

ORD-3588

1 **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO THE**
2 **EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL UNIT (ERU) FEE**

3 SECTION AMENDED: § 32.5-2

4 WHEREAS, City Council held a public hearing on the proposed fee increase to provide for public
5 comment;

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7 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA:

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9 That Section 32.5-2 of the Code of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia is hereby amended and reordained
10 to read as follows:

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12 **Sec. 32.5-2. Definitions.**

13 The following words and terms used in this section shall have the following meanings:

14 (a) *Equivalent residential unit* or *ERU* means the equivalent impervious area of a single-family
15 residential developed property per dwelling unit located within the city based on the statistical
16 average horizontal impervious area of a single-family residence in the city. An equivalent
17 residential unit (ERU) equals two thousand two hundred sixty-nine (2,269) square feet of
18 impervious surface area.

19 (b) *ERU rate* means the utility fee charged on an equivalent residential unit, which shall be ~~forty five~~
20 ~~and eight tenth cents (\$0.458) per day, effective July 1, 2017; forty eight and three tenth cents~~
21 ~~(\$0.483) per day, effective July 1, 2019, fifty and eight tenth cents (\$0.508) per day, effective July~~
22 ~~1, 2020, fifty three and three tenth cents (\$0.533) per day, effective July 1, 2021, and fifty five~~
23 ~~and eight tenth cents (\$0.558) per day, effective July 1, 2022.~~ forty nine and three tenth cents
24 (\$0.493) per day, effective July 1, 2019, fifty two and eight tenth cents (\$0.528) per day, effective
25 July 1, 2020, fifty six and three tenth cents (\$0.563) per day, effective July 1, 2021, fifty nine and
26 eight tenth cents (\$0.598) per day, effective July 1, 2022, sixty three and three tenth cents
27 (\$0.633) per day, effective July 1, 2023 and sixty six and eight tenth cents (\$0.668), effective July
28 1, 2024.

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30 BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That the effective date of this ordinance shall be July 1, 2019.

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32 Adopted by the Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, on this 14th day of May, 2019.