

Stormwater Utility Fee

Effective July 1, 2005:

The stormwater fee was increased from \$4.00 to \$4.50 per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) per month (or from \$12.00 to \$13.50 per ERU per quarter).

Current Fee Structure

\$4.50 per ERU per month (or \$13.50 per ERU per quarter).

RESIDENTIAL properties are billed for only 1 ERU = \$4.50 per month, or \$13.50 per quarter, or \$54.00 per year.

NON-RESIDENTIAL properties are billed for their actual amount of impervious cover, converted to ERU's. (Note that 1 ERU = 1,877 SF of impervious cover.)

Example: The bill for a non-residential property with 10,000 ft² of impervious cover would be calculated as follows:

$10,000 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ divided by } 1,877 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ per ERU} = 5.3 \text{ ERUs}$

$5.3 \text{ ERUs} \times \$4.50/\text{ERU} = \$23.85 \text{ per month, } \$71.55 \text{ per quarter, or } \286.20 per year.

How are bills sent?

SMU fees are billed as a line item on the real estate tax statement. Real estate tax statements are issued quarterly, therefore the SMU fee on each statement is for the **previous** three months. Tax-exempt properties must pay the SMU fee because it is a utility fee rather than a tax.

Stormwater Utility Fee - What it PAYS for. . .

- Ditch and Pipe Maintenance in the City Right-of-Way
- Construction of Flood Control and Water Quality Structures
- Water Quality Monitoring and Testing
- Lake and Pond Management
- Illicit Discharge Investigation
- Enforcement of City Code and Program Standards
- Public Education
- Federally Mandated Reporting Requirements