## ROGUE VALLEY SEWER SERVICES JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

## **ORDINANCE NO. 16-03**

## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ROGUE VALLEY SEWER SERVICES CODE TO CHANGE THE RESIDENTIAL TENANT BILLING RULES

WHEREAS, Rogue Valley Sewer Services first codified its major resolutions and ordinances in 2005, and

WHEREAS, the code has been amended by ordinance from time to time, and

WHERAS, Section 2.05.050 of the Code identifies the property owner as the responsible party for sewer bills, but allows owners to request the bills be sent to tenants, and

WHEREAS, the tenant billing rules create an unnecessary administrative burden on RVSS,

NOW BE IT ORDAINED that Section 2.05.050 of the RVSS Code be amended to read as follows:

## 2.05.050 Property owner responsibility.

Every owner of property within RVSS is responsible for payment of charges under this title, including without limitation charges created by tenants or other persons lawfully in possession of the property. RVSS will not recognize any attempt to transfer such responsibility.

RVSS will continue to bill tenants for commercial accounts. As a courtesy, RVSS will also continue to bill tenants for residential accounts for which owners have requested tenant billing prior to August 19, 2016, until current tenant no longer resides at the property or the property changes ownership, whichever occurs first.

If the property owner does not provide RVSS with an address for mailing bills, RVSS may use the mailing address for tax statements shown on the records of the county assessor and/or county tax collector. [Ord. 07-01, 2007.]

ADOPTED BY THE Board of Directors of Rogue Valley Sewer Services at its Regular Meeting held June 15, 2016

ROGUE VALLEY SEWER SERVICES

Robert Dunn, Chairman

**Board of Directors** 

COUNTERSIGNED:

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