

## COBB COUNTY SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PETITION

1. Extension of service to septic tank neighborhoods will be in response to either: (a) a petition signed by at least 65% of property owners in a designated service area and at least 25% of the property owners in this area agree to connect to sewer as soon as it becomes available, or (b) an identified threat to the environment or public health.
2. The connection fee will be the sum of the Sewer Extension Fee of \$2,300.00 and the standard System Development Fee (SDF) of \$2,900.00 currently, for a total of \$5,200.00. There will be additional costs to the homeowner for re-plumbing the private property and connecting to the sewer tap provided by the County.
3. The \$5,200 fee will be discounted by \$600 if fee is paid in full (for a single payment of \$4,600). Or the \$5,200 initial charge may be financed by the Cobb County Water System (CCWS) with no interest over ten years (payable each month on the water bill). A lien is placed against the property for those choosing to finance the charge. Any outstanding balance must be paid off at the time a property is sold or ownership transferred.
4. Property owners are not required to pay any fees until they are ready to connect to the sewer; however, the fees stated herein are only guaranteed for six months after the sewer is available (i.e. construction complete). After six months, the fees in effect at the time of connection must be paid in order to connect.
5. Property owners that choose to sign the Petition and initial under Option 1 are not obligated to connect to sewer if their septic system is functioning properly. However, once sanitary sewer service becomes available, the County Board of Health may require property owners to connect to County sewer if a septic system is determined to be inadequate, requires repair, or other issues.
6. Typically, construction and installation of sanitary sewers occur within the County right-of-way and often in the middle of the street. Temporary road closures, barricades, construction equipment, staging of materials, and other construction related activities may cause a nuisance to the property owners. There may be temporary road plates, pavement patching, and other items installed until coordination for resurfacing with CDOT is complete.
7. **It appears from conceptual evaluations that easements will be required from one or more property owners on \_\_\_ Road. If you sign the petition, it is reasonably expected that you will also donate any easements that may be required should sewer encroach upon private property.** Generally, easements are designed in an area with the least amount of impact to the property owner. Costly or difficult easement acquisitions could delay or even jeopardize sewer service to the area.

### SEWER EXTENSION FEES

The following fees and payment options are available when signing the petition:

Sewer Extension Fee (one time):	\$2,300.00
System Development Fee (one time):	+ \$2,900.00
	= \$5,200.00
Discount, if all fees paid in full (one payment):	- \$600.00
<b>Total due →</b>	<b>= \$4,600.00</b>
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Sewer Extension Fee (one time):	\$2,300.00
System Development Fee (one time):	+ \$2,900.00
<b>Total due</b> (amount financed at 0% for up to ten years)*	<b>= \$5,200.00</b>

\*Financing adds about **\$43.33** per month to the regular CCWS water bill (10 years)

**THESE COSTS DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR MONTHLY SEWER SERVICE CHARGES AND DO NOT INCLUDE THE COSTS FOR YOUR PLUMBER TO CONNECT YOUR HOME TO THE SEWER TAP LEFT FOR YOUR PROPERTY**

Questions? Contact **Jake Murray** with Cobb County Water System at **770-419-6345** or [jake.murray@cobbcounty.org](mailto:jake.murray@cobbcounty.org)

**COBB COUNTY WATER SYSTEM ~ PETITION FOR SANITARY SEWER SERVICE**

				<b><u>INITIALS OF PROPERTY OWNER</u></b> (Choose one)	
<b><u>ADDRESS OF PROPERTY</u></b>	<b><u>PRINTED NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER</u></b>	<b><u>SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER</u></b> <small>(I have read and understand the Cobb County Sewer Extension Petition Policy Summary found on Page 1)</small>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>OPTION 1</u></b> I AM IN FAVOR OF EXTENDING SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO MY AREA. I MAY CONNECT AT A LATER TIME BUT NOT IMMEDIATELY	<b><u>OPTION 2</u></b> I AM IN FAVOR OF EXTENDING SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO MY AREA AND I WILL CONNECT IMMEDIATELY ONCE AVAILABLE