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ORDINANCE NO. 2015-02

SUBJECT: Water and Storm Utility Rates and Utility Discount Program

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Nicole Stephens

City Clerk

January 30, 2015

Date

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF POULSBO, WASHINGTON RELATING TO THE MUNICIPAL WATER, WASTEWATER, AND STORMWATER UTILITIES; AMENDING CHAPTERS 3.12 ENTITLED "UTILITIES-SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS, RATES, FEES AND CHARGES FOR CERTAIN UTILITIES", AND 13.70 ENTITLED "ASSESSMENTS, RATES, FEES AND CHARGES", PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 3.12 and 13.70 of the Poulsbo Municipal Code establish a schedule of water, wastewater, and stormwater charges for all utility customers, and

WHEREAS, the service rate schedule and fees must be designed to reflect the true cost of the delivery of service, and

WHEREAS, the existing charges do not reflect the true costs of providing service, and

WHEREAS, there is a need to adjust the rates to reflect the true cost of service, NOW
THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POULSBO, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amend. Section 3.12.100 entitled "Utilities-Schedule of Assessments, Rates, Fees and Charges for Certain Utilities", and those sections or subsections of Chapter 13.70 entitled "Assessments, Rates, Fees and Charges" set forth below are hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 3.12.100 Utilities—Schedule of assessments, rates, fees and charges for certain utility services.

A. General Facility Fees.

1. Water. The general facility fee for water shall be as follows:

a. Four thousand two hundred twenty seven dollars (\$4,227) per equivalent residential unit.

C. Connection Fees/Meter Fees (Including Sales Tax).

1. Property Owner Installed Services (Contractor). The connection/meter fees for property owner installed services are as follows:

3/4-inch meter	\$155
1-inch meter	\$220
1-1/2-inch meter	\$560
2-inch meter	\$785

Meters larger than two inches will be provided by the owner. The fees set forth in this subsection are set at the amount necessary to recover actual purchase costs effective February 1, 2015. The fees will be automatically adjusted to recover actual costs as purchase costs increase in the future without the necessity of amending this subsection.

D. Service Rates—Water.

1. Water Service Rates. Water service rates are established as follows:

WATER								
BASE CHARGE								
Customer Class	Meter Size							
	3/4"	1"	1-1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"
Single-family residential	\$14.13	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low income senior	\$9.89	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Multifamily	\$14.52	\$32.49	\$62.08	\$98.34	\$201.13	\$309.56	\$609.25	\$968.36
Commercial	\$15.06	\$33.81	\$64.75	\$102.59	\$209.59	\$322.83	\$635.72	\$1010.73
Irrigation	\$11.73	\$25.48	\$55.27	\$75.95	\$156.32	\$239.55	\$469.22	\$744.34
Outside city	\$21.20	\$47.23	\$90.16	\$142.75	\$292.16	\$449.46	\$884.10	\$1404.93

COMMODITY CHARGE			
Customer Class	Winter	Summer Block 1 0—1,000 cf	Summer Block 2 >1,000 cf
Single-family residential	\$1.98/hcf	\$1.98/hcf	\$3.08/hcf

Low income senior	\$1.98/hcf	\$1.98/hcf	\$3.08/hcf
Multifamily	\$1.66/hcf	\$2.51/hcf	\$2.51/hcf
Commercial	\$1.66/hcf	\$2.51/hcf	\$2.51/hcf
Irrigation	\$1.66/hcf	\$2.51/hcf	\$2.51/hcf
Outside city	\$2.51/hcf	\$3.68/hcf	\$3.68/hcf

Summer Block Rate = June 1st to September 30th

4. Construction Meter Rates. The rate for a construction-related hydrant connection is hereby established as fifty dollars per month rental fee plus commodity charges of three dollars per hundred cubic feet of water used. In addition, a refundable deposit of one thousand two hundred dollars will be required, which will be forfeited if the meter is not returned to public works. The monthly commodity charge is subject to annual increase by CPI-U per 13.70.520. The monthly rental fee and deposit are not subject to the CPI-U increase defined in 13.70.520.

E. Service Rates—Wastewater.

1. Wastewater Service Rates. The following monthly wastewater service rates are established:

WASTEWATER

BASE CHARGE								
Customer Class	Meter Size							
	3/4"	1"	1-1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"
Single-family residential	\$47.59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low income senior	\$22.30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Multifamily	\$50.38	\$76.59	\$119.55	\$172.77	\$328.73	\$487.60	\$925.23	\$1,449.33
Commercial	\$50.38	\$76.59	\$119.55	\$172.77	\$328.73	\$487.60	\$925.23	\$1,449.33
Outside city residential	\$70.99	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Outside city commercial	\$75.59	\$114.89	\$179.34	\$259.15	\$493.12	\$731.38	\$1,387.85	\$2,173.96

Base charge shall include four hundred cubic feet of consumption.

