

2021-349 EXHIBIT A

923.01 USER CHARGES.

(a) All users in the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District shall be charged for sewage disposal services in accordance with the methodology contained in this chapter.

(b) ~~Effective April 1, 2015~~ January 1, 2022. Users whose water consumption is measured by meter readings provided to the County or whose sewage flows are metered shall pay the following monthly rates for all normal strength sewage or wastewater discharged into the County's sewage disposal system per the following schedule: ~~effective April 1, 2015:~~

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
User Charges – Metered Customers (\$ per 1000 gallons)*	
Residential, Governmental, Institutional	5.11
Commercial	5.70
Industrial	6.54

* Represents metered volumes at a plant or at a point where flow leaves the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District.

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
User Charges – Metered Customers (\$ per 100 cubic feet of water)	
Residential, Governmental, Institutional	6.67
Commercial	7.44
Industrial	8.52

User Charges – Metered Customers (\$ per 100 Cubic Feet of Water)				
Charge – Residential, Government, Institutional				
January 1, 2022	January 1, 2023	January 1, 2024	January 1, 2025	January 1, 2026
\$7.74	\$8.98	\$9.65	\$10.28	\$10.94
Charge – Commercial				
\$8.63	10.01	\$10.76	\$11.46	\$12.21
Charge - Industrial				
\$9.88	\$11.47	\$12.32	\$13.13	\$13.98

(c) ~~Effective April 1, 2015~~ January 1, 2022, except as otherwise specified in this section, users whose water consumption is not measured by meter readings provided to the County shall pay the following monthly flat rates per unit or benefit. The flat rate for residential customers shall be on a per unit basis. Under unique conditions, the Director may utilize a benefit basis charge for multi-family

residential uses. Industrial, commercial, governmental, and institutional users shall be charged on a per benefit basis, subject to a minimum charge of one (1) benefit, for all normal strength sewage or wastewater discharged into the County's sewage disposal system according to the Director's determination of flow:

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
User Charges – Flat Rate Customers (\$ per Month)	
Residential, Governmental, Institutional	56.03
Commercial	69.37
Industrial	79.59

<u>User Charges – Flat Rate Customers (\$ per Month)</u>				
<u>Charge – Residential (Per Residential Unit)</u>				
<u>January 1, 2022</u>	<u>January 1, 2023</u>	<u>January 1, 2024</u>	<u>January 1, 2025</u>	<u>January 1, 2026</u>
<u>\$56.03</u>	<u>\$56.03</u>	<u>\$60.23</u>	<u>\$64.15</u>	<u>\$68.32</u>
<u>Charge – Government & Institutional (Per Benefit)</u>				
<u>\$65.00</u>	<u>\$75.39</u>	<u>\$81.05</u>	<u>\$86.32</u>	<u>\$91.93</u>
<u>Charge – Commercial (Per Benefit)</u>				
<u>\$80.47</u>	<u>\$93.34</u>	<u>\$100.35</u>	<u>\$106.87</u>	<u>\$113.81</u>
<u>Charge – Industrial (Per Benefit)</u>				
<u>\$92.32</u>	<u>\$107.10</u>	<u>\$115.13</u>	<u>\$122.61</u>	<u>\$130.58</u>

(d) The Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services shall follow the sewage flow guidelines set forth by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's Greenbook, as amended, for estimating sewage flow gallons per day.

(e) The user charges shall be reviewed no less than biennially in accordance with applicable Federal regulations and adjusted, if necessary, to maintain the proportionate distribution of operation, maintenance and replacement costs among the user classes and to ~~insure~~ ensure that sufficient revenues are generated to pay for the operation, maintenance and replacement of the sewage disposal system. Annual User Charge Adjustment January 1, 2027 through January 1, 2031: All User charges are to be adjusted annually based on the percentage change in the U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) – Water and Sewerage Maintenance Series, published by the U.S. Department of Labor – Bureau of Labor Statistics, from August to August each year. The annual adjustment shall be no greater than four- and one-half percent (4.5%) and no less than zero percent (0%). The annual adjustment shall go into effect on January 1, 2027 through January 1, 2031.

