

RESOLUTION NO. 15-031

ESTABLISHING FEES AND CHARGES FOR SEWER SYSTEM USAGE

FINDINGS

1. Pacific Grove Municipal Code (PGMC) Chapter 6.02 provides for the establishment of fees and charges for service. The City does so by means of its Master Fee Schedule.
2. The Monterey Regional Pollution Control Agency (PCA) collects sewer fees and charges on behalf of the City of Pacific Grove, in addition to its own fees and charges. The City's fees and charges are calculated as a percentage of the PCA's fees and charges, are listed in the City's Master Fee Schedule, and are currently set at 173% of the PCA's fees and charges. This equates to \$25.69 per month for a single family residence.
3. The Monterey Regional Pollution Control Agency is increasing its sewer fees and charges for occupancies throughout its service area, including occupancies in Pacific Grove. Because the City's fees and charges are calculated as a percentage of the PCA's fees and charges, without action by the City of Pacific Grove, an increase in the PCA's fees and charges would also increase the City's fees and charges.
4. The PCA is increasing its charges for occupancies with Pacific Grove by 3.6%. Thus, to maintain the City's sewer fees and charges at the same dollar amount, the City must reduce its fees and charges, calculated as a percentage of the PCA's fees and charges, to 167% of the PCA's charges.
5. The PCA has requested that the City Council act, by resolution, to inform the PCA that it desires that the City's portion of the overall rates not be increased.
6. The Action proposed by this Resolution does not constitute a "Project" as that term is defined under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guideline section 15378.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE:

1. The Council determines that each of the Findings set forth above is true and correct, and by this reference incorporates those Findings as an integral part of this Resolution.
2. The City Council hereby authorizes the Monterey Regional Pollution Control Agency to continue charging the same dollar amount for the Pacific Grove sewer changes, by reducing the percentage rate from 173% to 167%.
3. This approved change shall be effective the same day as the increase in PCA rates becomes effective, July 1, 2015.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE this
27th day of May, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Kampe, Councilmembers Cuneo, Fischer, Huitt, Lucius, Miller, Peake

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVED:

BILL KAMPE, Mayor

ATTEST:

SANDRA KANDELL, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAVID C. LAREDO, City Attorney