COMMODITY CHARGE

Customer Class	
Single-family residential	\$6.25/hcf
Low income senior	\$6.18/hcf
Multifamily	\$6.93/hcf
Commercial	\$6.93/hcf
Outside city residential	\$9.30/hcf
Outside city commercial	\$10.42/hcf

4. Wastewater Service Penalty (Nonconnected Services). The monthly wastewater service penalty for nonconnected services is as follows:

Within 200 feet of system \$41.43 per month per unit

F. Service Rates—Stormwater. The following monthly stormwater service rates are established on or after February 1, 2015:

Single-family residential	\$16.43/month
Low Income Senior	\$9.86/month
All other accounts	\$16.43/billable ISU/month

CHAPTER 13.70 ASSESSMENTS, RATES, FEES AND CHARGES

13.70.510 Water Service Rates

F. Low Income Seniors and Disabled Citizens.

2. For the purposes of this section, "low income senior citizen" means a person who has attained the age of 65 years and whose total income from all sources, including that of his or her spouse, does not exceed \$30,000 annually. For purposes of this section, "low income disabled citizen" means a person whose total income from all sources, including that of his or her spouse, does not exceed 125% of the U.S. Census Department poverty threshold, as published annually in February, and who is (1) a person qualifying for special parking privileges under RCW 46.16.381(1)(a) through (f); or (2) a blind person as defined in RCW 74.18.020; or (3) a disabled, handicapped, or incapacitated person as defined under any other state or federal program.

3. All persons claiming the discount provided for in this section shall first be required to file an application with the city of Poulsbo finance department to initiate the reduction. The application shall be on forms prescribed by the finance director and shall provide information by which the finance director may verify the applicant's eligibility to participate. Applicants shall be required to submit such additional information as may be required by the finance director to verify eligibility. In order to stay eligible for the program, an applicant must re-certify their eligibility every twelve months. If the city determines that the applicant is ineligible for the reduction, the applicant will be notified by the city.

13.70.610 Wastewater Service Rates

E. Low Income Seniors and Disabled Citizens.

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13.70.710 Stormwater Service Rates

E. Low Income Seniors and Disabled Citizens.

1. Low income senior citizens and low income disabled citizens who live in a residence served directly by water and/or sewer facilities of the city of Poulsbo and who pay water, sewer, and storm utility bills directly to the city may qualify for a discount.

2. For the purposes of this section, "low income senior citizen" means a person who has attained the age of 65 years and whose total income from all sources, including that of his or her spouse, does not exceed \$30,000 annually. For purposes of this section, "low income disabled citizen" means a person whose total income from all sources, including that of his or her spouse, does not exceed 125% of the U.S. Census Department poverty threshold, as published annually in February, and who is (1) a person qualifying for special parking privileges under RCW 46.16.381(1)(a) through (f); or (2) a blind person as defined in RCW 74.18.020; or (3) a disabled, handicapped, or incapacitated person as defined under any other state or federal program.

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4. If an applicant moves from the residence to which the service is provided or otherwise becomes ineligible for the reduced rate, the applicant shall be required to notify the finance department immediately.

5. If false information is submitted to the city in connection with any application for a reduced utility rate, the applicant will automatically become ineligible to receive any future discounts and any discounts or reductions already given shall be fully repaid to the city, together with a penalty in the amount of one hundred percent of the repayment amount. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies the city may have for the giving of false information.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or

unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on February 1, 2015 and shall apply to all service rendered on or after such date.

APPROVED:



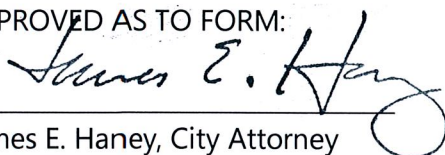
Rebecca Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Nicole Stephens, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



James E. Haney, City Attorney

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 01/07/2015
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ORDINANCE NO. 2015-02

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2015-02
of the City of Poulsbo, Washington

On the 14th day of January, 2015, the City Council of the City of Poulsbo, passed Ordinance No. 2015-02. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this 14th day of January, 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Nicole Stephens", is written over a horizontal line.

CITY CLERK NICOLE M. STEPHENS