ORDINANCE O-4953

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AMENDING SECTION 15.56.020 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE ANNUAL SURFACE WATER UTILITY SERVICE RATES FOR 2027 AND 2028.

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

Section 1. Section 15.56.020 of the Kirkland Municipal Code, as last amended by Ordinance No. O-4886 §1 (2024), is hereby amended to read as follows, with new rates shown under each applicable year and with new text shown in underline and deleted text shown in ~~strikethrough~~:

15.56.020 ~~Monthly~~ Annual surface water utility service rates.

The ~~monthly~~ annual surface 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 as stated below in subsection (4).

(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 surface water utility service rate for these customers shall be per each ESU as stated below in subsection (4).

(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.

(4) Annual rates.

2026 rates, to be effective January 1, 2026:

Single-Family Residential Parcels: a flat rate of twenty-three dollars and eight cents.

All other Customers, including Commercial and Multifamily Residential: twenty-three dollars and eight cents per each ESU.

2027 rates, to be effective January 1, 2027:

Single-Family Residential Parcels: a flat rate of two-hundred-ninety-three dollars and thirty cents.

All other Customers, including Commercial and Multifamily Residential: two-hundred-ninety-three dollars and thirty cents per each ESU.

2028 rates, to be effective January 1, 2028:

Single-Family Residential Parcels: a flat rate of three-hundred-ten dollars and sixty-one cents.

All other Customers, including Commercial and Multifamily Residential: three-hundred-ten dollars and sixty-one cents per each ESU.

Section 2. *Effective Dates of Rates.*

A. The surface water utility rates set forth in Ordinance No. O-4886 (2024), which is amended by this ordinance, shall remain in force and effect until the new rates set forth in this ordinance go into effect.

B. The 2027 rates established in this ordinance shall go into effect and become the rates to be charged as of January 1, 2027.

C. The 2028 rates established in this ordinance shall go into effect and become the rates to be charged as of January 1, 2028.

Section 3. 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 4. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication in the summary form attached to the original of this ordinance and by this reference approved by the City Council.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 20th day of October, 2026.

Signed in authentication thereof this 20th day of October, 2026.

Kelli Curtis, Mayor

Attest:

Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk

Publication Date: October 26, 2026

Approved as to Form:

Darcey Eilers, City Attorney

PUBLICATION SUMMARY
OF ORDINANCE NO. O-4953

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SECTION 1. Amends Section 15.56.020 of the Kirkland Municipal Code related to annual surface water utility service rates.

SECTION 2. Provides an effective date for the rates.

SECTION 3. Provides a severability clause for the ordinance.

SECTION 4. Authorizes publication of the ordinance by summary and establishes the effective date as five days after publication of summary.

The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed without charge to any person upon request made to the City Clerk for the City of Kirkland. The Ordinance was passed by the Kirkland City Council at its meeting on the 20th day of October, 2026.

I certify that the foregoing is a summary of Ordinance O-4953 approved by the Kirkland City Council for summary publication.

Anastasiya Warhol

Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk