



## COMMISSION SUMMARY

**AGENDA CATEGORY: Finance Office**

**ITEM NUMBER:**

**DATE: December 16, 2020**

<b>SUBJECT</b>	2021 Front Foot Benefit and House Connection Rates
<b>SUMMARY</b>	Approval of Front Foot Benefit and House Connection rates to be effective January 1, 2021.
<b>SPECIAL COMMENTS</b>	Front Foot Benefit rates are charged to recover the costs of construction for smaller water and sewer lines for single family and health hazard applicants. House Connection rates are charged to recover the costs of construction for lines built from WSSC's water and sewer system to the applicant's property.
<b>CONTRACT NO./ REFERENCE NO.</b>	N/A
<b>COSTS</b>	N/A
<b>AMENDMENT/ CHANGE ORDER NO. AMOUNT</b>	N/A
<b>MBE PARTICIPATION</b>	N/A
<b>PRIOR STAFF/ COMMITTEE REVIEW</b>	Carla A. Reid, General Manager/CEO
<b>PRIOR STAFF/ COMMITTEE APPROVALS</b>	Joseph F. Beach, Deputy General Manager for Administration Patricia A. Colihan, Chief Financial Officer
<b>RECOMMENDATION TO COMMISSION</b>	Approval of Front Foot Benefit and House Connection rates as set forth in the accompanying memo.
<b>COMMISSION ACTION</b>	

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Interoffice Memorandum

TO: THE COMMISSION

THRU: CARLA A. REID  
GENERAL MANAGER/CEO DS  
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THRU: JOSEPH F. BEACH  
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER FOR ADMINISTRATION

THRU: PATRICIA A. COLIHAN  
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER DS  
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FROM: RONG ZHAO DS  
RZ Dec 4, 2020 | 1:29 PM EST  
ACCOUNTING DIVISION MANAGER

DATE: DECEMBER 4, 2020

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF 2021 FRONT FOOT BENEFIT AND HOUSE  
CONNECTION RATES

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Advertisements for calendar year 2021 front foot benefit rates and house connection charges were published, and a public hearing for proposed rates and charges was conducted on November 18, 2020. As of the date of this memorandum, the Commission has received no written testimony regarding these proposed rates. We recommend, and request Commission action as follows:

- 1) **Front foot benefit rates effective January 1, 2021:**  
We recommend that the Commission adopt the front foot benefit base per foot rates of \$4.00 for water and \$6.00 for sewer to be paid over a period of 30 years, as presented at the Commission's November 18, 2020 meeting.
- 2) **Residential small size house connection fees effective January 1, 2021:**  
We recommend that the Commission adopt water and sewer charges for unimproved and improved residential small size house connections as presented at the Commission's November 18, 2020 meeting. (Attachment 1).
- 3) **Right of way connection fees effective January 1, 2021:**  
We recommend that the Commission adopt charges as presented at the Commission's November 18, 2020 meeting. (Attachment 2).

Attachments:

- Attachment 1
- Attachment 2
- Public Hearing Certifications of Publications

# Proposed 2021 House Connection Charges

## Residential Small Size

	Unimproved	Improved
<b>Water - inside and outside meters</b>	( ) = Deferral Option Charges	
1"	\$2,250 (\$2,350)	\$7,850 (\$8,250)
1 1/2"	\$2,250 (\$2,350)	\$7,850 (\$8,250)
2"	\$3,250 (\$3,400)	\$8,250 (\$8,650)
<b>Sewer</b>		
1 1/4" - 1 1/2" pressure	\$3,500 (\$3,675)	\$14,500 (\$15,225)
4" - 6"	\$3,500 (\$3,675)	\$14,500 (\$15,225)

# Proposed 2021 House Connection Charges

## Right-of-Way (No changes from current rates)

Right-of-Way (connection installed by plumber)	Proposed Charges (2021)
Water	
1"	\$375
1 1/2"	\$375
2" residential	\$450
Sewer	
1 1/4" – 1 1/2" pressure	\$500
4" – 6"	\$500

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 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WSSC WATER      A virtual public hearing will be held November 18, 2020, at 2:30 P.M. to receive citizen testimony, both orally and in writing, pertaining to the following proposed rates and charges to become effective January 1, 2021. For instructions on how to view or participate virtually in the hearings, visit: [wsscwater.com/ffbhcc](http://wsscwater.com/ffbhcc) 1. FRONT FOOT BENEFIT RATES Base rate per foot, per year, 30 years: water \$4.00, sewer \$6.00. 2. HOUSE CONNECTION CHARGES

Residential Small Size

Unimproved      Improved Water #

inside and outside meters

( ) = Deferral Option Charges 1"

\$2,250 (\$2,350)	\$7,850 (\$8,250) 1 ½"
\$2,250 (\$2,350)	\$7,850 (\$8,250) 2"
\$3,250	
(\$3,400)	\$8,250 (\$8,650) Sewer 1 ¼" # 1 ½" pressure
\$3,500 (\$3,675)	\$14,500 (\$15,225) 4" # 6"
\$3,500 (\$3,675)	\$14,500

(\$15,225) Right-of-Way (Connection installed by plumber)

Proposed Charges (2021)

Water 1"

\$375 1 ½"

\$375 2" residential

\$450 Sewer 1 ¼" # 1 ½" pressure

\$500 4" # 6"

\$500 No changes are

proposed for the house connection charges and right of way permit fees except: Improved residential

small size water house connection (1" and 1 ½") charges are increased from \$7,750 per unit to \$7,850

per unit The list of current connection charges is available for review on WSSC Water's website at

[wsscwater.com](http://wsscwater.com) under Businesses/Permit Services/Fees & Charges. For additional information, please contact the Accounting Division at 301-206-8311.