



Changes effective January 1, 2007

2007 Wastewater Rates

City rates for wastewater will increase by 13.5% for residential, multi-family, and commercial customers.

For residential customers, this translates to a \$3.28 increase in your bi-monthly bill.

Our Purpose

Olympia's Wastewater Utility provides effective wastewater collection and transport to the Budd Inlet Treatment Plant for customers within the City's service area to protect public and environmental health.

Your Bill Has Two Parts:

- A City of Olympia portion that pays for local wastewater collection.
- A LOTT (Lacey-Olympia-Tumwater-Thurston County) portion that funds the operation and maintenance of the Budd Inlet Treatment Facility. This portion of your bill is not changing.

Key Services

- Maintain existing pipes and pumps to ensure proper functioning of the system.
- Design and construct new pipe systems to accommodate wastewater flow and to ensure compliance with public health and safety standards.
- Review development proposals for compliance with City standards.
- Plan for long-term infrastructure needs.
- Provide customer information, education, and technical assistance for various types of wastewater services, including on-site septic systems.
- Administer the utility (billing, planning, mapping, and quality improvements).

Residential and Duplex Rate Bi-monthly Bill			
2006		2007	
City Fee	LOTT Fee	City Fee	LOTT Fee
\$24.26	\$51.00	\$27.54	\$51.00

Multi-Family Rate Bi-monthly Bill			
2006		2007	
City Fee	LOTT Fee	City Fee	LOTT Fee
\$16.98	\$35.70	\$19.28	\$35.70

Commercial Rate Bi-monthly Bill							
2006				2007			
City Fee		LOTT Fee		City Fee		LOTT Fee	
Fixed	100+ cf	Fixed	100+ cf	Fixed	100+ cf	Fixed	100+ cf
\$24.26	\$1.73	\$51.00	\$2.83	\$27.42	\$1.96	\$51.00	\$2.83

cf = 1 cubic foot

Why a Rate Increase?

During the past year, City staff evaluated existing wastewater services and defined long-term needs. In 2007, we will begin implementing a more comprehensive wastewater program for the City. The program will enable us to build a wastewater infrastructure system capable of meeting the needs of the future.

The program will focus on replacing and upgrading aging pipes and pumps, many of which were built more than 50 years ago. We will also plan and construct several major pipe extensions. These extensions will help serve outlying areas, as well as facilitate the conversion of onsite septic systems to sanitary sewer.



Assistance Program Available: Do you need assistance in paying your utility bill? If you are elderly and/or disabled, and a low-income customer, you may qualify for our lifeline rates. For more information, call the Utility Billing office at (360) 753-8340.

Questions? For rate information visit our website at www.olympiawa.gov, and select City Utilities from the main menu. For questions regarding your utility bill, please call Utility Billing at (360) 753-8340, TTY (360) 753-8270.

Wastewater Rate Information



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