## **AMENDING CHAPTER 23**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3875** 

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 23 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED "WATER, SEWERS AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE DISCHARGE RESTRICTIONS" TO ALLOW IMPLEMENTATION OF A MODIFICATION TO THE WATER AND SEWER RATE METHODOLOGY DOCUMENTS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina that:

Section 1. Section 23-129 of the City Code shall be amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety, and substituting the following in its place:

"(a) The charges for making service connections of sizes four (4) inches or smaller shall be arrived at in accordance with the water and sewer rate methodology set forth in the Water and Sanitary Sewer Cost of Service and Rate Structure Study for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department, dated June, 1977, as amended, by the Water and Sewer Study Recommended Cost Determination Modifications, dated November 18, 1977; as further amended by the Second Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents, dated May 26, 1992; as further amended by the Third Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents, dated May 23, 1994; as further amended by the Fourth Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents, dated March 26, 2001; as further amended by the Fifth Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents, dated June 25, 2001; as further amended by the Sixth Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents, dated March 25, 2002; and as further amended by the Seventh Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents, dated April 7, 2008, all of which are on file with the City Clerk. The above documents shall be referred to as the "water and sewer rate methodology documents." Such rates, fees and charges as are set forth in the water and sewer rate methodology documents and any modifications thereto are referred to as the "schedule of current rates, fees and charges" in this chapter. The charges for making partial service connections \( \frac{3}{2} \)-inch size shall be calculated and applied in the same manner."

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective on May 1, 2008.

Approved as to form:

Senior Assistant City Attorney

## CERTIFICATION

I, Stephanie C. Kelly, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session convened on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008, the reference having been made in Minute Book 127, and recorded in full in Ordinance Book 55, Pages (511-513).

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, this the 8th day of April, 2008.

Stephanie C. Kelly, CMC, Deputy

## April 7, 2008 Seventh Amendment to the Water and Sewer Rate Methodology Documents

This is the Seventh Amendment to the Water and Sanitary Sewer Cost of Service and Rate Methodology dated June 1977, as amended. A further revision to the rate structure is needed, in part, to address the impact of the current, historic drought and is designed to encourage additional conservation in lieu the current tiered structure. Below are the changes:

1. Tier change from 3 to 4 tiers for residential and multi-family housing to:

Tier 1	0 to 4 ccf
Tier 2	5 to 8 ccf
Tier 3	9 to 16 ccf
Tier 4	Over 16 ccf

- 2. Sewer cap increased from 18 to 24 ccf
- 3. Tier change for irrigation meters and swimming pools from 3 to 2 tiers

0 to 16 ccf at tier 3 residential rates Over 16 ccf at tier 4 residential rates

- 4. Charge wholesale customers at tier 3 residential rates, currently at tier 2
- 5. Sewer only customers will be based on an average usage of 8 ccf as opposed to an average of 11 ccf.