

THE GREAT LIFE NEWS

City of Gretna's
Monthly Newsletter



Omaha CSO Sewer Rate Update

The City of Gretna has been notified by the City of Omaha that their sewer rates will be increasing each year for the next five years. The proposed sewer rates will increase 5.25% annually starting January 1, 2019 and continuing through 2023. The increase is tied to the \$2.0 billion combined sewer over flow (CSO) improvements that the City of Omaha has been designing and constructing since 2007. The City of Omaha has been adjusting their rates annually in order to finance the federally mandated CSO improvements. The City of Gretna is one of several communities in the metro area that connects to and utilizes the City of Omaha's Missouri River wastewater treatment plant.

The Omaha sewer rate increases that have been passed on to the City of Gretna's users over the past five years have ranged from 5.5% to 10.4%. If the City were to pass on just the 5.25% City of Omaha rate increase next January, the impact on the current monthly bill would be as follows:



Current Sewer Rate:	Based on 8300 gallons
Inside City Limits	\$38.02/mo.
Outside City Limits	\$58.75/mo.

Proposed Sewer Rate:	Based on 8300 gallons
Inside City Limits	\$39.59/mo.
Outside City Limits	\$61.22/mo.

The City of Gretna annually reviews the operation and maintenance (O&M) expenses associated with the sewer system utility. Any increases in the O&M would need to be reflected in any adjustment to the City sewer rates in addition to the City of Omaha increase.

You can FRIEND us at "City of Gretna, Nebraska"

You will receive notices on job openings, the City Calendar, and recent notices that we also post on our website.



Paving Continues

The paving projects in Gretna continue. The weather hasn't been cooperative, but we are hoping that it improves as our contractor continues pouring concrete.

The City asks that you check our website at www.gretnane.org for updated progress on the paving projects. You can also "Friend" the City of Gretna, Nebraska and receive updates on your Facebook Page.

Gretna Days

Will Be Here Soon!

July 26th – July 29th

Please visit Gretnadays.com
for a schedule of events
and more information



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Fences, Decks, Storage Sheds and Roofs

When do I need to get a permit and what is required?

Fences: You will need to fill out an application, bring a surveyor's certificate and a site plan of where you want to place the fence. There are rules with regards to heights, types of fences, and placements/setbacks from property lines or right-of-ways.

Decks: You will need to fill out an application, bring a site plan of where you want to place the deck and bring a drawing of the new or additions to the existing deck. The City is currently using the DCA 6 code for decks based on the 2012 building codes.

Storage Sheds: You will need to fill out an application, bring a site plan of where you want to place the building, a surveyor's certificate to determine setbacks from property lines and a plan of the proposed shed. Sheds less than 80 square feet will not require a permit, but if greater than 80 square feet they will require a permit. All sheds will need to be attached to the ground so they can withstand a 90 mph wind event.



Roofing Repairs/Replacement: If you have a damaged roof from a storm or a roof that has come to the end of its useful life, Gretna's building department staff wants you to know when a permit is required. If you are replacing the shingles and membrane alone, then no permit is required. However, if you are repairing or replacing more than 32 square feet of roof decking, a permit will be required to complete the roof project. The permit may be obtained by coming to City Hall and filling out an application.

The City of Gretna building department advises that if you have storm damage to check the credentials of anyone you hire to replace your roof. The City does not have a policy for licensing roofing contractors; so do your due diligence.

Any specific questions, please contact the building department at 402-332-3336 ext. 209