

SOUTH GRANVILLE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE POLICY

WHEREAS, the South Granville Water and Sewer Authority ("SGWASA") was formed to provide certain water and wastewater services to southern Granville County; and

WHEREAS, SGWASA has limited amounts of water and wastewater capacity available; and

WHEREAS, the SGWASA Board has identified certain guiding principles to inform its policies regarding the payment of System Development Fees ("SDFs") in connection with water and/or sewer service with respect to new development and the reservation (allocation) of water and wastewater capacity for new development; and

WHEREAS, the SGWASA Board, after having considered these matters, wishes to adopt a System Development Fee ("SDF") Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, let it be resolved as follows:

- 1. <u>Guiding Principles:</u> SGWASA hereby adopts the following guiding principles to inform decisions regarding SDFs:
 - 1.1. SGWASA was created to manage efficiently and effectively the distribution of water and wastewater resources for the benefit of the entire southern Granville County region.
 - 1.2. SGWASA shall not make a judgment about the merit of a particular project. Instead, SGWASA's role is to ensure that available water and wastewater resources are used in the most efficient and effective manner possible for the southern Granville County region, whether a project be classified as residential, commercial, industrial, governmental, etc.

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- 1.3. SGWASA charges all projects located in the SGWASA Service Area the same per unit fee for water and wastewater allocation for the same or similar types of service. These fees are specified in the Board-approved Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges (the "Fee Schedule").
- 1.4. SDFs will be charged to new development in accordance with Article 8, Chapter 162A of the North Carolina General Statutes (the "SDF Law"). Terms not defined herein shall be given the same definition as those terms are given in the SDF Law.
- Participating Political Subdivisions: Granville County, the Town of Butner ("Butner"), the
 Town of Stem ("Stem"), and the City of Creedmoor ("Creedmoor") are members of SGWASA.
 Granville County, Butner, Stem, and Creedmoor are referred to as the "Participating Political Subdivisions".
- 3. System Development Fees Charged to New Development: New Development shall be charged a SDF Fee in accordance with the Fee Schedule. SGWASA will not reserve or allocate water and/or sewer capacity to a new development project until a SDF has been paid in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §162A-213. SGWASA will cooperate with each Participating Political Subdivision during the Participating Political Subdivision's review of any planned new development project. SGWASA will advise the Participating Political Subdivision whether capacity exists in the existing water distribution system, sewer collection system, and the water treatment plant and wastewater treatment plant to support the proposed new development project. No application for payment of an SDF will be accepted unless capacity exists to serve the proposed New Development project.
- 4. System Development Fee Policy Procedures Manual: All persons or entities seeking to pay obtain water and/or sewer service from SGWASA with respect to new development shall

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follow the procedures set out in the System Development Fee - Procedures Manual, should one be adopted and implemented by the Executive Director.

- 5. Compliance with Applicable Law: This policy shall be interpreted in a manner compliant with applicable law including the SDF Law. SGWASA staff shall administer this policy in accordance with the SDF Law and other applicable law and in a manner that protects SGWASA's interests in the integrity of the water and wastewater resources SGWASA is charged with managing.
- 6. <u>Modification</u>. This SDF policy may be reviewed and modified at any time by the SGWASA Board.

Adopted this 13th (day) of Feb. (month), 2024 (year).

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