County a connection charge based on the weighted fixture units. A minimum connection fee shall be \$2,750.00 with an additional \$110.00 per weighted fixture unit for all units in excess of 25. Each connection fee for each separate commercial unit, as calculated above, shall entitle the customer to treatment plant capacity and one service wye and service lateral under the same conditions stated above for single family unit.

5.2 Work to be Inspected. All sewer construction work shall be inspected by the Department of Public Works, Utility Division, to insure compliance with all requirements of the Sewer Service Area. No sewer shall be covered at any point until it has been inspected and passed for acceptance. No sewer shall be connected to the sewer system until all work has been completed, inspected, approved and accepted by the Department of Public Works, Utility Division.

5.3 Checking Fee. Any applicant, customer or developer requiring approval of plans by the County Utility Division, or desiring plan checking shall pay to the Utility Division the following fee or fees:

A minimum of \$200 plus \$5 per lot for all lots in excess of 40 within the subdivision.

If any portion of the plans after being checked are required to be redrawn or rechecked, the applicant shall pay the additional cost of checking based upon the actual expense of the rechecking service. No plan checking will be done until the required fee is paid.

In the case of rechecking, the fee shall be based upon an estimated cost of the service, and payment in excess of costs will be returned to the Applicant.

5.4 Structure Under Construction. For the purposes of this ordinance, until a structure has installed plumbing fixtures the structure shall be considered under construction and disconnected from the sewer system of the County. No charges otherwise provided herein will be accrued during this period.

5.5 Review of Sewer Service Charges. The Board shall annually review the service charges set out in Article 4 and 5 and determine that the charges are adequate to meet the costs of operating the wastewater treatment facility.

5.6 Charge for Operation and Maintenance Costs for Extraneous Flows. The operation and maintenance costs attributable to infiltration and/or inflow will be apportioned among all users in the same manner that the sewer user charges are apportioned.

5.7 Public Agencies Exempted From Deposit Requirements. In lieu of cash deposits, or sureties, purchase orders will be accepted from public agencies.

5.8 Delinquent Accounts. There will be a charge for late payment. If payment is not received by the 1st day of the calendar month following the due date of payment specified on the bill, a late processing fee and a penalty on the outstanding balance will be charged in accordance with Article 6.3.

5.9 Damage to County Property. Persons causing damage to County property by any willful or negligent act shall be responsible for payment of costs incurred.

5.10 Charges for Account Transfer and Special Reading. If the customer requests an account transfer or special meter reading, a processing charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) shall be charged. Customers must give 24-hours or previous working day's notice for special reading.

ARTICLE 6. TIME AND MANNER OF PAYMENT

6.1 Issuance of Bills. The County shall issue a bill monthly for each service in accordance with this ordinance. The County shall send out bills for sanitary sewer service used and for which no payment has been received, and shall use the rates and charges established by this ordinance to determine the amount.

6.2 Bills Due When Presented. Upon presentation, all bills shall be due and payable at the office of the Washoe County Treasurer.

6.3 Delinquent Accounts. Accounts not paid in accordance with Article 5.8 are delinquent and shall be charged a late payment processing fee of ten percent of the outstanding balance plus a penalty of 1.5 percent monthly or 18 percent annual on the outstanding balance.

6.4 Discontinuance of Service. The County may discontinue service to a customer having a delinquent bill.

6.5 Represents Lien on Property. Until paid, all rates, tolls and charges provided in this ordinance constitute a perpetual lien on and against the property served and may be foreclosed upon as provided by law.

6.6 Collection by Suit. As an alternative to any of the other procedures herein provided, the County may bring an action against the customer for the collection of the amount of the delinquent rate and all penalties and costs of collection including a reasonable attorney's fee.

6.7 Proration of Service Charges; Minimum Bill. If any opening or closing bill is for a period shorter than the regular billing period, the monthly charges for service shall be reduced in the same proportion as the actual period of use is reduced from the regular billing period.

6.8 Failure to Receive a Bill. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve the customer of the obligation to pay for services received.

6.9 Checks Not Honored by Bank. Checks presented in payment of bills which are returned by a bank shall be treated as though no payment had been made and a \$10.00 handling charge will be levied by the County plus any additional charges of the bank. Redemption of returned checks may be required to be by cash or equivalent. The customer must reimburse the County for any returned check fees charged by a bank to the County.

