

# **AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET**

## **Business of the City Council City of Kelso, Washington**

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**SUBJECT TITLE: (1<sup>st</sup> READING) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING SECTIONS 13.10.050, 13.10.110 AND ADDING SECTION 13.10.115 OF THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY AND ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL RECOVERY CHARGE FOR CONNECTION TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE UTILITY.**

**Agenda Item:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dept. of Origin:** \_\_\_\_\_ City Manager \_\_\_\_\_

**For Agenda of:** October 7, 2014

**Originator:** Steve Taylor, City Manager

**City Attorney:** **Janean Parker**

**City Manager:** **Steve Taylor**

**PRESENTED BY:**

Steve Taylor

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**Agenda Item Attachments:**

Proposed Ordinance (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) Amending Chapter 13.10 KMC Stormwater Utility

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

The rate study conducted by FCS Group for the Stormwater (Drainage) Utility recommended establishing a capital recovery charge for those parcels moving from an undeveloped to a developed state resulting in their connection to the stormwater system. Capital recovery charges are currently assessed on new development for the water and sewer utilities. Council provided direction to staff to prepare an ordinance for consideration of the recommended capital recovery charge.

The attached ordinance amends several sections of Chapter 13.10 KMC Stormwater Utility and authorizes the assessment and collection of the charge. An "Equivalent Service Unit" is defined as an area of 2,500 square feet of impervious surface which is typically associated with the average impervious footprint of a single family residence. This "ESU" will be used to calculate the capital recovery charge for new non-residential development. Detached single family residences and manufactured homes are deemed to contain one (1) ESU.

The ESU base charge will be included in the stormwater utility rate ordinance that is being placed before Council on 1<sup>st</sup> reading at the October 7<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

According to the Utility Rate Section of the AWC Tax and User Fee Survey covering data from 2012, the following cities reported having a stormwater capital recovery (or system development) charge:

Algona	Bremerton	Ferndale	Lacey	Renton
Anacortes	Buckley	Friday Harbor	Leavenworth	Sammamish
Auburn	Burlington	Gig Harbor	Lynden	Stanwood
Battle Ground	Des Moines	Granite Falls	Okanogan	Sumas
Bellingham	DuPont	Issaquah	Olympia	Sumner
Black Diamond	Duvall	Kent	Pacific	
Blaine	East Wenatchee	Kirkland	Puyallup	
Bonney Lake	Edmonds	La Conner	Redmond	

**OPTIONS:**

- 1) Move to approve the Ordinance on first reading amending Chapter 13.10 KMC Stormwater Utility.
- 2) Do not approve the Ordinance on first reading.
- 3) Delay action on the Ordinance and bring back for consideration following further revision.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve the ordinance on first reading amending Chapter 13.10 KMC Stormwater Utility.

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING SECTIONS 13.10.050, 13.10.110 AND ADDING SECTION 13.10.115 OF THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY AND ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL RECOVERY CHARGE FOR CONNECTION TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE UTILITY.**

WHEREAS, the City Council authorized the establishment of a stormwater management utility and has periodically adopted and adjusted rates and fees to fund the operations and maintenance of the facility; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35.92.025 authorizes cities and towns to establish charges for connecting to the utility, and the City Council has determined the necessity of establishing a capital recovery charge to be levied on each parcel of property that changes from an undeveloped state to a developed state and becomes joined to and commences to use the facilities of the stormwater management system in order to bear its equitable share of the cost of the utility; and

WHEREAS, an equivalent service unit has been established and defined to be used as the basis of measurement for calculating the capital recovery charge;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. KMC Section 13.10.050 Amended.** Kelso Municipal Code Section 13.10.050 is hereby amended as follows:

**13.10.050 Rates and charges – Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, the following terms have the meanings set forth below:

A. “Customer” means a person in whose name service is rendered as evidenced by the signature on the application or contract for that service or, in the absence of a signed instrument, by the receipt and payment of bills regularly issued in his/her/its name regardless of the identity of the actual user of the service.

B. “Equivalent service unit” for the purpose of the stormwater utility means a measure equal to two thousand five hundred square feet of impervious groundcover or a portion thereof, and is the measure of impervious groundcover to be used by the utility in assessing capital recovery charges against each parcel of property. All detached single-

family residences and manufactured homes are deemed to contain one equivalent service unit.

~~C. B.~~ “Impervious surface” means those hard-surfaced areas which either prevent or retard the entry of water into the soil in the manner that such water entered the soil under natural conditions preexisting any development on the property, and/or those hard-surfaced areas which cause water to run off the surface in greater quantities or at an increased rate of flow from that present under natural conditions preexisting any development on the property, including, but not limited to, such surfaces as rooftops, asphalt or concrete sidewalks, paving, driveways, parking lots, walkways, patio areas, storage areas, and gravel-oiled macadam or other surfaces which similarly affect the natural infiltration or runoff patterns existing prior to the development.

~~D. C.~~ “Parcel” means the smallest separately segregated unit or plot of land having an identified owner, boundaries, and surface area which is documented for tax purposes and given a tax account (lot) number by the Cowlitz County assessor.

~~E. D.~~ “Developed parcel” means a parcel of real property which has been altered by grading or filling of the ground surface, or by construction of any improvement or other impervious surface area which affects the hydraulic properties of the parcel.

~~F. E.~~ “Single-duplex parcel” means a parcel which has been actually developed with a single-family residence or duplex.

~~G. F.~~ “Multifamily parcel” means a parcel which has been developed with an improvement with three or more residential units.

