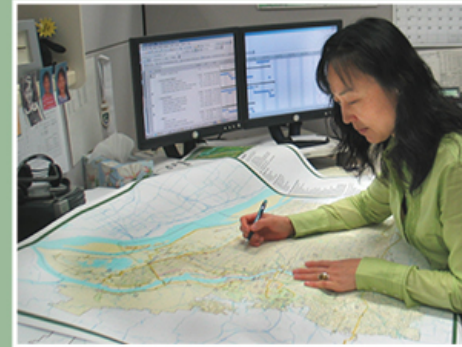


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## BES SDC Code Revisions

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# PCC 17.36 Sewer User Charges

Chapter 17.36 governs collection of sewer user charges by BES

- Connection charges, including system development charges (SDC)
- User charges for sanitary and stormwater service
- Special user charges (e.g., permit review fees, extra strength charges)

Update focuses on terms used for SDC calculations

- SDCs reimburse City ratepayers for new connections and increased use of the City's sewer system.
- The base unit charge for sanitary SDCs is the equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) which represents the system impact from a typical 3-person household.



# PCC 17.36 Sewer User Charges: Updates

- Narrow update to be consistent with:
  - Residential Infill Project (RIP)
  - Shelter to Housing Continuum (S2HC)
- Additional minor housekeeping edits
- Also making parallel updates to Administrative Rule ENB-4.05 System Development Charges (public comment closed on 6/14)
- Goal to be in effect by August 1st



# Residential

Updating terms to align with Residential Infill Project (RIP)

- Remove the use of the word “family” as in “single-family” and change to use the term “dwelling unit”.
- Streamline language around accessory dwelling units and multi-dwelling developments allowed under RIP.
- Do not anticipate changes to charges for these development types.
- Existing exemptions for ADUs and affordable housing do not change.



# Congregate housing facilities

- Adding SDC methodology for congregate housing facilities to align with S2HC
  - These are a housing type with separate living spaces and shared kitchens.
  - Will include group living, foster care, and dormitories.
- Charge based on conversion from drainage fixture units (DFU) to EDUs
  - Same methodology as commercial developments
- A change in the method for charging: senior living and microunits that are currently charged 0.6 EDU per unit.



# Changes Needed

- Changes are needed to support City housing goals:
  - RIP
  - S2HC
- Changes will make application of SDCs more transparent and easier to implement with the new zoning code.
- Request that Council approve the changes as proposed



# Questions

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