6.10 Responsible Party. The owner of the parcel receiving sanitary sewer service shall be billed for the service at the beginning of each billing period. In the case where the owner is not the occupant of the parcel, and payment is not made in a timely manner, as prescribed by this ordinance, it shall be the owner's responsibility to bring payment current or such unpaid bills shall represent a lien on the parcel.

6.11 Disputed Bills. In the case of a dispute between a Customer and the County as to the correct amount of any bill rendered by the County for water service furnished to the Customer, the Customer will deposit with the County the amount claimed by the County to be due.

Failure to Make Deposit. Failure on the part of the Customer to make such deposit within fifteen (15) days after written notice by the County that such deposit be made or service may be discontinued, shall warrant the County in discontinuing the service to the Customer without further notice.

6.12 Arbitration of Dispute: In the event of dispute between the Customer and the County, respecting any bill, charge or service, the County shall forth with make such investigation as shall be required by the particular case, and report the result thereof to the Customer. In the event that the complaint cannot be satisfactorily adjusted, the County or Customer may make application to the County for adjustment of the complaint, and the County shall notify the Customer in writing or otherwise, that he has the privilege of appeal to the Board.

ARTICLE 7. APPLICATION FOR SERVICE

Each person applying for a new sanitary sewer service or changes in an existing service, will be required to sign appropriate application forms provided by the County and to pay all required fees and charges. The application form shall include an agreement to abide by all County rules and regulations and shall require furnishing such information as the County may reasonably require. Each applicant shall describe the type of development proposed for the property.

7.1 Existing Service Connection. Applicants for service through existing service connections shall provide required information on forms provided by the County.

7.2 New Service. No connection shall be made to a main unless a written application has been submitted by the property owner or his agent on forms provided by the County. The applicant shall provide any and all information which will assist the County in properly locating the service lateral, including a description of the development, the use of water and plumbing plans of the private facilities if required. Applications shall be accompanied by payment of the connection privilege fee. A written legal description of the property to be served shall accompany any application for service to property not within an approved subdivision.

7.3 Correct Information. In the event that an applicant provided incorrect information as to the size and location of a service connection or request a change in the size or location after work has commenced, the applicant shall pay any costs incurred by reason of such corrections and changes.

7.4 Rejection of Application. Applications for service through existing or new service connections may be rejected if:

a) The account of the applicant at the same or other location is delinquent.

b) The purpose of the applicant, in the opinion of the County, is to circumvent discontinuance of service in another name because of non-payment of sewer bills.

7.5 Service Outside Service Area Boundary. Only property within the service area boundary is eligible for sanitary sewer service from the County. Property outside the service area must be annexed into the service area before application can be made for sanitary sewer service to the property. Applicant shall pay all costs associated with annexation of property into the service area.

ARTICLE 8. TERMINATION OF SERVICE

8.1 Customer's Request for Termination of Service. A Customer may have service terminated by giving not less than five (5) days advance notice thereof to the County, and provide a mailing address to which the closing bill will be mailed. Charges for service may be required to be paid until the requested date of discontinuance or such later date as will provide not less than the required five (5) days advance notice. When such notice is not given, the Customer will be required to pay for service until five (5) days after the County has knowledge that the Customer has vacated the premises or otherwise has terminated service. Failure to notify the County of termination of service shall not relieve the customer of responsibility for payment of sewer bills.

8.2 Termination of Service by County.

A. For Nonpayment of Bills. A Customer's service may be discontinued for nonpayment of a bill for service furnished if the bill is not paid within thirty (30) days after presentation, provided the County has given the Customer at least five (5) days prior notice of such intention.

Premises to which charges have become delinquent may be disconnected from the sewer system. The County shall charge the cost of disconnection of such premises and the cost of reconnection thereto, and such user shall deposit the cost as estimated of disconnection and reconnection before such premises are reconnected to the sewer system. The amount of the cost of disconnection and reconnection over the deposit shall constitute a charge and be collected as such. The amount of the deposit not used shall be repaid or applied as a deposit.

B. For Noncompliance With Rules. The County may discontinue service to any Customer for violation of these rules after it has given the Customer as least five (5) days written notice of such intention. Where safety of water supply is endangered, or the discharge to the sewer is dangerous to public safety, service may be discontinued or curtailed immediately without notice.

