

Interested in building an ADU?

HERE ARE A FEW THINGS TO CONSIDER BEFORE STARTING THE PROCESS:

- An ADU must contain a kitchen, bathroom, living space and place to sleep
- You can submit your own plans or use one of the [Pre-Designed ADU Plans found on our website](#)
- Your monthly utility bill will increase

HOW MUCH WILL MY MONTHLY UTILITY BILL INCREASE WITH AN ADU?

Four of your services will increase once the ADU final. These services are:

- **Municipal Service Tax**
This charge contains a dwelling unit component. Since your property is increasing the number of dwelling units, this charge increases accordingly. [Please visit the Utility Rates webpage for current rates.](#)
- **Public Safety Charge**
This charge contains a dwelling unit component. Since your property is increasing the number of dwelling units, this charge increases accordingly. [Please visit the Utility Rates webpage for current rates.](#)
- **Sanitation**
Sanitation is required for each dwelling unit. If the ADU remains vacant, the charge will be the “No Garbage Service” rate. If the ADU is occupied, you will need to set up service. [Please visit the Utility Rates webpage for current rates.](#)
- **Sewer**
This charge contains a dwelling unit component. Additionally, it changes the structure of your sewer rate. [Please visit the Utility Rates webpage for current rates.](#)

Example Utility Bill increase

- In the top figure to the right, the property had not yet received a Final Inspection, meaning this was their bill *before* additional charges.
- In the bottom figure to the right, all charges affected by the ADU have been increased. The amounts increased are as follows:
 - Municipal Service Tax
\$9.53 to \$18.62 (**\$9.09 increase**)
 - Public Safety Charge
\$7.49 to \$14.61 (**\$7.12 increase**)
 - Sanitation
\$56.13 to \$87.13 (**\$31.00 increase**)
 - Sewer
\$73.90 to \$85.75 (**\$11.85 increase**)
- ***In this instance, the monthly utility charges increased by \$59.06. All rates are subject to change.***

Service Billing Period:	
Service Period: 3/01/2025 to 3/31/2025	
	CHARGES
Solid Waste: (CURBSIDE - 95 GALLON)	\$ 58.80
(SFAM - NO YARD PILE)	\$ -2.67
Storm Drainage:	\$ 13.84
Sanitary Sewer:	\$ 73.90
Municipal Service Tax:	\$ 9.53
Public Safety Charge:	\$ 7.49

Service Billing Period:	
Service Period: 4/01/2025 to 4/30/2025	
	CHARGES
Solid Waste: (CURBSIDE - 95 GALLON)	\$ 58.80
(SFAM - NO YARD PILE)	\$ -2.67
(NO GARBAGE SERVICE)	\$ 31.00
Storm Drainage:	\$ 13.84
Sanitary Sewer:	\$ 85.75
Municipal Service Tax:	\$ 18.62
Public Safety Charge:	\$ 14.61