

**TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD
ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD, ESSEX
COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 17, SEWERS, OF THE
TOWNSHIP CODE**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Fairfield desires to amend the Sewers Ordinance section of the Township Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Fairfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. §17-5.1a, entitled “Fees and Charges”, of the Township Code of the Township of Fairfield is hereby amended to read as follows: (All additions are shown in **bold italics with underlines**. The deletions are shown as ~~**strikeovers in bold italics.**~~)

a. There is hereby established the following schedule of public sewer charges for the connection, inspection and use of the public sewer system:

RESIDENTIAL	Fee
Connection charge	\$1,100
Sewer connection inspection	\$125
Sewer use charge per quarter	\$186 <u>201</u>
NON-FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP	Fee
Connection charge	\$1,100
Sewer connection inspection	\$125
Sewer use charge per quarter	\$228 <u>246</u>
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL	Fee
Connection charge	\$1,100
Sewer connection inspection	\$125
Sewer use charge per quarter	\$186 <u>201</u>

1. The minimum charge per quarter shall be based upon a water usage of 15,000 gallons per quarter, with an additional charge of ~~\$18.50~~19.00 per 1,000 gallons for use in excess of 15,000 gallons per quarter. The charge for each quarter, however, shall be based upon the water usage for the first quarter of that particular year as indicated by the water meter reading; unless, in the opinion of the Municipal Engineer, water usage from another quarter or portion of quarter provides a better basis for setting the sewer use charge for the year in question.

SECTION 2. All actions of the Township taken prior to the date of adoption hereof contemplated by this Ordinance are hereby ratified and approved.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any remaining part thereof.

SECTION 4. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of the Township of Fairfield heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law, and all rate changes shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

William Galese, Mayor

ATTEST:

Denise D. Cafone, Municipal Clerk

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was submitted in writing at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Fairfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, held on January 27, 2026 introduced and read by title and passed first reading and that said Governing Body will further consider the same for second reading and final passage thereof at a meeting that is to be held on February 23, 2026 at 7:00pm at the Municipal Building, 230 Fairfield Road, Fairfield, New Jersey, at which time and place a public hearing will be held thereon by the Governing Body and all persons and citizens of interest shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

DENISE D. CAFONE, MUNICIPAL CLERK

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

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INTRODUCED BY: Councilman LaForgia
SECONDED BY: Council President McGlynn
PUBLISHED: February 5, 2026

ROLL CALL VOTE

GOVERNING BODY	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NOT VOTING
COUNCILPRESIDENT MICHAEL B MCGLYNN	X				
COUNCILMAN PETER CAMPISI	X				
COUNCILMAN JOHN LAFORGIA	X				
COUNCILMAN JOSEPH CIFELLI	X				
MAYOR WILLIAM GALESE	X				

2ND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING: February 23, 2026

ADOPTED BY:
SECONDED BY:
PUBLISHED:

ROLL CALL VOTE

GOVERNING BODY	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NOT VOTING
COUNCILPRESIDENT MICHAEL B. MCGLYNN					
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MAYOR WILLIAM GALESE					