C. For Infiltration or Illegal Connections. Where negligence, infiltration, illegal connection or discharge of harmful wastes into the collection system, on or from a customer's premises occurs, the County may make such corrections as may be indicated at customer's expense, if such practices are not remedied within five (5) days after it has given the customer written notice to such effect.

D. For Unsafe Apparatus or Where Service is Detrimental or Damaging to the County or its Customers. If any unsafe or hazardous condition is found to exist on the customer's premises, or if the sewage or waste therefrom, by apparatus or illegal or prohibited connections, apparatus, equipment or otherwise, is found to be detrimental or damaging to the County or its customers, the service may be discontinued without notice. The County will notify the customer immediately of the reasons for the discontinuance and the corrective action to be taken by the customer before service can be restored.

(1) Types of Wastes Prohibited. No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described waters or wastes to any public sewers.

a. Any gasoline, benzene, naphtha, fuel oil, or other flammable or explosive liquid, solid or gas.

b. Any waters or wastes containing toxic or poisonous solids, liquids or gases in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction with other wastes, to injure or interfere with any sewage treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, create a public nuisance or create any hazard in the receiving waters of the sewage treatment plant, including but not limited to cyanides in excess of two (2) mg/l as CN in the wastes as discharged to the public sewer.

c. Any waters or wastes having a pH lower than 5.5 or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment and personnel of the sewage works.

d. Solid or viscous substances in quantities or of such size capable of causing obstruction to the flow in sewers, or other interference with the proper operation of the sewage works such as, but not limited to ashes, cinders, sand, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, unground garbage, whole blood, paunch manure, hair and fleshings, entrails and paper dishes, cups, milk containers, etc., either whole or ground by garbage grinders.

E. For Fraudulent Use of Service. When the County has discovered that a Customer has obtained service by fraudulent means, or has altered the sewer service for unauthorized use, the service to that Customer may be discontinued without notice. The County will not restore service to such Customer until that Customer has complied with all filed rules and reasonable requirements of the County and the County has been reimbursed for the full amount of the service rendered and the actual cost that the County incurred by reason of the fraudulent use.

8.3 Restoration of Service.

A. To be Made During Regular Working Hours. The County will endeavor to make reconnections during regular working hours on the day of the request, if conditions permit; otherwise, reconnection will be made on the regular working day following the day the request is made.

B. To be Made at Other Than Regular Working Hours. When a Customer has requested that the reconnection be made at other than regular working hours, the County will reasonably endeavor to so make the reconnection if practicable under the circumstances, but will be under no obligation to do so, unless an emergency exists.

8.4 Refusal to Serve.

A. Conditions for Refusal. The County may refuse an Applicant for service under the following conditions:

1. If the Applicant for service is not within the boundaries of the Service Area.
2. If the intended use of the service is of such a nature that it will be detrimental or injurious to existing Customers.
3. If the Applicant fails to comply with any of the rules as approved by the Board.
4. If, in the judgment of the County, the Applicant's installation for utilizing the service is unsafe or hazardous or subject to freezing, or flooding, or of such nature that satisfactory service cannot be rendered.
5. Where service has been discontinued for fraudulent use, the County will not serve an Applicant until it has determined that all conditions of fraudulent use or practice have been corrected.
6. When the collection lines, disposal systems, or treatment facilities do not have capacity or the capability to receive and/or treat sewage, septic tank effluent, or liquid waste without contamination of the ground or surface waters of the basin or the watershed of the Truckee River, or in violation of Health Department requirements.
7. If the County's leased capacity at the Plant has been allocated, and additional capacity cannot be obtained.

B. Notification to Customers. When an Applicant is refused service under the provisions of this rule, the County will notify the Applicant promptly, by procedures outlined in Article 3.4, of the reason for the refusal to serve and of the right of the Applicant to appeal the County's decision to the Board. Whenever termination of sewer service will effect more than one dwelling unit, the County will make reasonable effort to give notice to all dwelling units. The County shall cause notice to be given at least five (5) calendar days but not more than fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the date of intended termination.

ARTICLE 9. SERVICE AREAS

9.1. Intention. The intent of this Ordinance is to establish a schedule of rates and charges for provision of sanitary sewer service by Washoe County to service areas currently owned and operated by Washoe County, and to future new or existing service areas that may come under the jurisdiction of Washoe County. A separate accounting of each service area's revenues and expenditures need not be maintained under the Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund.

