

ORDINANCE 3515

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO WATER/SEWER SYSTEM CUSTOMER RATES, PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN SAID RATES, CONFERRING "QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZEN" STATUS ON RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS REQUIRING HOME KIDNEY DIALYSIS TREATMENT AND AMENDING CHAPTER 15.24 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. Table 15.24.070 of Section 15.24.070 of the Kirkland Municipal Code, as last amended by Ordinance 3444, which establishes the monthly sewer charge required to be paid to the City by customers of the Kirkland Sewer System is further amended to read as follows:

Table 15.24.070

Customer Class	Rate
a. Single-family residential	[\$26.57] <u>28.72</u>
b. Multifamily residential	
(1) Basic charge	\$1.00
PLUS	
(2) Water consumption charge	[\$3.46] <u>3.75</u> per 100 cubic feet of water consumed
	But not less than
(3) Minimum consumption charge	[\$27.68] <u>30.00</u>
c. All other customers, including commercial	
(1) Basic charge	\$1.00
PLUS	

(2) Water consumption charge \$~~[3.46]~~ 3.75 per 100 cubic feet of water consumed

But not less than

(3) Minimum consumption charge \$~~[27.68]~~ 30.00

Section 2. Section 15.24.100 of the Kirkland Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

15.24.100 Qualified senior citizen rate.

(a) The water and wastewater user rates to be charged to a qualified low-income senior citizen single family residential customer shall be:

(1) Water.

(A) Fifty percent of the basic charge (includes two hundred cubic feet of water consumed) as set forth in Table 15.24.020.

(B) Water consumption charge as set forth in Table 15.24.024.

(2) Sewer. Seventy-five percent of the single-family residential rate set forth in Table 15.24.070.

(b) For the purposes of this section, "qualified low-income senior citizen" means a person who meets the following qualifications:

(1) Resides in a single-family residential unit;

(2) Customer and spouse, if married, must be sixty-two years of age or older; and

(3) Gross income received by customer and spouse, if married, shall not exceed (from all sources of income), as to either single persons or married persons as the case may be, the annual low income index generated by the county for use in federal housing and community development block grant programs in the county.†

(c) ~~(4)~~ Proof of qualification, including verification of gross income level, shall be

made by affidavit of qualification signed under oath by the senior citizen customer and then filed with the city. The affidavit of qualification form shall be furnished by the city. The city, in its discretion, may also require the senior citizen customer to provide copies of his or her Social Security Benefits Statement and Federal Income Tax Return for the previous year. In addition, the City, in its discretion, may require any customer paying the qualified senior citizen rate to produce updated proof of qualification at any time in accordance with the provisions of this subsection. A customer paying the qualified senior citizen rate must promptly notify the City if the customer no longer meets the criteria for receiving the qualified senior citizen rate.

(d) ~~(5)~~ A single-family residential customer who is either disabled or blind, according to Social Security criteria, and who also meets the qualifications of subparagraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (b) of this section shall for the purposes of this section be a qualified senior citizen customer.

(e) ~~(6)~~ A single-family residential customer who requires home kidney dialysis treatment, as certified by a recognized kidney center, and who also meets the qualifications of subparagraphs (1) and (3) of subsection (b) of this section shall for the purposes of this section be a qualified senior citizen customer.

Section 3. Effective date for new rates: The monthly service and consumption rates for water and sewer customers established in this ordinance shall go into effect and become the rates to be charged as of December 1, 1995 provided, however, that the monthly consumption rates for water and sewer customers and the monthly service rates for multifamily customers billed on the City of Kirkland billing cycles number 2, number 4, and number 5 shall go into effect January 1, 1996.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication, as required by law.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular, open meeting this 5th day of December, 1995.

Signed in authentication thereof this 5th day of December, 1995.

Paul Russell
MAYOR

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City Clerk

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