

2013 - 2014 Seattle City Council Green Sheet

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Budget Action Title: Amend as recommended by the LUC Committee and pass as amended C.B. 117566 – the wastewater treatment rate ordinance

Councilmembers: Bagshaw; Conlin; Godden

Staff Analyst: Meg Moorehead

Council Bill or Resolution: C.B. 117566

Budget Committee Vote:

Date	Result	SB	BH	TR	RC	TB	NL	JG	SC	MO
11/07/2012	Pass 8- 1-Absent	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Budget Action description:

This green sheet amends as recommended by the Libraries, Utilities and Center (LUC) Committee, and recommends passage as amended of C.B. 117566 (attached in mark-up format), the wastewater treatment rate ordinance.

The wastewater treatment rate ordinance “passes through” a 10.2% treatment rate increase adopted by King County for 2013 and beyond. The pass-through is calculated according to the formula in SMC 21.28.040 B.1. Recommendations from the summer 2012 LUC rate review did not make direct changes to wastewater treatment rates. However, the Committee recommended small reductions in the drainage and wastewater system rates that are amended by the wastewater treatment rate ordinance. This green sheet amends the treatment rate ordinance to show those drainage and wastewater system rate reductions.

Because the treatment rate ordinance assumes passage of LUC-recommended changes to proposed 2013-2015 drainage and wastewater rates, this green sheet relies on approval of the LUC-recommended drainage rate green sheet 28-1-A and the LUC-recommended wastewater rate green sheet 29-1-A.

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CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE _____
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AN ORDINANCE relating to drainage and wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; adjusting wastewater and drainage rates to pass through increased treatment costs charged by King County; amending Sections 21.28.040 and 21.33.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to reflect the adjusted rates; and amending Section 21.76.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust credits to low-income drainage and wastewater customers.

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities' wastewater and drainage rates are based on the sum of the treatment rate and system rate for each utility and are designed to pass through the wastewater and drainage shares of the rates King County charges for its wastewater treatment services as part of the treatment rate applicable to each utility; and

WHEREAS, proposed ordinances introduced as Council Bill Nos. 117520 and 117521, introduced on July 16, 2012, propose to established the 2013-2015 Seattle Public Utilities' wastewater volume rate and drainage rates, respectively, based on the existing King County wastewater treatment charge of \$36.10; and

WHEREAS, King County adopted a new wastewater treatment rate of \$39.79 per residential customer equivalent per month effective January 1, 2013, which is an increase of more than 10 percent over the existing treatment rate; and

WHEREAS, Subsections 21.28.040 B.1 and 21.33.030 D.1 allow the treatment rates of each utility to be adjusted by ordinance at any time in response to changes in the King County wastewater rates; and

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities' proposed 2013, 2014, and 2015 wastewater and drainage treatment rates, contained in Council Bill Nos. 117520 and 117521, will not provide sufficient revenues to pay the increased King County treatment costs; and

WHEREAS, wastewater and drainage credits for qualified low-income customers, not billed directly by SPU, are based on typical residential bills, and credits for such customers need to be revised to reflect the changes in the wastewater and drainage rates; NOW, THEREFORE,

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subsection 21.28.040 B.3 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

21.28.040 Wastewater volume charge.

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B. The wastewater volume rate shall be the sum of the treatment rate, the system rate and, where applicable, the MMRD surcharge, as follows:

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3. The wastewater volume rate per CCF shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

	Effective Jan. 1, 2012	<u>Effective</u> <u>Jan. 1, 2013</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>Jan. 1, 2014</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>Jan. 1, 2015</u>
Treatment Rate	\$6.94	(\$6.88) \$7.69	(\$6.94) \$7.69	(\$6.96) \$7.69
System Rate	\$3.74	<u>\$3.96</u>	<u>\$4.06</u>	<u>\$4.15</u>
Wastewater Volume Rate	\$10.68	(\$10.84) <u>\$11.654</u>	(\$10.97) <u>\$11.757</u>	(\$11.11) <u>\$11.841</u>

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1 Section 2. Subsection 21.33.030 D.3 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as
2 follows:

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4 **SMC 21.33.030 Drainage service charges and drainage rates – Schedule –**
5 **Exemptions.**

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7 D. Drainage rates used in the calculation of drainage service charges shall be the sum of the
8 treatment rate and the system rate, as follows:

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12 3. The rate categories and the corresponding annual drainage rates are as follows:

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14 Effective January 1, 2012:

Rate Category	Treatment Rate	System Rate	Total Drainage Rate	Billing Unit
Small Residential				
Under 3000 sq. ft.	\$11.44	\$137.89	\$149.33	per parcel
3000-4999 sq. ft.	\$14.78	\$178.01	\$192.79	per parcel
5000-6999 sq. ft.	\$20.06	\$241.60	\$261.66	per parcel
7000-9999 sq. ft.	\$25.34	\$306.89	\$332.23	per parcel

