

ORDINANCE-3807

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO THE
EQUIVALENT RESIDENTIAL UNIT (ERU) FEE**

SECTION AMENDED: § 32.5-2

WHEREAS, City Council held a public hearing on the proposed fee increase to provide for public comment;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA:

That Section 32.5-2 of the Code of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia is hereby amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 32.5-2. Definitions.

The following words and terms used in this section shall have the following meanings:

- (a) *Equivalent residential unit* or *ERU* means the equivalent impervious area of a single-family residential developed property per dwelling unit located within the city based on the statistical average horizontal impervious area of a single-family residence in the city. An equivalent residential unit (ERU) equals two thousand two hundred sixty-nine (2,269) square feet of impervious surface area.
- (b) *ERU rate* means the utility fee charged on an equivalent residential unit, which shall be ~~forty-nine and three-tenth cents (\$0.493) per day, effective July 1, 2019, fifty-two and eight-tenth cents (\$0.528) per day, effective July 1, 2028, fifty-six and three-tenth cents (\$0.563) per day, effective July 1, 2029, fifty-nine and eight-tenth cents (\$0.598) per day, effective July 1, 2030, sixty-three and three-tenth cents (\$0.633) per day, effective July 1, 2031 and sixty-six and eight-tenth cents (\$0.668), effective July 1, 2032~~ fifty-eight and two-tenths cents (\$0.582) per day, effective July 1, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED: That the effective date of this ordinance shall be July 1, 2025.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, on this 13 day of May, 2025.