

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY
OF ST.-CHARLES**

BY-LAW 2025-22

BEING A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH SEWAGE SERVICE RATES FOR 2025

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles has entered into an agreement with the Ontario Clean Water Agency for the operation of the St.-Charles Wastewater Treatment Facility;

AND WHEREAS Section 326 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, provides that a municipality may pass a By-Law for special services;

AND WHEREAS Section 391(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended provides that a municipality may pass a By-Law imposing fees and charges on any class of people;

AND WHEREAS under the said *Municipal Act*, as amended, provides that the Council of a local municipality must separately account for all sewer works financial activity by establishing a separate budget for the sewer work;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby enacts as follows:

1. Adoption of 2025 Estimates

- 1.1 The Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby adopts the estimates of all sums required during the year 2025 for the purposes of the supply of sewage services in the gross amount of \$176,290.00.

2. Due Dates

- 2.1 Two Installments: August 5th, 2025 and September 3rd, 2025.
- 2.2 Sewage service rates shall be due and payable on the final levy.

3. Sewage Service Classifications

- 3.1 The sewage service classifications are to be defined as follow:

Capital Cost Replacement Fee – this is a fee that is applied to all properties that have access to the Municipal Wastewater System, including vacant land. This cost is to help with the replacement of the Wastewater System.

Residential User Fee – This is charged per residential unit hooked up to the Municipal Wastewater System.

Commercial User Fee – This is charged to each commercial unit hooked up to the Municipal Wastewater System. This is at the rate of two (2) times the Residential User Fee.

½ Commercial User Fee – This is charged to any properties that have a commercial unit as well as a residential unit **in the same building**. This charge is in addition to their residential fee. This is at a rate of one-half (½) of the Commercial User Fee

Restaurant User Fee – This is charged to each property classified as a restaurant. This is at three (3) times the Residential User Fee.

Accommodation User Fee – This is charged to each property classified as a Hotel, Motel, or Bed & Breakfast. This is at four (4) times the rate of the Residential User Fee.

4. Rates

4.1 The sewage service rate shall be charged as follows:

| Sewer Code | Sewer Code Description | Cost per Code | Number of Households | Total Revenue | % of total Sewer Charges |
|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| CCRF | Capital Cost Replacement Fee | \$254.00 | 200 | \$50,800.00 | 28.82% |
| RUF | Residential User Fee | \$470.00 | 210 | \$98,700.00 | 55.99% |
| CUF | Commercial User Fee | 940 | 22 | \$20,680.00 | 11.73% |
| 1/2CUF | 1/2 Commercial User Fee | \$470.00 | 3 | \$1,410.00 | 0.80% |

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|---------------|------------------------|------------|---|---------------------|----------------|
| RESTUF | Restaurant User Fee | \$1,410.00 | 2 | \$2,820.00 | 1.60% |
| AUF | Accommodation User Fee | \$1,880.00 | 1 | \$1,880.00 | 1.07% |
| | | | | <u>\$176,290.00</u> | <u>100.00%</u> |

5. Late Payments

- 5.1 A late payment charge of 1.25% per month shall apply to all bills not paid on or before the established due date and shall be added on the first (1st) of the month thereafter until all arrears are paid.
6. THAT the administration and financing of sewer works are to be fully dedicated to specific users, therefore any year-end adjustments (surplus / deficit) shall be recorded against the Sewer Works Reserve.
7. THAT this By-Law come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.
8. THAT all other By-Laws inconsistent with this By-Law are hereby repealed.

**READ A FIRST TIME AND CONSIDERED READ A SECOND AND THIRD TIME
AND FINALLY PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL 2025.**

MAYOR

CLERK