



## **Agenda for Public Hearing on Proposed Revisions to District Water Supply and Sewer Ordinances**

Metropolitan District Commission  
125 Maxim Road, MDC Training Center  
Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER (Chair)
2. GENERAL STATEMENT (Chair)
3. READING OF HEARING NOTICE AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE (District Clerk)
4. PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE AND GUIDELINES (Chair)
5. OPEN UP TO COMMENTS AND OPINIONS FROM THE PUBLIC
  - A. WATER SUPPLY ORDINANCE § W1a
  - B. SEWER ORDINANCE § S12x
6. REMIND ATTENDEES THAT THEY MAY REGISTER OPINIONS WITH CLERK IF THEY HAVE NOT SPOKEN AT THE HEARING
7. ADJOURNMENT



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
COMMITTEE ON MDC GOVERNMENT  
PROPOSED REVISIONS TO DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY  
AND SEWER ORDINANCES**

**The Metropolitan District  
555 Main Street  
Hartford, Connecticut**

Pursuant to Special Act 01-3, as adopted by the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, and Section 2-14 of the Charter of The Metropolitan District, The Metropolitan District Committee on MDC Government will hold a public hearing on proposed revisions to The District's Water Supply Ordinances and Sewer Ordinances. The hearing will be held at The Metropolitan District Training Center, 125 Maxim Road, Hartford, Connecticut, on **Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M.** Free on-site parking is available and the CT Transit #59 Locust Street bus line provides bus service nearby.

Proposed changes to the following sections of the Water Supply and Sewer Ordinances will be considered:

**SEC. W1a WATER USED CHARGE (TREATED WATER)**

**SEC. S12x SPECIAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM**

The proposed ordinance revisions are available for inspection at the Office of the District Clerk of The Metropolitan District, 555 Main Street, Hartford and [www.themdc.org](http://www.themdc.org).

All interested parties from The Metropolitan District's member municipalities may appear to be heard.

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk



## WATER SUPPLY ORDINANCE

### SEC. W1a WATER USED CHARGE (TREATED WATER)

For customers which do not resell treated water, the WATER USED CHARGE is the quantity of water used as read at the meter, as follows:

<u>BILLS RENDERED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
<u>MONTHLY</u>	\$3.97 per 100 Cubic Feet

The WATER USED CHARGE for such customers subject to § S12x of The Metropolitan District Sewer Ordinances who purchase more than 802ccf of water per day, as averaged over a monthly billing period, as follows:

For each of the first 802ccf of water used per day:

<u>BILLS RENDERED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
<u>MONTHLY</u>	\$3.97 per 100 Cubic Feet

For each ccf of water used per day in excess of 802ccf:

<u>BILLS RENDERED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
<u>MONTHLY</u>	\$3.18 per 100 Cubic Feet

For customers which, by agreement with the District or otherwise, resell treated water, the WATER USED CHARGE is the quantity of water used as read at the meter, as follows:

<u>BILLS RENDERED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
<u>MONTHLY</u>	\$3.97 per 100 Cubic Feet



## **SEWER ORDINANCE**

### **SEC. S12x SPECIAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM**

- a.) For customers of The Metropolitan District who utilize the District sewer system and are furnished water directly by The Metropolitan District there shall be a special sewer service charge at rates established annually through the budget approval process as set forth in Chapter 3 of the Charter of The Metropolitan District. Except as provided in subsection S12x(b), S12x(c) and S12(d) said rates shall be uniformly applied to, and be proportional to the quantity of water used by, the affected customers.
- b.) Notwithstanding the foregoing, The Metropolitan District may, through its annual budget, allow for a reduction in the special sewer service charge otherwise payable by owners of commercial or industrial properties in the event said properties, and the commercial or industrial operations located thereon, are serviced, in whole or in part, by an on-site wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal system that does not discharge into the sanitary sewage system of The Metropolitan District. The amount of said reduction shall be based upon the sewer usage metered and reported pursuant to Section S12e and determined by the Board of Commissioners of The Metropolitan District during its annual budget approval process for any ensuing year.
- c.) Customers subject to the provisions of this Section 12x, other than customers subject to Subsection S12x(b) above, shall be subject to the special sewer service charge as follows: 1) for the first 24,060 hundred cubic feet of water consumed from a single water meter per month, the special sewer service charge shall be assessed at the rate established by The Metropolitan District against each one hundred cubic feet of water consumed; and 2) for all water consumed in excess of 24,060 hundred cubic feet per month from a single water meter, the special sewer service charge shall be assessed at such rate against each one hundred cubic feet of sewer flow generated by the water used in excess of 24,060 hundred cubic feet per month metered at a location approved by the Metropolitan District. This excess sewer flow shall be calculated via the proportion of sewage discharged to water consumed for the month, with this proportion applied to the volume of water consumed in excess of 24,060 hundred cubic feet per month and billed pursuant to Section S12f. The special sewer service charge assessed pursuant to this subsection shall be billed monthly.
- d.) The proceeds from the special sewer service charge, as aforesaid, shall be used exclusively for capital costs associated with any and all measures necessary to comply with a certain consent decree executed by and between The Metropolitan District and the United States Environmental Protection Agency in a case filed on



August 15, 2006 in the United States District court for the District of Connecticut captioned United States of America and State of Connecticut vs. The Metropolitan District of Hartford, Connecticut and a certain consent order executed by and between The Metropolitan District and the State of Connecticut relating to the reduction of nitrogen discharged from District Wastewater Treatment Facilities as required by State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Nitrogen General Permit issued December 21, 2005, as such decree and order may be amended from time to time, and specifically for payment of capital expenditures in connection with compliance with the decree or order, or payment of debt service on indebtedness of The District incurred for purposes of funding expenditures in connection with compliance with such decree and order. For this purpose “indebtedness” shall mean bonds, notes and other loans and obligations, including, without limitation, State of Connecticut Clean Water Fund loans and “Debt service” shall mean any obligation that would constitute “debt service” if incurred with respect to bonds issued under the special obligation indenture of trust, dated June 1, 2013, between The District and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, as the term “debt service” is used in such indenture, whether or not such obligation is incurred with respect to indebtedness under such indenture.

- e.) The special sewer service charge shall appear separately on the water bills of the District and shall be due and payable at the same time as the water bills are due and payable. Collection and payment of such charge shall be subject to and in accordance with sections S12m, S12n, and S12o of this part.