

**Gold Mountain Community Services District
RESOLUTION No. 2021/22 – 18**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOLD MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ADOPTING NEW SEWER RATES**

WHEREAS, the Gold Mountain Community Services District (“District”) provides sewer service to the Gold Mountain community; and

WHEREAS, California law allows the District to recover the full cost of providing sewer service to its customers, including the costs of operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing components of the sewer service facilities including but not limited to pipelines, disposal, and other infrastructure through the establishment of sewer service charges (“sewer rates”); and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Directors have examined the District’s existing sewer rates, and retained Hansford Economic Consulting LLC (“Consultant”) to prepare a Cost-of-Service and Rates Study to determine whether future adjustments to the District’s sewer rates are necessary in order to continue to provide sewer service to the District’s customers; and

WHEREAS, the Rates Study was received by the District Board of Directors on March 29, 2022, and made available to the public via its website and at its office; and

WHEREAS, the Rates Study was considered by the District Board of Directors, and a five-year schedule of sewer rates proposed; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Directors hereby finds and determines the following with regard to the proposed rate changes:

1. The revenues derived from the proposed sewer rates will not exceed the funds required to provide the sewer services and shall be used exclusively for the System;
2. The amount of the proposed sewer rates will not exceed the proportional cost of the services attributable to each parcel upon which they are proposed for the imposition;
3. The proposed sewer rates will not be imposed on a parcel unless the sewer services are actually used by, or immediately available to, the customer of the parcel;
4. The proposed sewer rates will not be used for any other purpose than that for which they are imposed;
5. The proposed sewer rates are not levied for general governmental services;

WHEREAS, the District Board of Directors hereby finds and determines that in accordance with the provisions of California Constitution article XIII D, section 6 (“Article XIII D”):

1. The District identified the parcels upon which the sewer service rates are proposed to be imposed, and calculated the amount of the sewer rates proposed to be imposed on each parcel;
2. On April 21, 2022, the District mailed written notice to sewer service customers of each parcel upon which the proposed sewer rates are proposed for imposition, which explained: (a) the amount of the proposed sewer rates; (b) the basis on which they were calculated; (c) the reason for the changes to the sewer rates; and (d) the date, time, and location of the public hearing on the proposed sewer rates; and
3. On June 15, 2022, (more than 45 days after mailing the notice), the District conducted a public hearing and considered all written protests against the proposed sewer rates; and
4. At the conclusion of the public hearing, written protests against the proposed sewer rates were not presented by a majority of customers subject to the proposed sewer rates.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Gold Mountain Community Services District as follows:

Section 1. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. The Board of Directors hereby adopts the sewer rates schedule set forth in Exhibit “A”, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Any prior fee or charge of the District, whether adopted by resolution, motion, or ordinance, is hereby superseded to the extent there is any conflict with the rates adopted herein.

Section 3. The Board of Directors finds that the adoption of the sewer rate schedule is necessary and reasonable to fund the administration, operation, maintenance and improvements of the District sewer system. Based on these findings, the Board determines that the adoption of the sewer rate schedule established by this resolution is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 21080(b)(8) of the Public Resources Code and Section 15273(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, clause, sentence, or phrase in this resolution is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this resolution shall not be affected thereby. The Board of Directors hereby declares it would have passed this resolution and each section, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that all or more sections, subsections, clauses, sentences or phrases are held invalid.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gold Mountain Community Services District held on the 15th day of June 2022, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Directors

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Cary Curtis
Gold Mountain CSD Board President

Attest: Leslie Chrysler
Gold Mountain CSD District Secretary

Exhibit A
Sewer Rates

Customer Type	Effective Date of Fees					
	1-Jul-22	1-Jul-23	1-Jul-24	1-Jul-25	1-Jul-26	
Connected Residential and Commercial Residential (A) + (B)						
Per Account	(A)	\$58.80	\$71.17	\$74.32	\$78.11	\$81.92
Per EDU [1], [2]	(B)	\$231.91	\$265.76	\$274.24	\$282.65	\$290.88
Connected Non-Residential (A) + (B) [3]						
Per Account	(A)	\$44.10	\$60.50	\$74.32	\$89.83	\$98.31
Per EDU [1], [4]	(B)	\$173.93	\$225.89	\$274.24	\$325.05	\$349.06
Unconnected Customers						
Each Lot		\$123.30	\$146.89	\$153.02	\$160.12	\$167.20

[1] Each Living Unit counts as one EDU. All sewer accounts with more than one Living Unit as of 6/1/2022 will only pay for one Living Unit until the property sells or is transferred to new ownership.

[2] Residential Lots with Additional Quarters pay for a maximum of two Living Units (Dwelling Unit plus Guest House). Commercial Residential Lots pay for every Living Unit.

[3] Per Board direction March 18, 2022, the rate structure includes a graduated increase in the rates for non-residential accounts whereby they will pay lower rates in years 1 and 2 but more in years 4 and 5 so that over the 5-year period they will pay their total cost of service. This shift has no impact on residential and commercial residential ratepayers.

[4] The number of sewer EDUs per non-residential account, based on actual water use, for each account in 2022:

Inn at Nakoma	14.5
Altitude Recreation Ctr	9.0
Clubhouse/Golf Course	24.0