(f) Fixed Income Citizen/Disabled Citizen/Senior Citizen Discount Programs.

(1) A discount of ten percent (10%) shall be deducted from the sewer bill for all qualified residential metered customers and thirty-five percent (35%) for all qualified residential flat rate customers. Effective January 1, 2024, all qualified residential

customers shall receive a discount of ten percent (10%). A “qualified residential customer” shall be defined as an individual who:

A. Qualifies and receives sewer services pursuant to Section 923.01 of this Chapter; and

B. Owns and occupies a “Homestead”, as defined in Section 323.151 of the Ohio Revised Code ("O.R.C."); and

C. Has a total household income equal to or less than \$3,000 plus twice the annual federal household poverty level for a household of two persons as determined each year by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Budget and Management; and

D. Has, as their primary source of total income, retirement pensions and/or survivor benefits from a former employee, labor union, or federal, state, or other governmental agency; or, disability income; or, receipts from annuities or insurance; or, income from Individual Retirement Account ("IRA") plans; or, income from Keogh plans; and

E. Qualifies as a permanently and totally eligible senior citizen or disabled person as defined in O.R.C. Sections 323.151 (B) or (C).

~~(2) — An additional discount of twenty five percent (25%) shall be deducted from the flat rate sewer bill of all qualified residential customers. A “qualified residential customer” under this program shall be defined as an individual who meets all of the following criteria:~~

~~A. Qualifies and receives flat rate sewer service under Section 923.01(e) of this Chapter; and~~

~~B. Owns and occupies a “homestead” as defined in O.R.C. Section 323.151(A); and~~

~~C. Has a total annual household income equal to or less than \$3,000 plus twice the annual federal household poverty level for a household of two (2) persons as determined each year by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Management and Budget; and~~

~~D. Has, as their primary source of total income, retirement pensions and/or survivor benefits from a former employee, labor union, federal, state, or other governmental agency; disability income; receipts from annuities or insurance; income from IRA plans; or income from Keogh plans; and~~

~~E. Qualifies as an eligible senior citizen or disabled person as defined in O.R.C. Sections 323.151(B) or (C).~~

~~(3)~~ (2) The Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services shall administer said "Discount Programs", including, but not limited to, generation and processing of applications and related forms, a determination and verification of necessary supporting documentation for qualification or continuing participation in any “Discount Program” and the establishment of policies and procedures reasonably necessary to conduct or administer any and all “Discount Programs” under this section.

~~(4)~~ (3) Upon approval for participation in any Discount Program under this section, the rate reduction shall be in effect for the next billing period commencing no sooner than fifteen (15) days after approval by the Director.

~~(5)~~ (4) Users ~~A user~~ approved for either the program shall furnish continuing evidence of eligibility at least once per year and at any other time upon written request by the Director.

~~(6)~~ (5) A user who ceases to qualify for eligibility to participate in one of the Discount Programs under this section shall notify the Director, in writing, within ten (10) business days.

(7) No user may be certified for participation in any Discount Program under this Section if such user has been convicted of violating O.R.C. Sections 323.153 (C) or (D), or convicted of violating O.R.C. Sections 6117.01 to 6117.45 or who is in violation of any of the provisions of Title Five-Sewers and Wastewater of these Ordinances.

(g) Request for conversion of residents to metered billing program. Any political subdivision in the County of Summit that is served by the County's sewer system and whose residents are billed on a flat rate may request that the County convert its residents to the County's metered billing program. Such a request shall be in the form of a certified resolution stating the desire of the political subdivision to have its residents converted from flat rate billing to the County's metered billing program and shall be submitted to the County Executive. No conversion from a flat rate to the metered billing program shall be effective except as provided in Section 923.01(g).

923.02 SURCHARGE.

(a) The maximum sewage strength for users is as follows:

	Maximum Sewage Strength		
	B.O.D.	C.O.D.	S.S.
Residential, governmental, institutional	250 mg/l	500 mg/l	300 mg/l
Commercial	300 mg/l	600 mg/l	400 mg/l
Industrial	400 mg/l	800 mg/l	500 mg/l

(b) All users discharging nonindustrial wastes which exceed the maximum strength for the user class shall be subject to a surcharge in the B.O.D. or C.O.D., and the S.S. components of their user charge rate equal in percentage to the amount by which the measured strengths exceed the assigned strengths. In the case of the B.O.D. and C.O.D. components, a user shall be charged only for the extra strength of whichever component has been exceeded by the greatest percent.

