

nection charge in installments unless said applicant has first submitted written evidence satisfactory to the Controller that said applicant cannot obtain private financing. Any of such installments may be prepaid at any time.

(h) Such installments, and the interest thereon, shall constitute liens on the property charged until paid and any such installment not paid within sixty (60) days of its billing date shall, at the option of the Controller, cause the entire unpaid balance to be immediately due and payable. The lien of such unpaid installments shall be subordinate only to the lien of State and County taxes and special benefit assessments and payment thereof shall be enforced at the same time and in the same manner as such taxes and assessments. Upon the institution of any foreclosure or tax sale proceedings or title transfer by deed as a result of sale, with respect to a property subject to a lien for such installments, the unpaid balance thereof shall become immediately due and payable.

SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 17-606 (g) and (h) of said Code, Title, and Subtitle be, and they are hereby repealed, and new Sections 17-606 (g) and (h) be, and they are hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the Sections repealed, to read as follows:

Section 17-606

(g) Except in the case of existing structures, the wastewater connection charge shall be paid in full at the time application for connection is made. With respect to existing single-family dwelling units, the user connection charge shall be paid in full upon the date application for connection is made, or at the option of the applicant, on or before the expiration of one (1) year from such date, bearing interest on the unpaid balance at a rate to be determined by the Controller predicated upon the then current rate on invested County funds. The capital connection charge for existing structures may likewise be so paid in full on date of application or, at his option, the applicant may elect to pay the sum of the user connection charge and the capital connection charge in five (5) equal consecutive annual installments, or in sixty (60) monthly installments, bearing interest on the combined unpaid balance at a rate to be determined by the Controller predicated upon the then current rate on invested County funds. Annual installments to be billed and payable on each annual anniversary of the date of application for connection, or if monthly installments were elected by the applicant, monthly installments are due and payable each month beginning one (1) month from the date of application for connection, provided that no applicant owning other than existing single-family dwelling units may pay the capital connection charge in installments unless said applicant has first submitted written evidence satisfactory to the Controller that said applicant cannot obtain private financing. Any of such installments may be prepaid at any time.

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