



# Town of Smithfield Sewer Authority

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## **GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR SEWER EXTENSION BY PETITION**

1. Any sewer extension petition must be signed by **ALL** property owners for which the requested sewers may service and must indicate agreement or disagreement with the petition.
2. A minimum of sixty seven percent (67%) of property owners affected by this petition must **AGREE** to the terms of the sewer petition before it can be forwarded to the Town Council for review.
3. All costs associated with an approved Petition will initially be funded by the Town of Smithfield. Property owners receiving sewers by Petition will be assessed the costs associated with the sewer project and be required to repay the Town over a period of time at a fixed annual interest rate to be determined by the Finance Director. An estimated assessment schedule for repayment will be provided by the Sewer Authority in a second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Petition upon completion of the terms of the initial petition.
4. Assessments will be coordinated through the Finance Department and applied to the respective property owner(s) upon completion of the sewer extension. Please note that **ALL** property owners which have been provided sewer service will be assessed equally regardless of their position with the Petition.
5. The sewer extension covered in this Petition includes the sewer main within the roadway and service laterals from the sewer main to the front property line of each resident receiving sewers. This petition does not cover any work or costs associated with individual connections between the house and the sewer lateral at the property line.  
Individual costs, outside the Town assessment, may be identified as, but not limited to; the abandonment of your former cesspool or septic system, purchase and installation of a gravity connection or an E-One® Grinder Pump, or any other work on private property to accommodate the service connection from the house to the lateral provided at the property line.
6. If the total estimated costs for the sewer extension petition exceeds the original Petition estimate during the design or construction bidding phase, a revised Petition will be sent to the affected residents for further approval. Again, sixty seven percent (67%) approval is required.
7. In accordance with the Town of Smithfield Sewer Ordinance, residents will be required to connect to the public sewer system within 30 days of completion. Consideration may be given for connection requirements from December to April. Vacant properties are exempt from this requirement but are required to abide by the terms and conditions of the assessment charge.