

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE  
ORDINANCE NO. 781-2020**

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO, AMENDING CHAPTER 9.17 OF THE PARACHUTE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO WATER SERVICE TAP FEES AND SECTION 9.20.230 RELATED TO SEWER SERVICE TAP FEES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Parachute (“Parachute” or the “Town”) is a home-rule municipality organized pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and with the authority of the Parachute Home Rule Charter;

**WHEREAS**, the Town provides water service and sewer service (in conjunction with Battlement Mesa Metropolitan District) to Town residents as a public utility, and the Town levies water and sewer service tap fees in accordance with its adopted fee schedule;

**WHEREAS**, the Town wishes to amend the Code to more fully address payment of water and sewer tap fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that these changes are in the best interests of the Town.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO THAT:**

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. Chapter 9.17 of the Parachute Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows, with the addition of a new **Section 9.17.130 – Water Service Tap Fees.**

**9.17.130 Water Service Tap Fees.**

A. Any person desiring to connect and tap onto the Town’s water system shall be required to pay a water system tap fee in accordance with the provisions of this Article and the Town’s Fee Schedule contained in Appendix A. Notwithstanding the payment of fees pursuant to the provisions of this Article, tap connections to the Town water system shall at all times be subject to availability. Water system tap fees shall be nonrefundable.

B. Any proposed connection to the Town’s water system or related use outside of the Town’s incorporated limits must be approved by the Town in its sole discretion. Town Council may require a preapplication agreement or preannexation agreement for any water taps for use outside of the incorporated limits.

Section 3. Section 9.20.230 - Sewer Tap Fees of the Parachute Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows, with underlined text added and ~~strike through language deleted~~:

**9.20.230 Sewer Tap Fees.**

The fee for connection to the Town's sewer system shall be determined by the Town Manager based upon the following criteria:

A. All applications for sewer service must be preapproved by the Battlement Mesa Metropolitan District.

B. Any person desiring to connect and tap onto the Town's sewer system shall be required to pay a sewer system tap fee in accordance with the provisions of this Article and the Town's Fee Schedule contained in Appendix A. Notwithstanding the payment of fees pursuant to the provisions of this Article, tap connections to the Town sewer system shall at all times be subject to availability. Sewer system tap fees shall be nonrefundable. ~~The Town Manager will calculate a tap fee based upon the definition of "EQR" (equivalent residential unit) as determined by the Battlement Mesa Metropolitan District.~~

~~C. The tap fee for each EQR unit where both the sewer tap and all points of sewer use are located within the incorporated limits of the Town shall be as set forth in Appendix A of this code.~~

~~C. D. Should the Town Council approve an application for a sewer tap where either the tap or any point of the sewer use is located outside of the incorporated limits of the Town of Parachute, the fee shall be as set forth in Appendix A of this code. All other requirements of this chapter shall apply, and~~ Any proposed connection to the Town's sewer system or related use outside of the Town's incorporated limits must be approved by the Town its sole discretion. Town Council may require a preapplication agreement or preannexation agreement for any sewer taps for use outside of the incorporated limits.

~~E. All sewer tap revenues shall be placed in a capital improvement fund of the sewer enterprise fund. All newly purchased sewer taps must be placed in service within thirty (30) days after payment is made.~~

**INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, ADOPTED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY** by a vote of 4 to 0 of the Council of the Town of Parachute, Colorado at a regular meeting held at Town Hall in the Town of Parachute, Colorado, on the 16 day of January 2019 and approved by the Mayor on the 16 day of January 2019.

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO**

ATTEST:

*Lucy Cordova*  
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Lucy Cordova, Town Clerk



*Roy McClung*  
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Roy McClung, Mayor

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public notice is hereby given that an Ordinance entitled:

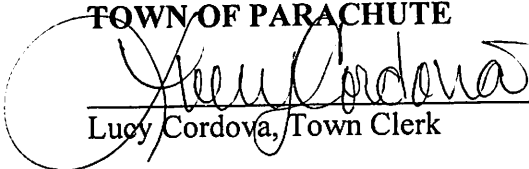
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was introduced before the Town Council on January 16, 2019; that a copy of said Ordinance is posted at Town Hall; and that the Ordinance was approved at a regular meeting of the Town Council held on January 16, 2019, and approved by the Mayor on January 16, 2019.

Copies of the adopted ordinance are available for inspection at the Town Hall, Parachute, Colorado and available on the internet at <http://www.parachutecolorado.com>.

Dated this 16 day of January, 2019.

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE**

  
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Lucy Cordova, Town Clerk