

SEWER TIE-IN PROCESS

Step 1: City Notification to Residents

- City will send notice to residents after construction is complete.

You will be eligible for a wastewater credit for coming off the septic tank system up to 1 service unit which is equal to 3,000 square feet. If the home is over 3,000 square feet you will owe impact fees for any difference. 1 service unit =\$1,199.11.

Once you state that you have abandoned your septic tank on the WCR application, you will receive a credit for 1 service unit < 3,000sq.ft. Anything over 3,000 sq.ft., you will have to pay the difference. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

*It is required that a **Master Plumber** pull the permit for the tie in. You cannot pull it yourself.*

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Step 2: Resident's Responsibility

- Residents have **60 days** after notification from the City to apply for a sewer tap permit and pay any fee to the City for the permit including sewer impact fees if applicable. Residents can have impact fee reviewed for possible waiver. The sewer tap permit is valid for *six months*.
- Resident hires licensed plumber to acquire permits, build the homeowner's portion of the sewer and abandon the septic system as per TCEQ requirements and finally connecting to the new city sewer line.
- Disconnection from Septic Tank – City Inspection(TCEQ required) – Connection to the new city sewer is done same day to avoid any discontinuation in the service.

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Step 3: Actions Taken due to Non-Compliance to the Tie-In Deadlines

- Water service to the property may be terminated after notice and the opportunity for an administrative hearing as provided in Section 47-70 of City of Houston Code of Ordinances. A citation may be issued with a fine of up to \$2,000 per day.

APPROXIMATE FEES

- Please go to www.houstonpermittingcenter.org
 - Scroll down to PERMIT TYPE
 - Click on IMPACT FEE
- **Impact Fee=1 Service Unit is < 3,000 square feet**
- **WCR Letter Application Fee: \$87.55 (must state that you are abandoning your septic tank for eligible credit)**
- **Permit Fee: \$30**

APPROXIMATE CONNECTION COST

\$5,200

Approximate resident cost of connection from home clean out to City Right-of-Way (assume 200 linear feet (LF) at \$26 per LF for 4" line and incidentals)

\$300

Resident Permit for Connection to City ROW connection stub-out

+ \$1,500-\$6,500

Approximate resident cost of septic tank disconnect and Abandonment/Removal. Must comply with TCEQ requirements (assume 1 septic tank per resident)

\$7,000-\$12,000

= Approximate Total Cost to Residents