CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-258

To Amend the Sewer and Drain By-law No. 06-026, and Implement the 2021 Fees and Charges

WHEREAS on February 15, 2006, the Council of the City of Hamilton passed By-law No. 06-026, known and referred to as “The Sewer and Drain By-law”, which by-law came into force on March 1, 2006;

AND WHEREAS sections 9, 10 and 391 of the Municipal Act, 2001, authorize a municipality to pass by-laws imposing fees or charges for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of the municipality and for the use of the municipality’s property, including property under its control;

AND WHEREAS on the 25th day of November, 2020, the Council of the City of Hamilton approved Item 2 of General Issues Committee Report 20-020 and authorized the 2021 fees and charges set out herein;

AND WHEREAS notice of the 2021 fees and charges set out herein has been given in accordance with the provisions of the City of Hamilton’s Public Notice Policy By-law No. 07-351;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Schedule “A” to By-law No. 06-026 is deleted and replaced with the new Schedule “A” attached to this by-law.

2. The fees and charges imposed by this by-law continue in force until amended, repealed or replaced (by by-law or by a resolution of the Council of the City of Hamilton confirmed by by-law) and for greater certainty this includes continuing in force after December 31, 2021 until amended, repealed or replaced.

3. This by-law comes into force on January 1, 2021.

PASSED this 16th day of December, 2020.

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F. Eisenberger    A. Holland
Mayor      City Clerk

Authority: Item 2, General Issues Committee Report 20-020 (FCS20073)
CM: December 16, 2020
Ward: City Wide
Bill No. 258
SCHEDULE "A"

SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES
Effective January 1, 2021

1. The following fees are payable for the sewer permit, which fees include a visual inspection of a Sewer Lateral - Private Portion or a Storm Sewer Lateral - Private Portion, or both, to confirm the Sewer Lateral - Private Portion or a Storm Sewer Lateral - Private Portion, or both, have been installed or repaired to the City of Hamilton specifications and in accordance with a sewer permit:
   
   (a) Regular Hours inspection $99.15
   
   (b) After Hours/Emergency inspection $212.33

2. In addition to the fee described in section 1 of this Schedule "A", the following sewer permit fee is payable for a CCTV inspection of a Main Sewer where determined by the General Manager of Public Works to be necessary to confirm that a Sewer Lateral - Private Portion or a Storm Sewer Lateral - Private Portion, or both, have been installed or repaired to the City of Hamilton specifications and in accordance with a sewer permit:

   Main Sewer inspection Cost plus 33% overhead

3. Sewer-related service calls on private property
   Note: Cost for service call to investigate a sewer related complaint where the issue is determined to be on private property. No charge for sewer complaints related to issue originating from the City’s sewer system. Missed appointments will be billed the corresponding service call rate.

   (a) Service Call - Regular Hours $88.15
   (b) Service Call - After Hours/Emergency $179.33

4. Missed or Cancelled Inspection Fee $70.86

5. Sewer Lateral Cleaning and Investigation Fees:

   (a) Complete Sewer Lateral Investigation – Regular Hours $414.03
   
   (b) Complete Sewer Lateral Investigation – After Hours $457.33
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(c) Partial Sewer Lateral Cleaning – Regular Hours $135.30
(d) Partial Sewer Lateral Cleaning – After Hours $189.43
(e) Abandoned Sewer Lateral Investigation- Regular Hours $216.49
(f) Abandoned Sewer Lateral Investigation – After Hours $270.61

6. Miscellaneous Wastewater Collection System repair – for Cost +
damage caused by a third party 33% overhead

7. Additional Labour Charges:
Fees in Section 1 and 3 of this Schedule A allow for maximum one hour of total labour. An additional labour charge for all services/calls that exceed that allotted labour time will be charged as follows:

½ hour additional labour – Wastewater Collection – Regular Hours $22.79
½ hour additional labour – Wastewater Collection – After Hours/Emergency $34.20

Notes to Schedule “A”:
1. Fees do not include HST which will be added where applicable.
2. "Regular Hours" means any working day, 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, excluding weekends, statutory and other public holidays or any other day on which the City has elected to be closed for business.
3. "After Hours" means outside Regular Hours Monday to Friday, a Saturday, Sunday, statutory and other public holiday or any other day on which the City has elected to be closed for business.
4. "Emergency" means any occurrence where staff and/or equipment must be re-deployed from previously assigned task(s) to respond to a time-sensitive request for services/call made under this By-law.
5. “Partial Sewer Lateral Cleaning” means services to relieve blockage(s) in the Sewer Lateral in order to temporarily reinstate sewer service.
6. “Complete Sewer Lateral Investigation” means services to complete a thorough cleaning and closed circuit television inspection of the Sewer Lateral.
7. “Abandoned Sewer Lateral Investigation” means services related to an unsuccessful attempt to access the Sewer Lateral for cleaning.