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Key Characteristics of SDCs

SDCs are one-time charges, not ongoing rates. Paid at the time of development. SDCs are available for water, wastewater, stormwater, transportation, and parks. SDCs are for capital only, in both their calculation and in their use. SDCs include both existing and future (planned) infrastructure cost components. SDCs are for "system" facilities, not "local" facilities.

Legal Framework for SDCs

ORS 223.297 - 314, known as the SDC Act, provides "a uniform framework for the imposition of system development charges by governmental units" and establishes "that the charges may be used only for capital improvements."



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The SDC Calculation

Reimbursement Fee

Eligible value of unused capacity in existing facilities



Growth in system demand

Improvement Fee

Eligible cost of planned capacity increasing facilities



Growth in system demand

System
Development
Charge



per unit of demand

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	2020	2040) Growth	Growth Share
Dry-weather flow, gallons per day	1,621,328	2,006,855	385,527	19.21%
Flow per EDU, gallons per day	115	115		
Implied EDUs	14,099	17,451	3,352	19.21%

Source: 2019 Wastewater System Master Plan, Table 5-6 (2020 flow); Table 5-12 (2040 flow); Table 5-13 (flow per EDU)



Improvement Fee Cost Basis

					SDC-Eligible
Project ID	Project Name	Timing	Cost	SDC Eligibility	Costs
CAP-1	Manhole Surveying	2023-2041	\$ 475,000	0.00%	\$ -
CAP-2	Pipe Upgrades	2029	819,000	20.01%	163,899
CAP-3	Flow Monitoring	2026-2041	124,000	19.21%	23,821
CAP-4	Harvey Street Improvements	2022	5,000	0.00%	-
C-1	Pipeline Rehabilitation and Replacement	2023-2041	7,239,000	0.00%	-
C-2	Pump Station Condition Assessments	2023	30,000	0.00%	-
C-3 thru 7	Pump Station Improvements	2026-2041	4,250,000	19.21%	816,447
C-8	Johnson Creek Siphon Inspection	2026	100,000	0.00%	-
C-9	Waverly South	2023	91,000	0.00%	-
C-10	Waverly Heights Sewer System Reconfiguration	2023-2025	3,404,000	0.00%	-
C-11	SCADA Design & Construction	2022	105,000	0.00%	-
C-12	Ardenwald North Improvements	2022	476,000	0.00%	-
C-13	Milwaukie/El Puente SRTS Improvements	2022-2023	522,000	0.00%	-
C-14	Logus Road & 40th Ave Improvements	2022-2023	149,000	0.00%	-
C-15	Wastewater System Improvements FY2023	2023	491,000	0.00%	-
C-16	International Way Improvements	2024	144,000	0.00%	-
C-17	North Milwaukie Improvements	2025	465,000	0.00%	-
C-18	SAFE & SSMP FY 2025 Improvements - Park/Lloyd/Stanley	2025	139,000	0.00%	-
C-19	Vehicle Purchases	2022-2024	752,000	0.00%	-
C-20	Lift Station Pump & SCADA Controls Replacement	2022-2025	200,000	0.00%	-
C-21	Wastewater Capital Maintenance Program	2022-2041	1,000,000	0.00%	-
R-1	S1 Island Pump Station Rebuild	2026-2041	-	0.00%	-
R-2	S3 Home & Monroe Pump Station Retrofit	2026-2041	-	0.00%	-
R-3	SS Brookside Pump Station Retrofit and Pump Upgrade	2026-2041		0.00%	-
R-4	Bolted Manholes	2027	13,000	0.00%	-
P-1	Wastewater System Master Plan Update	2026-2041	800,000	19.21%	153,684
		Total	\$ 21,793,000		\$ 1,157,851

Source: 2019 Wastewater System Master Plan, Table 10-1 (project list, timing, and cost); Water Systems Consulting (SDC eligibility)

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Original Cost of Sewer Pipes	\$	16,930,032
Outstanding Principal		964,578
Capacity Available through 2040	4	19.21%
Reimbursable Cost	\$	3,067,044

Source: City staff (original cost of pipes, outstanding principal); Water Systems Consulting (available capacity)



Unadjusted Improvement Fee Cost Basis	\$ 1,157,851
Improvement Fee Fund Balance	(708,495)
Improvement Fee Cost Basis	\$ 449,356
Unadjusted Reimbursement Fee Cost Basis	\$ 3,067,044
Reimbursement Fee Fund Balance	(20,061)
Reimbursement Fee Cost Basis	\$ 3,046,983

SDC Calculation

Cost Basis:		
Improvement Fee	\$	449,356
Reimbursement Fee		3,046,983
Compliance Costs		73,800
Total Cost Basis	\$	3,570,139
Growth in EDUs		3,352
Improvement Fee per EDU	\$	134
Reimbursement Fee per EDU		909
Compliance Fee per EDU		22
Total SDC per EDU	\$	1,065



	Calculated		
	EDUs		SDC
Single-Family Dwelling Unit	1.00	\$	1,065
Duplex, ADU (per dwelling Unit)	0.65	\$	692
Other* (per EDU)	1.00	\$	1,065

SDC Schedule (based on house size)

	Calculated		
	EDUs		SDC
< 500 sqft (use ADU rate)	0.60	\$	639
500-800 sqft	0.70	\$	745
800-1,799 sqft	0.90	\$	958
1,800-2,999 sqft	1.00	\$	1,065
3,000-3,799 sqft	1.10	\$	1,171
≥3,800 sqft	1.20	\$	1,278
Multi-family	0.80	\$	852
Accessory dwelling unit (ADU)	0.60	\$	639

- Thresholds are based on WES's expected schedule
 - Water Environment Services Rules and Regulations, March 2021 (Public Review Draft)
 - https://www.clackamas.us/wes/sanitary-and-stormwater-rules-and-standardsupdate



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Gladstone	13,758
Milwaukie (current)	9,389
Milwaukie (proposed)	9,185
Portland	7,235
Gresham	6,568
Beaverton	6,085
Tigard	6,085
Tualatin	6,085
Wilsonville	5,905
West Linn	4,243
Lake Oswego	3,052
Oregon City	2,516
Sherwood	859

Note that this includes WES's wastewater treatment SDC: \$8,120 per EDU

Thank you! Questions?

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