

ORDINANCE 3993

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AMENDING SECTION 15.14.050 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE ADDING A SERVICE FEE FOR SPECIAL WATER METER READS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Kirkland has from time to time established fees for various services, applications and permits by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, upon request from Title companies, Escrow companies and owners, the City will provide them with special water meter readings for final billings relating to property transactions occurring in the City of Kirkland; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing these special water meter readings should be paid by those making the request and not shared by all the rate payers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that assessing a fee in the amount of \$40 for a special water meter reading is reasonable based on the actual cost of providing these services;

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 15.14.050 of the Kirkland Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

**15.14.050 Fees for special services rendered.**

In addition to all other user rates and service connection fees required to be paid to the city, the following special service fees are established and shall be paid by the owner of the property served:

(1) Customer Requested Service Shutoff. A water service shutoff or disconnect made at the request of the owner or occupant of the premises served:

(A) When shutoff may be made by the city during regular business hours, thirty dollars;

(B) When shutoff can only be made by the city during nonbusiness hours, seventy-five dollars;

(2) Water Service Shut-Off or Turn-On for Unpaid User Bill. A water service shutoff or disconnect for nonpayment of delinquent water, sewer or refuse bill as authorized by Section 15.20.020, forty dollars within normal business hours, seventy-five dollars if during nonbusiness hours.

(3) Service Calls. When a service call is made at the request of the owner or occupant of the premises for assistance in shutting off the water line to help locate and/or repair a water line leak, no charge will be assessed if the broken

water line was not caused by the owner or occupant of the premises. However, a charge of twenty dollars shall be made only when it is determined that the location or cause of such water line leak is not within the city-owned water main and it was caused by the owner or occupant of the premises. The foregoing fees when incurred shall be added to the next customer billing as provided in Section 15.20.050.

(4) Special Water Meter Reading. A reading of a customers' water meter, at the request of the owner, title or escrow company, occurring on any day other than the day the City has established as the property's regular scheduled water meter reading, forty dollars.

Section 2. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Section 3. Effective date for the Special Water Meter Reading Fees: the fee for special water meter reading herein adopted shall go into effect as of June 1, 2005.


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 open meeting this 3rd day of May, 2005.

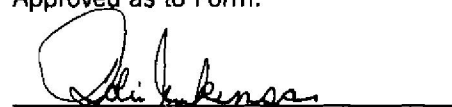
Signed in authentication thereof this 3rd day of May, 2005.

  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

  
City Attorney  
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