

GALLATIN GATEWAY COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO ESTABLISH NEW RATES AND CHARGES  
AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NEW RATES FOR GALLATIN  
GATEWAY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

WHEREAS on November 3, 2014 the Board of Directors of the Gallatin Gateway County Water and Sewer District ("the Board") enacted revised Rules and Regulations through Ordinance 14-01 pursuant to Section 7-13-2275, Montana Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS the revised Rules and Regulations ("the Rules and Regulations") of the Gallatin Gateway County Water and Sewer District ("the District") became effective December 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS the Rules and Regulations can be found at <http://www.gatewaywsd.com>; and

WHEREAS Section 601 of the revised Rules and Regulations of the District and Section 7-13-2275, Montana Code Annotated, authorize the Board to establish Rates, Fees and Charges to fund expenses of the District, to make principal and interest payments on the District's debt, to ensure the continued viability of the District's facilities, to ensure the District's facilities are sufficient to allow the District to comply with all applicable state and federal standards, and to ensure the District's facilities have sufficient capacity to serve current and projected demand;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Gallatin Gateway County Water and Sewer District, Gallatin County, Montana as follows:

1. Recitals. The Board has determined that the Gallatin Gateway County Water and Sewer District needs to establish charges for expenses related to processing applications for service, for future treatment plant investment, and for noncompliant properties pursuant to Sections 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 624 and an anticipated new Section 625 of the Rules and Regulations. The rates already established under Sections 619, 620, 621, 622 and 623 will not change.

2. Public Hearing. Section 7-13-2275, Montana Code Annotated, provides that prior to establishing such rates and charges the Board shall give notice and hold a public hearing. Pursuant to such authority, a public hearing for the District is called for and shall be held on the 6th day of February 2017, at 6:30 p.m., at the Gallatin Gateway School, 100 Mill St., in Gallatin Gateway, Montana.

3. Form of Notice. The notice of the public hearing shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON ESTABLISHMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE  
GALLATIN GATEWAY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors of the Gallatin Gateway County Water and Sewer District, Gallatin County, Montana, passed its Resolution No. 2017-01 of Intent to Establish New Rates and Charges and will meet on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., at the Gallatin Gateway School, 100 Mill

St., in Gallatin Gateway, Montana, for the purpose of holding a public hearing on establishing rates and charges for the District. The District Board intends to establish a Noncompliant Property Charge to generally enforce the District's ordinance requiring connection to the sewer system. The District Board also intends to establish various rates and charges to fund the expense of processing applications to connect to the sewer system. Under the proposed charges, a noncompliant property will be charged an amount roughly equivalent to the charge the property would pay if it were compliant with the connection ordinance. The new rates and charges will be effective upon completion of the wastewater project, which is anticipated to be August 2017. All persons interested may appear and be heard at said time and place of the hearing. For further information regarding the hearing or to review a copy of Resolution No. 2017-01 or Appendix B of the District's Rules and Regulations, contact Matt Donnelly, General Manager, by phone at 406-763-4258 or by email at gm@gatewaywsd.com.

Dated this 9th day of January 2017.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE GALLATIN GATEWAY COUNTY WATER AND  
SEWER DISTRICT

By: Ted Border  
Its President

4. Publication of Notice. The District Secretary shall cause the above Notice to be published in the Bozeman Daily Chronicle on January 21, 2017 and January 28, 2017 in accordance with Section 7-13-2275 (4)(b), MCA.

5. Mailing of Notice. The District Secretary shall mail the above Notice to all customers of the District and all persons who own property in the District at least 7 days prior to the date set for the hearing in accordance with Section 7-13-2275 (4)(c), MCA.

Passed and approved by the Board of Directors this 9th day of January 2017.

GALLATIN GATEWAY COUNTY WATER AND  
SEWER DISTRICT

  
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President

ATTEST:

By:   
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Secretary

The following Board members voted on the above Resolution as follows:

FOR

Ted Border  
David Sullivan  
Eric Amend  
Ashley Kroon

AGAINST

NONE

Abstain

NONE