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
High Strength Surcharge (\$ per Pound)	
BOD (in excess of maximum allowable sewer strength)	0.6067
COD (in excess of maximum allowable sewer strength)	0.3034
TSS (in excess of maximum allowable sewer strength)	0.4005

(c) All users permitted by the Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services to discharge industrial wastes which exceed the concentrations or limits specified in

Sections 921.05, 921.06, 925.03 and subsection (a) hereof shall be subject to a surcharge in addition to any other charges and fees. The amount of the surcharge shall be determined on an individual basis by the Director to reflect the cost incurred by the County to treat the excess waste loads.

923.03 BILLING CHARGE.

Effective ~~April 1, 2015~~ January 1, 2022, the following billing charges shall be assessed:

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
Billing Charges (\$ per Period Bill)	
Flat Rate Customers	2.01
Metered Customers	4.80

<u>Charge and Customer Type</u>				
<u>Billing Charges (\$ per Period Bill)</u>				
<u>Flat Rate Customers</u>				
<u>January 1, 2022</u>	<u>January 1, 2023</u>	<u>January 1, 2024</u>	<u>January 1, 2025</u>	<u>January 1, 2026</u>
<u>\$3.18</u>	<u>\$3.25</u>	<u>\$3.31</u>	<u>\$3.38</u>	<u>\$3.44</u>
<u>Metered Customers</u>				
<u>\$5.30</u>	<u>\$5.41</u>	<u>\$5.51</u>	<u>\$5.62</u>	<u>\$5.74</u>

Any additional costs incurred due to fee charged for obtaining water meter readings will be in addition to the costs listed above and will be “passed through” at the actual cost. The billing charge and all “passed through” charges shall be stated as a separate line item on customer’s bill.

923.04 BILLING.

(a) The user charge, surcharge, industrial pretreatment charges, administrative fines and fees, established in this chapter shall be billed to the owner of the property monthly or quarterly and shall be payable by the due date specified on the billing statement. Current charges not paid by the due date shall be deemed delinquent and an additional charge of ten percent (10%) of the delinquent current charge shall be added each month to the amount due. A charge shall be added for all checks returned from financial institutions for nonsufficient funds equal to the actual cost incurred by the County.

(b) Delinquent charges may be certified to the County Auditor and placed on the real property tax list and duplicate against the property served by the sewer or water connection. All accounts certified to the County Auditor for collection shall be subject to a certification charge of ten percent (10%) of the delinquent amount which shall be added to the amount certified. The total charge shall be a lien on the property from the date it is placed on the real property tax list and duplicate by the Auditor and shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes.

(c) All connections of existing structures or newly constructed structures to the sanitary sewer system within the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District shall be billed for sewage treatment services beginning sixty (60) days from the date of final lateral sewer inspection.

923.05 TAP-IN FEE.

(a) All users in the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District shall pay a tap-in fee prior to connection to the sanitary sewer system.

(Ord. 2006-550. Adopted 12-18-06.)

(b) The applicable tap-in fee shall be charged for each gallon per day discharged to the sanitary sewer system in accordance with the flow estimation procedures specified in Section 923.01(d) or the minimum, per the following schedule:

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015 <u>January 1, 2022</u>
Tap In Fee (\$ per gallon per day)	
Customer's Contributing Flow to DOES WWTP's	8.18 <u>\$10.68</u>
Minimum Tap In Fee	3,270 <u>\$4,274</u>
Customer's Contributing Flow to Non- DOES WWTP's	4.91 <u>\$8.39</u>
Minimum Tap In Fee	1,960 <u>\$3,357</u>

Water consumption shall not be used to estimate sewage discharge for the purpose of calculating the tap-in fee unless no other method is available and provided that such water consumption is augmented to account for normal infiltration and inflow into the sewer system.

