



Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 77 pertaining to the Metropolitan Council Environment Services (MCES) Service Availability Charge (SAC) fee increases.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1

Section 77.07 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 77.07. - Service availability charges.

The Metropolitan Council Environment Services (MCES) Service Availability Charge (SAC) is a charge to local governments for the reserve capacity of the Metropolitan Disposal System (MDS). SAC has been levied since 1973 by MCES or its predecessor agencies for the new demand or increased volume of sanitary sewage use to the MDS. SAC policy and rates are set by the Metropolitan Council. Rules and policies are referenced to the current MCES SAC rules and updates.

To comply with MCES' method of charging local governing bodies for reserve capacity charges, the department of safety and inspections shall administer the collection, receipt, and distribution of a service availability charge to be collected from affected real property located within the city limits, which service availability charge shall be collected in addition to the sewer service charges established pursuant to section 77.02. The service availability charges shall apply to all building permits and sewer connection permits issued by the respective city departments. The service availability charges shall be collected in the manner set forth in the MCES SAC rules and updated including the assessment of a one hundred ~~thirty-five~~ seventy-five dollars (\$ ~~135.00~~) (\$175.00) administrative fee per application for projects involving the addition of 1-10 SAC units, ~~two~~ six hundred ~~seventy~~ dollars (\$~~270.00~~) (\$600.00) administrative fee per application for projects involving the addition of 11-30 SAC units, and ~~four~~ one thousand five hundred dollars (\$~~400.00~~) (\$1,500.00) administrative fee per application for projects involving the addition of thirty-one (31) or more SAC units to cover the cost to the city of administering the collection, receipt and distribution of SAC. Proceeds received from the service availability charge shall be used only to pay the city's costs for reserve capacity and for the purposes set forth in section 77.02 and the MCES SAC rules and updates.

SECTION 2

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days following its passage, approval and publication.

