

## SEWER CONNECTION FEES - 2026

**SEWER CONNECTION FEES:** the below-listed sewer connection fees are a one-time fee required when property owners wish to connect new plumbing to the City’s existing sanitary sewer system. The City collects these fees to recover an equitable portion of the value of the city’s infrastructure required to meet the demand of the new system user and to ensure we can continue to protect public health and safeguard water quality by efficiently and effectively collecting, conveying, and treating our wastewater.

Sewer connection fees are *not* impact fees. These fees are calculated to be a fair and equitable share of the cost of the City’s sanitary sewer system. Sewer connections and their associated fees are regulated through Mount Vernon Municipal Code (MVMC Chapter 13.12). Following is general fee information for new buildings; see MVMC 13.12 for fee information on reconnections and additional direct connections.

SEWER CONNECTION FEES				
	SINGLE FAMILY	DUPLEX (PER UNIT)	MULTI-FAMILY (PER UNIT)	COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL
<b>SEWER CONNECTION</b>	\$9,275.00	\$6,955.00	\$4,636.00 <i>or</i> \$265.00 per fixture unit <sup>1</sup>	\$439.00 per fixture unit <sup>2</sup>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT FEE PER UNIT</b>	\$50.00	\$75.00 (for both units)	\$50.00 for 1 <sup>st</sup> unit & \$25.00 each add. unit Max of \$1,500.00	.01 per sf to 100,000 .005 per sf add. \$50.00 min-\$1,500 max See 13.12.030 for mixed use

<sup>1</sup> Fixture unit calculation can be used only if an applicant complies with MVMC 13.12.040(E)

<sup>2</sup> Fixture unit counts are completed by the City’s Building Official using the Uniform Plumbing Code

The Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) assigns fixture unit counts to each plumbing fixture in a building. Below is an example of how the sewer connection fee would be calculated for a 3,000 s.f. office building.

$$\text{Fee Calculation: } \underline{\$ 439.00} \times \underline{\text{Total Fixture Units}} + \underline{\$ \text{Administrative Fee}} = \underline{\$ \text{Sewer Connection Fee}}$$

The office building contains the following list of plumbing fixtures:

Fixture Type	Fixture Count (per UPC)
Bathroom with a toilet and hand sink	6
Drinking Fountain	.5
Kitchen sink	3
Dishwasher	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12.5</b>

$$\text{Fee Calculation: } \underline{\$ 439.00} \times \underline{12.5} + \underline{\$ 50.00} = \underline{\$ 5,537.50}$$

*The purpose of this handout is to assist the public in complying with detailed code and fee requirements. It is NOT a complete list of code or fee requirements and should NOT be used as a substitute for applicable laws and regulations. It is the responsibility of the owner/design professional to review all applicable codes.*