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This brochure is intended to be used as a **guide-line only** for estimating System Development Charges as a part of total project costs. Actual costs for your project may differ due to site specific requirements.

**It does not include information on other fees which may be due including planning review fees, engineering fees, building permit fees, water and sewer connection fees, reimbursement district fees and business licenses.**

Please contact the Parks & Community Development office at 541-450-6060 for information on SDC's specific to your project and information on other potential costs.

Who to contact at Community Development:

Our Planning Division can assist you with questions on our Parks and Transportation SDC's.

Our Building Permit Technician can assist with Water, Sewer and Storm Drain SDC questions and estimates.

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Visit our website at:  
[www.grantspassoregon.gov](http://www.grantspassoregon.gov)

Parks & Community Development Office  
is located at:

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Upstairs Room 201  
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526  
541-450-6060

Open 8 am – 5 pm Monday – Friday  
Building Counter Hours 8 – 10 M – F  
Planning Counter Hours 8 – 5 M – F

## Storm Drain System

Storm Water and Open Space SDC's were adopted by the City Council on February 4, 2004. At that time, two separate charges were created, one applying to all lands within the urban growth boundary, and one specifically limited to properties which fall within the Sand Creek Drainage Basin.

The Storm Water and Open Space SDC's are an incurred charge for the planning, acquisition and capital development of facilities to accommodate and control storm water runoff, directly associated open space, and water quality control facilities to clean surface water runoff prior to return to natural surface water conveyances.

Storm Drain SDC's are due and payable upon issuance of building permit for any new construction or expansion which creates additional residential units and any construction which expands or remodels a business building which includes an increase in impervious surface of 25% or more.

The Storm Drain and Open Space Plan SDC  
For residential and commercial development is  
**\$503.49 per development permit.**

The Sand Creek Drainage Basin Storm Drain SDC  
For residential and commercial development is **.34 per square foot of the lot or improvement.**

## What are SDCs?

The City of Grants Pass is committed to providing quality services to our community. As our community grows, old systems need to be updated and new systems must be built. System Development Charges are one way to fund those improvements.

System Development Charges (SDCs) are fees imposed upon new and expanding development within the City of Grants Pass and the urbanizing area that connects to or otherwise will use City services of the water system, sanitary sewer system, parks, streets and storm drainage.

The objective of SDCs is to charge new users an equitable share of the cost of services and to pay for improvements necessary as a result of increased development and demand on the City's infrastructure.

### SDC Fee Adoption & Adjustments

On July 17, 1991 the City of Grants Pass adopted an ordinance allowing the creation of system development charges. SDCs are now in place to fund the Water, Sewer, Parks, Storm Drain and Transportation Systems.

On January 2, 2002, the Council adopted a resolution establishing Cost of Living (COLA) Adjustments for SDCs.

The figures in this brochure reflect the fees for January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 only.

### For further assistance...

If you would like more information on System Development Charges call (541) 450-6060

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# SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES



**Fees Effective  
January 1, 2018 through  
December 31, 2018**

**This brochure is only a guideline for anticipating potential system charges for new development. These fees are under review and are likely to change in 2018.**

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## Water System

The Water SDC was first adopted by the City Council on August 21, 1991 and last amended on July 25, 2005. It is charged and payable for development at the time of permit to connect to the water system.

The method of calculating the Water SDC depends on what Water Pressure Zone service area the development is connecting to, as follows:

Water Pressure Zones 1, 2&3:  
(based on water meter size)

3/4" .....	\$2,934
1" .....	\$7,339
1-1/2" .....	\$14,681
2" .....	\$23,492

Water Pressure Zones 4, 5 & up:  
(based on water meter size)

3/4" .....	\$3,414
1" .....	\$8,538
1-1/2" .....	\$17,079
2" .....	\$27,328

Water meter size required for your project can vary and is site specific please contact our office for actual cost for your connection.

