

SECTION 705.080: SEWER USE CHARGE COLLECTION—PENALTY

- A. All users shall be billed monthly. For commercial and industrial users, the monthly bill shall reflect the previous month's water usage. Billings for each month shall be made within twenty-one (21) days after the end of that month. Payments are due when billings are made. Any payment not received within twenty-one (21) days of the bill date shall be delinquent.
- B. Accounts which are past due will be assessed a late charge of ten percent (10%) per month.
- C. Upon determination of delinquency by the City and after written request of any such delinquent account has gone unanswered by a delinquent owner, The Accounting/Utility Supervisor may:
1. Director the water district to shut off the water until such time as arrangements are made to bring the account current pursuant to RSMo 250.236, or
 2. Direct the Jackson County Assessor to place a special assessment on the Real Estate tax bill.
- D. Sewer service may be discontinued by the City for any of the following reasons:
1. Non-payment of any sewer bill due and owing (i.e., delinquent bill), provided however, that the City shall only disconnect water service if the charges have been in arrears for more than three (3) months and after the City has sent notice to the customer;
 2. Failure to protect and maintain the service pipe or fixtures or plumbing fixtures and drainage system on the customer's property in a condition satisfactory to the department;
 3. Molesting or tampering, by the customer or by others with the knowledge of the customer, with any meter, meter seal, drainage system, piping or any other device controlling or regulating the customer's sewage flow;
 4. Failure to provide the City's employees free and reasonable access to the premises served or for obstructing the way of ingress to the meter or other appliances controlling or regulating the customer's sewage flow.
- E. When sewer service to a customer has been discontinued for any of the reasons enumerated in Subsection (D), service will be renewed only after the circumstances which caused the service to be discontinued are corrected. The City may charge a disconnect/reconnect surcharge in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) which, in addition to all other delinquent amounts, must be satisfied before sewer service will be reconnected. (Ord. No. 5.100 Art. VIII, 9-14-81; Ord. No. 5.100-A §1, 5-17-82; Ord. No. 5.100-C §1, 7-7-86; Ord. No. 5.100E §1, 10-5-92; Ord. No. 96-10-10-04, 11-4-96; Ord. No. 97-04-07-07 §1, 5-5-97; Ord. No. 2007-06-11-03 §1, 6-11-07; Ord. No. 2007-06-25-05 §2, 6-25-07; Ord. No. 2007-11-26-02 §1, 11-26-07; Ord. No. 2008-04-14-01 §3, 4-14-08; Ord. No. 2014-2878, 10/28/14)