9.2 Service Areas.

- A. Lemmon Valley Sewer Service Area shall mean the following area: T.20N., R.18E., all of Sections 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11; N. 1/2 Section 15, N 1/2 S.W. 1/4 Section 15; N 1/2 Section 16; N 1/2 Section 17; and N 1/2 S.E. 1/4 Section 17, T.21N., R.19E., all of Sections 26, 27, 33, 34 and 35; T.20N., R.19E., Sections 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16 and 17, M.D.B. & M. The Lemmon Valley Sewer Service Area is made up of several sub areas including the Black Springs General Improvement District and adjacent lands.
1. The Black Springs General Improvement District Sub Service Area shall mean the following area: the Black Springs General Improvement District as described and set forth in Washoe County Ordinance No. 198.
 2. Black Springs General Improvement District Adjacent Sewer Service Area shall mean the following area: All property located within 1,000 feet of the Black Springs General Improvement District boundary as defined in paragraph 1 above and that area southwest of Old U.S. 395 in the vicinity of Heindel Road and Meyers Avenue being the N.W. 1/4 of the N.W. 1/4, Section 16, T.20N., R.19E.
 - a. All existing and future living units which are within the Black Springs General Improvement District shall connect to the sanitary sewer collection system.
 - b. All existing and future living units adjacent to the Black Springs General Improvement District and within 1,000 feet of the Black Springs General Improvement District boundary and within two hundred (200) feet of the sanitary sewer system and located on a parcel less than one acre in size, shall connect to the sanitary sewer collection system.
 - c. All living units located within the Lemmon Valley Service Area and not covered by paragraphs a and b above, may connect to the sanitary sewer collection system after filing the appropriate applications and paying the necessary connection charges.
- B. South Sun Valley Sewer Service Area shall be that portion of Washoe County for which sewage capacity at the Reno/Sparks Treatment Plant has been obtained through an intergovernmental agreement with the Sun Valley Water and Sanitation District. The area is bounded on the north by Sun Valley Water and Sanitation District; on the east by the north, south 1/4 section lines of Sections 29 and 32, T.20N., R.20E.; on the south by the city limits of Reno and Sparks; and on the west by eastern boundary of Sections 25 and 36, T.20N., R.20E.

- C. Southern Comfort Sewer Service Area shall be that portion of Washoe County for which capacity exists to transfer septic tank effluent to a common disposal system, operated and maintained by Washoe County Utility Division. The service area is defined as Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of Block A in Southern Comfort Unit One Subdivision, Tract Map Number 2216, Official Records of Washoe County, Parcels 1, 2 and 3 of Parcel Map Number 1814, Official Records of Washoe County, Parcel N of Parcel Map 757, Official Records of Washoe County and Parcel 2 of Parcel Map 1504, Official Records of Washoe County as revised by Documents 959409 and 988381 recorded October 30, 1984 and April 5, 1985 respectively, in the Official Records of Washoe County, Nevada.
- D. South Truckee Meadows Sewer Service Area shall mean the area shown on the attached exhibit A as:
- a) Huffaker Hills
 - b) SE Truckee Meadows 1
 - c) SE Truckee Meadows 2
 - d) Steamboat Valley
 - e) Pleasant Valley
 - f) Sierra Reflections
 - g) Steamboat Hills
 - h) Galena Fan
 - i) Thomas-Whites Fan
- E. All other service areas in the unincorporated areas of Washoe County that are or may in the future be owned and operated by Washoe County.

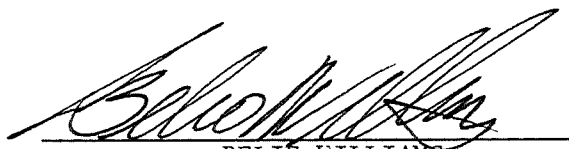
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 Proposed by Commissioners Beck.
 Passed on the 26th day of May, 1987.

Vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Lillard, McDowell, Williams

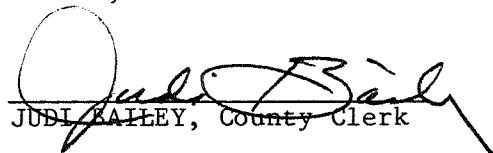
Nays: Commissioners: Beck

Absent: Commissioners: Cornwall



BELIE WILLIAMS
 Chairman of the Board

ATTEST;



JUDI BAILEY, County Clerk

This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 8th
 day of June, 1987.

