

ORDINANCE # 2020-02  
INTRODUCED BY Verret  
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**ADOPTION** **INTRODUCTION**

**CITY OF COVINGTON  
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2020-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON  
AMENDING THE COVINGTON CODE OF ORDINANCES:  
CHAPTER 98 UTILITIES, ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL  
AND ARTICLE IV. RATES AND CHARGES**

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the City's Public Works Department does not have the necessary equipment to perform many sewer tie-ins due to the depth of the tie-in; and

**WHEREAS**, the Covington City Council has determined that sewer installation and tie-in should be performed by the property owner at the property owner's expense; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's sewer connection fee should be eliminated; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has held its public hearing in accordance with law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Covington, at its regular session convened, that Chapter 98 Utilities, Article I. In General, Sec. 98-2. Sewer or water tie-in or turn-on without city approval, shall be amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 98-2. Sewer or water tie-in or turn-on ~~without city approval.~~**

No person, firm or entity shall make a sewer or water tie-in or connection or shall turn on city water to a residential unit, business, school or hospital without the city's approval.

**All sewer tie-ins shall be performed by the property owner or his designee, and all cost and expense incident to the installation and connection of sewer lines and sewer tie-ins shall be borne by the property owner. The property owner shall indemnify the City of Covington from any loss or damage that may be directly or indirectly occasioned by the installation and tie-in of sewer lines to the city sewer main.**

1           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the City Council  
2 of the City of Covington, at its regular session convened, that Chapter 98 Utilities,  
3 Article IV. Rates and Charges, Sec. 98-126. Sewer and water connection charges,  
4 shall be amended to read as follows:

5 **Sec. 98-126. Sewer and water connection charges.**

6 (a) The following amount shall be paid to the city by all types of users for each  
7 new connection of sewer and water:

- 8           (1) Tap in fees (For all new first-time connections).  
9               a. Water (two inches and below \$500.00, above two inches  
10                 \$1500.00).  
11               b. Sewer (six inches and below \$500.00, above six inches  
12                 \$1000.00).  
13           (2) Water connection fee (if applicable – three-fourths inch \$865.00, one  
14                 inch \$930.00, two inches \$1075.00).  
15           (3) Boring (if applicable – \$300.00).  
16           ~~(4) Sewer connection fee (if applicable – \$500.00 for four inch line,~~  
17                 ~~\$650.00 for six inch line).~~  
18           ~~(5)~~(4) Street Cut (if applicable – \$800.00).  
19           ~~(6)~~(5) Cost of meter box (by size).  
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21 The provisions of Sec. 98–126(b), (c) and (d) are not amended.  
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23           **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that if any provision of this ordinance shall  
24 be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which  
25 can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of  
26 this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

27           **WHEREUPON**, this ordinance having been submitted in writing, having  
28 been read by title and adopted at a public meeting of the City Council of the City of  
29 Covington, State of Louisiana, was then submitted to an official vote as a whole, the  
30 vote thereon being as follows:

31           **MOVED FOR ADOPTION** by Verret, seconded by Ludwig.

32           **YEAS:**        6           **ABSENT:**        0  
33           **NAYS:**         0           **ABSTAIN:**       0

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

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6 LARRY ROLLING  
COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

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9 BONNIE D. CHAMPAGNE  
10 COUNCIL CLERK

11 Presented to the Mayor on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020, at 10:00 o'clock  
12 A.M.

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16 BONNIE D. CHAMPAGNE  
17 COUNCIL CLERK

18 Approved X or Vetoed \_\_\_ by the Mayor on this 15 day of January, 2020.

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24 MARK R. JOHNSON  
25 MAYOR

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27 Received from the Mayor on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020, at 1:00 o'clock  
28 P.M.

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32 BONNIE D. CHAMPAGNE  
33 COUNCIL CLERK

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