

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
BY-LAW NUMBER C-600  
RESPECTING REGIONAL CAPITAL COST CHARGES**

**GENERAL**

The Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality under the authority vested in it by Sections 79 and 81(1)(a) of the Municipal Government Act, enacts as follows:

**Number and Short Title**

1. This by-law may be cited as By-Law C-600, the Capital Cost Charges By-Law.

**Interpretation/Definitions**

2. In this By-Law
  - (a) **“Dwelling Unit”** means one or more habitable rooms designed, occupied or intended for use by one or more persons as an independent and separate housekeeping establishment in which cooking, sleeping and bathroom facilities are provided for the exclusive use of such persons.
  - (b) **“Single Detached Residential Building”** means a building that contains not more than one dwelling unit.
  - (c) **“Multiple Unit Residential Building”** means a building that contains more than one dwelling unit.
  - (d) **"Floor Space"** means the total area in square feet of all floors, measured along the outside surface of the exterior walls of the building, including the areas occupied by exterior and interior walls and partitions, all exits, service access spaces, vertical service spaces, and parking spaces within the exterior walls of the building but excluding non-habitable attic spaces and crawl spaces;
  - (e) **“New Building”** means a building that is newly constructed or which is moved onto a lot after coming into force of this By-Law.

### **Capital Cost Charge for Wastewater Treatment Facilities**

3. (1) A charge in the amount of \$880.00 shall be paid to HRM prior to the issuance of a building permit for all new single detached residential buildings that will be connected to municipal wastewater facilities.
  - (2) A charge in the amount of \$590.00 per dwelling unit shall be paid to HRM prior to the issuance of a building permit for all new multiple unit residential buildings that will be connected to municipal wastewater facilities.
  - (3) A charge at a rate of \$0.27 per square foot of floor space shall be paid to HRM prior to the issuance of a building permit for all other new buildings and building additions in serviced areas.
  - (4) When an un-serviced lot of land, occupied by a building, existed prior to the coming into force of this by-law, the charge shall be payable to HRM when the building is connected to municipal wastewater facilities.
  - (5) Buildings accessory to a residential use that contain facilities which can discharge effluent to the municipal wastewater facilities shall pay a charge at a rate of \$0.27 per square foot of floor space, payable to HRM when the building is connected to municipal wastewater facilities.
4. Notwithstanding Section (3), where a building has previously been connected to municipal wastewater facilities or the capital cost charge has been paid in respect of same, no charge shall be payable under this By-law where the building is rebuilt, replaced or repaired, if destroyed or damaged by fire or otherwise, including demolition for the purpose of renovation or redevelopment, if the building is substantially the same as it was before the destruction or damage and it is occupied by the same use.

### **Lien**

5. A charge or charges levied under this by-law shall constitute a lien against the property in respect of which the charge is levied and may be collected in the same manner and with the same remedies as provided for the collection of real property taxes.

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Mayor

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Municipal Clerk

I, Jan Gibson, Municipal Clerk of the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above noted by-law was passed at a meeting of Halifax Regional Council held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2007.

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Jan Gibson, Municipal Clerk

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