(c) If, at any time, a user's estimated sewage flow gallons per day exceeds, or is expected to exceed, an amount previously paid for under subsections (a) and (b) of this section by one or more benefits as defined in Section 920.02(a)(11) of this title, the user shall pay a fee, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, for all estimated sewage flow gallons equaling and exceeding one benefit.

(d) The Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services may establish procedures for three (3) tap-in fee extended payment programs enabling:

- (i) (1) Financially disadvantaged residents the option of placing the tap-in fee on their property tax duplicate, without interest, for a period not to exceed five (5) years; and
- (ii) (2) Charitable agencies and public institutions the option of placing the tap-in fee on their property tax duplicate, without interest, for a period not to exceed five (5) years; and
- (iii) (3) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) recipients the option of placing the tap-in fee on their property tax duplicate, without interest, for a period not to exceed twenty (20) years.

(e) All tap-in fees approved for the extended payment programs under subsection (c) of this section shall be certified to the County Auditor as provided by law and placed on the tax list and duplicate, without interest, and collected as other taxes, payable in semi-annual installments for:

- (i) (1) No more than five (5) years for financially disadvantaged residents and charitable agencies and public institutions; or
- (ii) (2) No more than twenty (20) years for CBDG recipients.

(f) The Director may establish procedures for a tap-in fee extended payment program enabling multiple residential, commercial and industrial users the option of placing part of their sewer tap-in fee on their property tax duplicate, without interest, for a period not to exceed two (2) years. The tap-in fee extended payment program shall apply to users who are charged a tap-in fee in excess of four (4) benefits, and shall require payment of one-third (1/3) of the amount at the time of application with

the outstanding balance being placed on the property tax duplicate. That part of the tap-in fee placed on the tax duplicate shall be certified to the County Auditor as provided by law and placed on the tax list and duplicate, without interest, and collected as other taxes are collected for no more than two (2) years, payable in equal semiannual installments.

(g) In accordance with Section 3 of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Summit and the Village of Clinton dated April 18, 2018, (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), which is incorporated herein as if fully restated, all users within the Clinton Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project Service Area shall pay a fixed tap-in fee prior to connecting to the County's Sanitary Sewer System. County Council shall establish the fixed tap-in fee at an amount equal to the final base assessment

923.06 PERMIT FEE.

(a) All users in the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District shall pay a permit fee prior to connecting a new private sewer lateral or making modifications to an existing private sewer lateral. The capping of a lateral will be exempt from paying a permit fee.

(b) The permit fee for a single family single-family residence shall be based on the following schedule and charged per connection. This amount shall be nonrefundable.

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
Permit Fee (\$ per Permit)	
Single Family Residence	166

<u>Charge & Customer Type</u>				
<u>Single-Family Permit Fee (\$ per Permit)</u>				
<u>January 1, 2022</u>	<u>January 1, 2023</u>	<u>January 1, 2024</u>	<u>January 1, 2025</u>	<u>January 1, 2026</u>
<u>\$207.00</u>	<u>\$211.00</u>	<u>\$215.00</u>	<u>\$220.00</u>	<u>\$224.00</u>

(c) The permit fee for non-single-family residences shall be based on the following schedule. The permit fee shall be nonrefundable. Each discharge from a structure shall constitute a connection for which a permit fee must be paid.

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
Permit Fee (\$ per Permit)	
Non Single Family Residence	
First 100 Feet of Lateral Inspected or Minimum Charge	257
Over 100 Feet (\$ Per 100 Feet)	128

<u>Charge & Customer Type</u>

<u>Non-Single-Family Permit Fee (\$ per Permit)</u>				
<u>First 100 Feet of Lateral Inspected or Minimum Charge</u>				
<u>January 1, 2022</u>	<u>January 1, 2023</u>	<u>January 1, 2024</u>	<u>January 1, 2025</u>	<u>January 1, 2026</u>
<u>\$320.00</u>	<u>\$326.00</u>	<u>\$333.00</u>	<u>\$340.00</u>	<u>\$346.00</u>
<u>Over 100 Feet (\$ Per 100 Feet)</u>				
<u>\$160.00</u>	<u>\$163.00</u>	<u>\$166.00</u>	<u>\$169.00</u>	<u>\$173.00</u>

(d) Sewer connection permits shall be valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of issuance. The Department of Sanitary Sewer Services shall not inspect or approve any sewer connection for which the permit has expired.

