

**ORDINANCE NO. 25-06**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 25-02  
REGARDING SERVICE DISCONNECTIONS**

Adopted by the  
President and Board of Trustees  
of the  
Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District  
this 9th day of June, 2025

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and authority of the  
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District, Counties of Lake and McHenry, State of  
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**WHEREAS**, the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District (the “**District**”) is a sanitary district operating pursuant to the Sanitary District Act of 1917, 70 ILCS 2405/1 (the “**Act**”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Act, the District has the authority to regulate connections to and use of its sanitary sewer system (the “**District System**”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the District’s Ordinance No. 25-02 (the “**Sewer User Charge Ordinance**”), the District charges users of the District System (“**Sewer User Service Charges**”) to any premises that is connected to or is required to be connected to the District System (“**User**”); and

**WHEREAS**, notwithstanding the current requirement in Section 2.8 of the Sewer User Charge Ordinance, the District faces bookkeeping, enforcement, and other administrative challenges when premises connected to the District System are physically disconnected from the District System in the aftermath of a fire or other damage or for other reasons, often without notification to the District; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, sewer service lines that are disconnected from the District System face potential degradation over time if not used and maintained; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to streamline administrative procedures of the District and better ensure the continued maintenance of facilities connected to the District System, the District Board of Trustees (the “**District Board**”) has determined that it is in the best interests of the District and its customers and taxpayers to amend the Sewer User Charge Ordinance in order

to establish clearer policies and procedures with respect to disconnections from the District System;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NORTHERN MORAIN WASTEWATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT, COUNTIES OF LAKE AND McHENRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS,** as follows:

**SECTION ONE. Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are incorporated into and made a part of this Ordinance by reference.

**SECTION TWO. Amendment to Section Two of Ordinance No. 25-02.** Section Two, entitled "Sewer User Service Charges," of the Sewer User Charge Ordinance (as amended from time-to-time), by adding a new Section 2.9, which new Section 2.9 shall hereafter be and read as follows:

- 2.9 Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2.8 of this Ordinance, Premises that have been physically disconnected from the District's Sewage Works for any reason for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months (the "**Termination Date**") shall (i) be automatically deemed to be removed from the District Sewage Works, and (ii) no longer be required to pay, and shall not accumulate additional, Sewer User Service Charges following the Termination Date (the "**Automatic Service Termination**"); provided, however, that any Premises that have had an Automatic Service Termination shall not be authorized to re-establish a physical connection to the District's Sewage Works System until (a) the full then-current connection fee is paid pursuant to the District's most recent ordinance establishing connection charges (without credit for any connection fee previously paid with respect to such Premises or any portion thereof), and (b) any outstanding Sewer User Service Charges have been paid. Any such re-connection shall be subject to all the requirements that apply to any new connection to the District's Sewage Works.
- A. Users who have no outstanding Sewer User Service Charges may request an extension of time before their Premises are subject to an Automatic Service Termination. The District Manager is authorized to grant a reasonable extension to the Automatic Service Termination upon good cause shown.
- B. Properties that have been disconnected from the District System for any reason for a period of less than twelve (12) consecutive months, and which have no current outstanding Sewer User Service Charges, may request to be granted an early Automatic Service Termination. The District Manager is authorized to grant such request in writing, provided that the disconnection of the Premises in question has been inspected and found to be in compliance with all applicable requirements and standards. The owner or occupant of the Premises shall be required to pay all fees and


charges arising from such inspection. Thereafter, such Premises will be deemed to be subject to an Automatic Service Termination.

**SECTION THREE. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District, Counties of Lake and McHenry, State of Illinois, on this 9th day of June, 2025 by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 ( )  
Nays: 0 ( )  
Abstain: 0 ( )  
Absent: 0 ( )

Approved this 9th Day of June, 2025.

  
Kenneth A. Michaels, Jr., President  
Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District

ATTEST:  
  
Elisa Fisher, Clerk  
Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District

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