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1	General Service/Large Residential					
2	Undeveloped	(0-15% impervious)				
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4		Regular	\$1.69	\$20.27	\$21.96	per 1000 Sq Ft
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6		Low Impact	\$1.06	\$12.70	\$13.76	per 1000 Sq Ft
7						
8	Light	(16-35% impervious)				
9						
10		Regular	\$2.53	\$30.45	\$32.98	per 1000 Sq Ft
11						
12		Low Impact	\$2.01	\$24.13	\$26.14	per 1000 Sq Ft
13						
14	Moderate	(36-65% impervious)				
15						
16		Regular	\$3.66	\$44.10	\$47.76	per 1000 Sq Ft
17						
18		Low Impact	\$2.94	\$35.41	\$38.35	per 1000 Sq Ft
19						
20	Heavy	(66-85% impervious)	\$4.83	\$58.18	\$63.01	per 1000 Sq Ft
21						
22	Very Heavy	(86-100% impervious)	\$5.70	\$68.79	\$74.49	per 1000 Sq Ft

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25	<u>Rate Category</u>	<u>Treatment Rate</u>	<u>System Rate</u>	<u>Total Drainage Rate</u>	<u>Billing Unit</u>
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1	<u>Small Residential</u>					
2		<u>Under 3000 sq.</u>	<u>(((\$14.59))</u>		<u>(((\$162.72))</u>	<u>per</u>
3		<u>ft.</u>	<u>\$15.92</u>	<u>\$148.13</u>	<u>\$164.05</u>	<u>parcel</u>
4		<u>3000-4999 sq.</u>	<u>(((\$18.92))</u>		<u>(((\$210.96))</u>	<u>per</u>
5		<u>ft</u>	<u>\$20.88</u>	<u>\$192.04</u>	<u>\$212.92</u>	<u>parcel</u>
6		<u>5000-6999 sq.</u>	<u>(((\$25.68))</u>		<u>(((\$286.39))</u>	<u>per</u>
7		<u>ft</u>	<u>\$28.40</u>	<u>\$260.71</u>	<u>\$289.11</u>	<u>parcel</u>
8		<u>7000-9999 sq.</u>	<u>(((\$32.30))</u>		<u>(((\$362.34))</u>	<u>per</u>
9		<u>ft.</u>	<u>\$35.92</u>	<u>\$330.05</u>	<u>\$365.97</u>	<u>parcel</u>
10	<u>General Service/Large Residential</u>					
11	<u>Undeveloped</u>	<u>(0-15%</u>				
12		<u>impervious)</u>				
13		<u>Regular</u>	<u>(((\$2.06))</u>	<u>\$20.91</u>	<u>(((\$22.97))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
14			<u>\$2.40</u>		<u>\$23.31</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
15		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>(((\$1.21))</u>	<u>\$12.25</u>	<u>(((\$13.46))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
16			<u>\$1.40</u>		<u>\$13.65</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
17	<u>Light</u>	<u>(16-35%</u>		-		
18		<u>impervious)</u>				
19		<u>Regular</u>	<u>(((\$3.20))</u>	<u>\$32.45</u>	<u>(((\$35.65))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
20			<u>\$3.60</u>		<u>\$36.05</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
21		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>(((\$2.51))</u>	<u>\$25.53</u>	<u>(((\$28.04))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
22			<u>\$2.82</u>		<u>\$28.35</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
23	<u>Moderate</u>	<u>(36-65%</u>				
24		<u>impervious)</u>				
25		<u>Regular</u>	<u>(((\$4.65))</u>	<u>\$47.22</u>	<u>(((\$51.87))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
26			<u>\$5.13</u>		<u>\$52.35</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
27		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>(((\$3.74))</u>	<u>\$37.98</u>	<u>(((\$41.72))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
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1			<u>\$4.14</u>		<u>\$42.11</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
2	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>(66-85% impervious)</u>	<u>((\$6.25) \$6.82</u>	<u>\$63.42</u>	<u>((\$69.67) \$70.23</u>	<u>per 1000 Sq Ft</u>
3						
4	<u>Very Heavy</u>	<u>(86-100% impervious)</u>	<u>((\$7.39) \$8.02</u>	<u>\$75.06</u>	<u>((\$82.45) \$83.08</u>	<u>per 1000 Sq Ft</u>
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8	<u>Rate Category</u>		<u>Treatment Rate</u>	<u>System Rate</u>	<u>Total Drainage Rate</u>	<u>Billing Unit</u>
9						
10	<u>Small Residential</u>					
11		<u>Under 3000 sq. ft.</u>	<u>((\$17.44) \$19.03</u>	<u>\$161.93</u>	<u>((\$179.37) \$180.96</u>	<u>per parcel</u>
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13		<u>3000-4999 sq. ft.</u>	<u>((\$22.62) \$24.95</u>	<u>\$209.93</u>	<u>((\$232.55) \$234.87</u>	<u>per parcel</u>
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15		<u>5000-6999 sq. ft.</u>	<u>((\$30.70) \$33.93</u>	<u>\$285.00</u>	<u>((\$315.70) \$318.92</u>	<u>per parcel</u>
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17		<u>7000-9999 sq. ft.</u>	<u>((\$38.61) \$42.88</u>	<u>\$360.82</u>	<u>((\$399.43) \$403.70</u>	<u>per parcel</u>
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19	<u>General Service/Large Residential</u>					
20	<u>Undeveloped</u>	<u>(0-15% impervious)</u>				
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22		<u>Regular</u>	<u>((\$2.46) \$2.85</u>	<u>\$22.86</u>	<u>((\$25.32) \$25.71</u>	<u>per 1000 Sq Ft</u>
23						
24		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>((\$1.44) \$1.66</u>	<u>\$13.39</u>	<u>((\$14.83) \$15.06</u>	<u>per 1000 Sq Ft</u>
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26	<u>Light</u>	<u>(16-35%</u>		-		