(e) A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to reissue an expired permit. In addition, the party seeking to have a permit reissued shall first pay an amount equal to any increase in the tap-in or permit fees which have occurred since the issuance of the original permit.

923.06A THE CLINTON SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT VOLUNTARY CONNECTION PROGRAM.

(a) For the purpose of this Chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning:

(1) "Clinton Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project" means the County's plan to construct the Clinton Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project ("Project") to remedy the pollution resulting from failing septic systems located through the Village of Clinton's corporate boundaries.

(2) "Agreement," means the Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Summit and the Village of Clinton dated April 18, 2018 related to the Project and which is incorporated herein as if fully restated.

(3) "Project Service Area" means the properties depicted on Exhibit B of the Agreement.

(b) In accordance with Section 4(C) of the Agreement, any property owner within the Project Service Area who voluntarily connects to the County's Sanitary Sewer System within two (2) years of the completion of construction of the Project may elect to have the following expenditures assessed against their property over a ten (10) year period at an interest rate not to exceed four percent (4%):

(1) The cost of abandoning the septic system serving the property owner's property; and

(2) The cost of installing a new private lateral connecting the property owner's property to the County's Sanitary Sewer System; and

(3) The cost of installing a private grinder pump on the private portion of the property owner's property.

(c) The Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services shall develop procedures to administer the voluntary connection program for property owners within the Service Area consistent with this

923.07 CONSTRUCTION SERVICE FEE.

(a) All persons constructing privately financed sanitary sewer projects within the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District shall pay a construction service fee for engineering, inspection and administrative functions performed by the County.

(b) The following construction service fees shall be paid at the time of the pre- construction conference after the Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services has approved the project for construction, which approval shall be valid for a period of one (1) year.

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
Construction Service Fees (\$ per Unit)	
Wastewater Treatment Plants (\$ per gallon per day of capacity)	0.81
Pump Stations (\$ per gallon per minute of capacity)	14.36
Sanitary Sewer Lines and Force Mains (\$ per linear foot)	3.80

Charge & Customer Type				
Construction Service Fees (\$ per Unit)				
<u>Wastewater Treatment Plants (\$ per gallon per day of capacity)</u>				
January 1, 2022	January 1, 2023	January 1, 2024	January 1, 2025	<u>January 1, 2026</u>
\$1.01	\$1.03	\$1.05	\$1.07	<u>\$1.09</u>
<u>Pump Stations (\$ per gallon per minute of capacity)</u>				
\$17.85	\$18.21	\$18.58	\$18.95	<u>\$19.33</u>
<u>Sanitary Sewer Lines and Force Mains (\$ per linear foot)</u>				
\$4.72	\$4.82	\$4.92	\$5.01	<u>\$5.11</u>

(c) Requests for overtime inspection services shall be approved by the Director and shall be billed at the rate of thirty-nine dollars and sixty cents (\$39.60) per hour. Overtime shall be accrued in one-half (½) hour increments only.

923.08 SEWER MAINTENANCE FEE.

(a) All properties in the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District served by a County sanitary sewer shall be charged a sewer maintenance fee in addition to any other charges and fees.

(b) The sewer maintenance fee shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

Charge and Customer Type	Effective April 1, 2015
Sewer Maintenance Fee (\$ per abutting front footage per year)	
All Customers	0.61
Minimum - all Customers	61.00

(c) Parcels that abut more than one (1) sanitary sewer shall be charged for sewer maintenance based on the shortest abutting sewer lines. If a parcel is split off from another parcel which fronts more than one sanitary sewer line in such a way that the split parcel is subjected to a long side maintenance fee, the Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services may determine that the split parcel shall be charged for the short side maintenance fee applicable to the original parcel.

(d) The sewer maintenance fee shall be certified to the County Auditor as provided by law and placed on the tax list and duplicate, without interest, and shall be collected as other taxes are collected.

