

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO SERVICE RATES OF THE SURFACE WATER UTILITY.

The City Council of the City of Kirkland do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 15.56.020 of the Kirkland Municipal Code, which establishes the monthly stormwater utility service rates required to be paid to the City by property owners of the City of Kirkland, is amended to read as follows:

15.56.020 Monthly storm water utility service rates.

The monthly storm water utility rates are based on the impervious surface area.

(1) Single-Family Residential Parcels. The average impervious area for a single-family residence is two thousand six hundred square feet. This is based on the measurement of over three hundred parcels. This value is referred to as an equivalent service unit (ESU). The single-family service charge shall be equivalent to one ESU and shall be a flat rate of ~~three~~ five dollars (\$5.00).

(2) All Other Customers, Including Commercial and Multifamily Residential. The service charge for all classes other than single-family residences will be based on the number of ESUs. The actual measured impervious area of each individual site will be divided by two thousand six hundred square feet to determine the number of ESUs of the individual site. The computed rate shall not be less than that for one ESU. The storm water utility service rate for these customers shall be ~~three~~ five dollars (\$5.00) dollars/ESU.

(3) Late Fees. All fees and charges arising under this chapter which are past due or delinquent shall be charged a late fee of eight percent per annum.

Section 2. Section 15.56.040 of the Kirkland Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

15.56.040 Qualified senior citizen rate.

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

(1) Storm Water Service Fee.

(A) Fifty percent of the basic charge per ESU as set forth in Section 15.56.020(A).

(b) For the purposes of this section,

"qualified low-income senior citizen" means a person that has been determined by the King County assessor to be qualified for a low income senior citizen property tax exemption authorized under RCW 84.36.381 as currently written or hereafter amended. ~~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) — 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) — A single family residential customer who is either disabled or blind, according to Social Security criteria, and who also meets the qualification 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. The new rates as set forth in this ordinance shall go into effect and shall become the rates to be charged as of January 1, 2000.

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 16th day of November, 1999.

Signed in authentication thereof this 16th day of November, 1999.

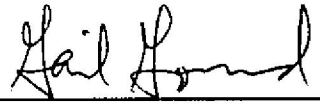

MAYOR

Attest:



City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



City Attorney
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