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1		<u>impervious)</u>				
2		<u>Regular</u>	<u>(((\$3.82))</u>		<u>(((\$39.29))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
3			<u>\$4.29</u>	<u>\$35.47</u>	<u>\$39.76</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
4		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>(((\$3.01))</u>		<u>(((\$30.91))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
5			<u>\$3.37</u>	<u>\$27.90</u>	<u>\$31.27</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
6	<u>Moderate</u>	<u>(36-65%</u> <u>impervious)</u>				
7						
8		<u>Regular</u>	<u>(((\$5.56))</u>		<u>(((\$57.18))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
9			<u>\$6.13</u>	<u>\$51.62</u>	<u>\$57.75</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
10		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>(((\$4.47))</u>		<u>(((\$45.98))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
11			<u>\$4.94</u>	<u>\$41.51</u>	<u>\$46.45</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
12	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>(66-85%</u> <u>impervious)</u>	<u>(((\$7.47))</u>		<u>(((\$76.80))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
13			<u>\$8.15</u>	<u>\$69.33</u>	<u>\$77.48</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
14	<u>Very Heavy</u>	<u>(86-100%</u> <u>impervious)</u>	<u>(((\$8.84))</u>		<u>(((\$90.89))</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
15			<u>\$9.60</u>	<u>\$82.05</u>	<u>\$91.65</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>

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<u>Rate Category</u>	<u>Treatment Rate</u>	<u>System Rate</u>	<u>Total Drainage Rate</u>	<u>Billing Unit</u>
<u>Small Residential</u>				
<u>Under 3000 sq. ft.</u>	<u>(((\$17.34))</u> <u>\$18.90</u>	<u>\$179.93</u>	<u>(((\$197.27))</u> <u>\$198.83</u>	<u>per parcel</u>
<u>3000-4999 sq. ft.</u>	<u>(((\$22.48))</u> <u>\$24.79</u>	<u>\$233.27</u>	<u>(((\$255.75))</u> <u>\$258.06</u>	<u>per parcel</u>
<u>5000-6999 sq.</u>	<u>(((\$30.52))</u>	<u>\$316.67</u>	<u>(((\$347.19))</u>	<u>per</u>

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1		<u>ft</u>	<u>\$33.73</u>		<u>\$350.40</u>	<u>parcel</u>
2		<u>7000-9999 sq.</u>	<u>((\$38.38)</u>		<u>((\$439.28)</u>	<u>per</u>
3		<u>ft.</u>	<u>\$42.65</u>	<u>\$400.90</u>	<u>\$443.55</u>	<u>parcel</u>
4	<u>General Service/Large Residential</u>					
5	<u>Undeveloped</u>	<u>(0-15%</u>				
6		<u>impervious)</u>				
7		<u>Regular</u>	<u>((\$2.45)</u>		<u>((\$27.85)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
8			<u>\$2.85</u>	<u>\$25.40</u>	<u>\$28.25</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
9		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>((\$1.43)</u>		<u>((\$16.31)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
10			<u>\$1.66</u>	<u>\$14.88</u>	<u>\$16.54</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
11	<u>Light</u>	<u>(16-35%</u>				
12		<u>impervious)</u>		-		
13		<u>Regular</u>	<u>((\$3.80)</u>		<u>((\$43.21)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
14			<u>\$4.27</u>	<u>\$39.41</u>	<u>\$43.69</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
15		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>((\$2.99)</u>		<u>((\$34.00)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
16			<u>\$3.35</u>	<u>\$31.01</u>	<u>\$34.36</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
17	<u>Moderate</u>	<u>(36-65%</u>				
18		<u>impervious)</u>				
19		<u>Regular</u>	<u>((\$5.53)</u>		<u>((\$62.89)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
20			<u>\$6.09</u>	<u>\$57.36</u>	<u>\$63.45</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
21		<u>Low Impact</u>	<u>((\$4.45)</u>		<u>((\$50.57)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
22			<u>\$4.92</u>	<u>\$46.12</u>	<u>\$51.04</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
23	<u>Heavy</u>	<u>(66-85%</u>	<u>((\$7.43)</u>		<u>((\$84.46)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
24		<u>impervious)</u>	<u>\$8.10</u>	<u>\$77.03</u>	<u>\$85.12</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>
25	<u>Very Heavy</u>	<u>(86-100%</u>	<u>((\$8.79)</u>		<u>((\$99.95)</u>	<u>per 1000</u>
26		<u>impervious)</u>	<u>\$9.53</u>	<u>\$91.16</u>	<u>\$100.69</u>	<u>Sq Ft</u>