923.09 INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT CHARGES; ADMINISTRATIVE FINES AND FEES.

(a) The Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services shall establish charges, administrative fines and fees for the County industrial pretreatment program. Fees for services provided by the County as part of the industrial pretreatment program shall be in the amount of a fee schedule provided by the Director as amended from time to time. Charges and administrative fines for violation and enforcement, levied by the Director, shall be in accordance with Chapters 921 Sewers Generally and 925 Industrial Pretreatment administered per the enforcement management system.

(b) Charges, administrative fines and fees may include:

(1) Charges and fees for monitoring, inspection and surveillance procedures including all costs associated with sampling and analyses;

(2) Charges and fees for permit applications;

(3) Charges and fees for filing appeals;

(4) Charges and fees for reviewing and investigating accidental discharge incidents;

(5) Charges and administrative fines for industrial pretreatment discharge violations;

(6) Charges and administrative fines for industrial pretreatment procedural and reporting violations;

(7) Charges and administrative fines for failure to comply with and provisions of Chapters 921 Sewers Generally and 925 Industrial Pretreatment, regulating industrial pretreatment;

(8) Charges and fees for reviewing plans and Ohio EPA Permit to Install (PTI) applications for the construction of new or modified facilities relating to industrial pretreatment; and

(9) Charges and administrative fines for being in a state of significant noncompliance as defined per ordinance.

923.10 SEWER LAYER REGISTRATION FEE.

All sewer layers installing sewer laterals within the Summit County Metropolitan Sewer District, shall pay an annual registration fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) if not registered for the prior year or thirty dollars (\$30.00) if registered for the prior year.

923.11 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION. (REPEALED)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Former Section 923.11 was repealed by Ordinance 2007-630.)

923.12 OTHER CHARGES.

(a) The County Executive, subject to the approval of County Council, is authorized to enter into agreements with other counties, cities and villages which establish the terms and conditions under which sanitary sewage and wastewater may be discharged into the County sewage system. Upon the expiration of any such agreements and until the execution of a new agreement, a noncontract charge of ten percent (10%) may be added by the Director of the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services to the charge for sewage treatment services, or the Director may elect to charge the user or users according to the rates contained in Section 923.01.

(b) The Director is authorized to enter into agreements with corporations, persons or other entities which establish terms and conditions under which sewage or wastewater of an unusual strength or character may be accepted and treated.

(c) The Director shall establish a summer sprinkling program for the months of June, July and August or the quarter closest to this period. The program will provide a ten percent (10%) discount to the residential metered and flat sewer rates during this specified period. This discount will not apply to customers using deduct or sprinkler meters.

923.13 ANNUAL NOTICE TO USER OF RATE AND TREATMENT CHARGES.

Each user shall be notified annually, in conjunction with a regular bill, of the rate and that portion of the user charges which are attributable to wastewater treatment services.

923.14 PROPERTY SELLER TO SUPPLY STATEMENT OF STATUS OF SEWER BILL.

No person, agent, firm or corporation shall sell or transfer by deed, land contract or otherwise any premises within the County of Summit which is supplied with County sewer services without furnishing the buyer or transferee prior to such sale or transfer, a statement from the Department of Sanitary Sewer Services setting forth the current status of the sewer account of the premises, and when an escrow account has been established, depositing in escrow prior to delivery of possession or transfer of title a statement from the buyer or transferee acknowledging the receipt of this document and accepting responsibility for all future sewer bills in accordance with these Codified Ordinances. Upon the title transfer, the buyer or transferee will be responsible for the payment of the delinquent amount owed for the sewer account of the premises and the County shall have the right to place a lien on the premises for the delinquent amount of the sewer account.

923.15 ESCROW AGENT NOT TO DISBURSE FUNDS WITHOUT STATEMENT.

No person, firm or corporation acting in the capacity of an escrow agent in any real estate transaction involving the sale or transfer of any premises situated in the County of Summit which is supplied with County sewer service shall disburse any funds unless the provisions of Section 923.14 have been met.

923.16 RIGHTS OF BUYER OR TRANSFEREE.

Nothing under this section shall bar the rights of a buyer or transferee to recover by civil suit from either the previous owner (seller or transferor), real estate agent or escrow agent the amount for sewer service supplied to the previous owner of the premises and paid by the buyer or transferee hereunder.