Per Municipal Code 3.11.400 All Residential Development. The water system development charge shall be the greater of the charge based on water meter size or the charge based on residential living units.

## Sewer System

The Sewer SDC was first adopted by the City Council on October 19, 1994 and last amended on July 25, 2005. The Sewer SDC is charged and payable for development at the time of permit to connect to the sewer system.

Sewer SDCs for residential use are based on Equivalent Residential Units (ERUs) as follows:

Single-family or Manufactured Home .....	\$3,102
Duplex .....	\$4,965

Sewer SDCs for commercial, public and quasi-public development are determined by the number of fixture units and strength of discharge. A worksheet is available to estimate the sewer SDC for individual projects.

### Redwood Sewer District

Properties located within the Redwood Sanitary Sewer Service District (RSSSD) are Subject to a different sewer SDC schedule, **\*and may be subject to additional assessment charges or eligible for credits.** *Please contact the Community Development office for an estimate of RSSSD charges.*

\*For typical new construction within the RSSSD, the following schedule applies:

Residential in Redwood Sewer District:

1 toilet .....	\$4,091	4 toilets .....	\$4,991
2 toilets .....	\$4,391	5 toilets .....	\$5,291
3 toilets .....	\$4,691		

Redwood Sewer SDCs for commercial, public and quasi-public development are determined by the number of fixtures units, strength of discharge and water meter size. A worksheet is available to estimate the sewer SDC for individual projects.

## Transportation

The Transportation SDC was adopted by the City Council on September 15, 1999. The Transportation SDC helps to pay for the expansion and capital development of the transportation system to accommodate and control motorized vehicular traffic, pedestrian traffic, and bicycle traffic.

In September 2011, the City Council adopted Ordinance 5546 which identifies the method of calculating the SDC's to be based on the Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation Report. Trips are calculated based on the Land Use and Title that best fits the Development as interpreted by the City. If the ITE Trip Generation Report includes multiple measure that can be used to determine average daily trip generation including area, the measure of square footage (area) will be used. The Director may consider an alternative trip calculation when a report is supplied by a licensed traffic engineer and said alternative is reviewed and approved by the City Engineer.

The Transportation SDC is due and payable at the time of building permit issuance for construction.

The City Council adopted Resolution 15-6338 to establish the current Transportation SDC trip rate. This rate is a 30% reduction from the previous rate.

**In certain cases, a credit may be applied towards the Transportation SDC for previous uses on the site. Please contact Planning for an estimate of the Transportation SDC's for your project.**

**Below is an example using the \$114.64/trip rate.**  
Single Family Residence  
Category: Single-family (9.57 trips/unit)  
1 unit x 9.57 trips/unit x \$114.64/trip = \$1097.10

## Parks

The City of Grants Pass has adopted two SDCs for Parks. The Parkland Acquisition SDC was adopted by the City Council on June 30, 1997. The SDC pays for the purchase of parkland, trails, and open space for the parks and recreation master plan. On December 18, 2006 the City Council adopted a Park Development SDC effective June 1, 2007. This SDC will help fund capital improvements and development of the park, trail and open space system.

Parks SDCs are due and payable upon issuance of a building permit for: any new construction or expansion which creates additional residential units; any construction which creates a new business building or enlarges a business building; or issuance of the first manufactured home placement permit granted upon an individual building lot.

The Parks SDCs for residential development is based on the number of units:  
Parkland Acquisition ..... \$475.74 per residence  
Park Development ..... \$382.13 per residence  
Total per unit \$857.87

The Parks SDCs for non-residential development is based upon the number of required parking spaces built to serve the development.  
Parkland Acquisition ..... \$43.56 per new parking space built  
Park Development ..... \$34.01 per new parking space built  
Total per parking space \$77.57

The City Council adopted Resolution 15-6338 to establish the Parks SDC rates. These rate is a 30% reduction from the previous rate.

***See other side for Storm Drain SDC Information***