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Section 3. Subsection 21.76.040 A of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

21.76.040 Low Income Rate Credits.

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A. Drainage, Wastewater, and Water. Persons qualified by the Human Services Department as eligible recipients of low income utility credits provided for in Section 21.76.010 (eligible recipients) shall be granted low income billing credits in the following amounts:

1. Wastewater. Eligible recipients billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities for wastewater services and residing in single-family dwellings shall receive a credit equal to 0.5 times the total current wastewater volume charge. Eligible recipients not billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities for wastewater services shall receive the following credits based on dwelling type:

Effective Date	Single-family and duplex	Multifamily dwelling
January 1, 2012	\$27.77 per month	\$19.22 per month
January 1, 2013	\$(23.34)25.05 per month	\$(46.26)17.48 per month
January 1, 2014	\$(23.59)25.26 per month	\$(46.46)17.63 per month
January 1, 2015	\$(23.89)25.46 per month	\$(46.67)17.76 per month

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At the time of a change to the wastewater volume rate described in SMC 21.28.040, the Director of Seattle Public Utilities shall calculate new credits based on dwelling type for eligible recipients not billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities. The credit for Single-family and duplex

customers shall be 0.5 times the wastewater volume rate multiplied by ~~((5.2))~~4.3 CCF, which is typical single family residential sewer billed consumption. The credit for Multifamily dwelling customers shall be 0.5 times the wastewater volume rate multiplied by ~~((3.6))~~3.0 CCF, which is typical multifamily sewer billed consumption.

2. Drainage. Eligible recipients residing inside The City of Seattle shall receive the following credits for drainage services based on dwelling type:

	Effective January 1, 2012	<u>Effective</u> <u>January 1, 2013</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>January 1, 2014</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>January 1, 2015</u>
Single-family	\$10.90 per month	\$((11.93)) 12.26 per month	\$((13.15)) 13.27 per month	\$((14.47)) 14.60 per month
Duplex	\$5.45 per month	\$((5.97)) 6.13 per month	\$((6.58)) 6.64 per month	\$((7.24)) 7.30 per month
Multifamily	\$1.17 per month	\$((1.28)) 1.31 per month	\$((1.41)) 1.42 per month	\$((1.55)) 1.56 per month

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1 Section 4. This ordinance does not affect any existing right acquired or liability or
2 obligation incurred under the sections amended or repealed in this ordinance or under any rule or
3 order adopted under those sections, nor does it affect any proceeding instituted under those
4 sections.

5 Section 5. This ordinance does not affect any existing right acquired or liability or
6 obligation incurred under the sections amended or repealed in this ordinance or under any rule or
7 order adopted under those sections, nor does it affect any proceeding instituted under those
8 sections.
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10 Section 6. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable. If
11 a court of competent jurisdiction, all appeals having been exhausted or all appeal periods having
12 run, finds any provision of this ordinance to be invalid or unenforceable as to any person or
13 circumstance, then such provision or provisions shall be null and severed from the rest of this
14 ordinance with respect to the particular person or circumstance. The offending provision with
15 respect to all other persons and all other circumstances, as well as all other provisions of this
16 ordinance, shall remain valid and enforceable.
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1 Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days from and after its
2 approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after
3 presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020;
4 provided that if C.B. 117520 and/or C.B. 117521 become ordinances, then this ordinance shall
5 take effect no earlier than one day after the effective date of the ordinance introduced as C.B.
6 117520 or the effective date of the ordinance introduced as C.B. 117521, whichever is later.
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9 Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2012, and signed by me in open
10 session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2012.
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14 President _____ of the City Council

15 Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2012.
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18 Michael C. McGinn, Mayor

19 Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2012.
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22 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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