~~H. G.~~ “Undeveloped parcel” means any parcel of real property which has not been altered by grading or filling of the ground surface, or by construction of any improvement or other impervious surface area which affects the hydraulic properties of the parcel.

**SECTION 2. KMC Section 13.10.110 Amended.** Kelso Municipal Code Section 13.10.110 is hereby amended as follows:

**13.10.110 Charges for use of the storm drainage system.**

~~A. Any and all use of the storm drainage system shall be subject to the payment of all fees, costs, and charges specified in Section 2 of Ordinance 3225.~~

~~B. Residential and nonresidential developed parcels that are vacant shall be subject to full payment of all fees, costs, and charges for use of the storm drainage system as specified in Section 2 of Ordinance 3225.~~

Any and all use of the storm drainage system, including residential and nonresidential developed parcels that are vacant, shall be subject to the payment of all fees, costs, and

charges established by the current stormwater management utility rate ordinance as adopted or hereafter amended.

**SECTION 3. KMC Section 13.10.115 Added.** A new Section 13.10.115 of the Kelso Municipal Code is hereby added as follows:

**13.10.115 Capital recovery charges.**

A. A capital recovery charge shall be levied against and shall be collected from the owners of each parcel of real property or portion thereof which is changed from an undeveloped to a developed state subsequent to the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. Such capital recovery charge shall be levied for the purposes of assessing against such previously undeveloped property or portion of real property, at the time such property or portion becomes joined to and commences to use the facilities of the system, in order that such property may bear its fair share of the cost of the utility.

B. The capital recovery charge shall be levied in an amount determined by multiplying the base equivalent service unit charge as established by the current stormwater management utility rate ordinance, as adopted or hereafter amended, by the total number of equivalent service units contained on that property or portion of property being altered from an undeveloped to a developed condition, which number shall not be less than one and will be rounded to the nearest whole number representing the equivalent service units contained on such property. The number of equivalent service units shall be determined by the utility at the time in which application for a building or construction permit is made by the owner of the property or its agent. The capital recovery charge shall be assessed and must be paid before a building or construction permit may be issued by the city.

**SECTION 4. Corrections.** Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including without limitation the correction of clerical errors, references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering.

**SECTION 5. Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any provision, clause, sentence, or paragraph of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person, establishment, or circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect 5 days after its passage and publication of summary as required by law.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATION:

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY

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# AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

## Business of the City Council City of Kelso, Washington

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**SUBJECT TITLE:**

Agenda Item: \_\_\_\_\_

**WALK-ON**

Dept. of Origin: Engineering

**(1<sup>st</sup> Reading)** An Ordinance of the City of Kelso Adopting Stormwater Rates for 2015 - 2019.

**For Agenda of:** October 7, 2014

**City Attorney:** Janean Parker

**PRESENTED BY:**

**City Manager:** Steve Taylor

Michael Kardas, P.E.

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**Agenda Item Attachments:**

Proposed Ordinance Amending Stormwater Rates (Red-lined and final)  
Ordinance 13-3811 Updating Stormwater Rates

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

On July 15, 2014, FCS Group presented to Council the results of a stormwater utility rate study they had been conducting since 2013. This presentation included recommended rate increases needed to cover maintenance and capital improvements costs over the next 5 years. This included an 18% increase in stormwater rates in 2015 and 3% annual rate increases for the remaining four years. The implementation of a new Stormwater Utility Capital Recovery Charge was recommended, and the Council directed staff to bring forward ordinances for consideration to establish the new charge and authorize the adjusted rates for the utility.

The attached ordinance implements the stormwater rate changes recommended by staff for the years 2015 – 2019. Authorization for the capital recovery charges included in this rate ordinance is contained within a separate ordinance amending the KMC that is placed before the Council for consideration at the October 7<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

**OPTIONS:**

- 1) Move to approve the Ordinance on first reading amending rates and fees for the Stormwater Utility from 2015 – 2019.
- 2) Do not approve the Ordinance.
- 3) Delay action on the Ordinance and bring back for consideration following further revision.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve the ordinance on first reading amending rates and fees for the Stormwater Utility from 2015-2019.

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 13-3811 RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY BY ESTABLISHING NEW BASE RATES FOR SINGLE-FAMILY PARCELS AND LISTING NEW MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGES FOR OTHER DEVELOPED PARCELS FOR 2015 THROUGH 2019. ALSO CREATING A STORMWATER CAPITAL RECOVERY CHARGE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City operates a utility for the provision of stormwater management services and has set rates and fees to fund the costs of these services; and

**WHEREAS**, the regular review and adjustment of rates and fees are necessary to maintain the fiscal sustainability of the stormwater utility, and the City commissioned a study to provide rate adjustment recommendations for the utility; and

**WHEREAS**, the rate study conducted by FCS Group and presented to the City Council on July 15, 2014 recommended adjustment to stormwater rates and the establishment of a capital recovery charge; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council accepts the recommendations of the rate study to adjust rates and fees in amounts necessary to fund the operations and capital improvements of the utility;

**NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO DO ORDAIN**  
**AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** That Ordinance No. 13-3811, relating to the City’s stormwater management utility, is hereby amended to provide as follows:

System of Charges: The following monthly service charges are hereby established for all parcels of real property within the boundaries of the City of Kelso as they now exist or as they may be hereafter established for the purpose of carrying on the responsibilities of the stormwater management utility:

A. Undeveloped Parcels: Undeveloped parcels shall not be charged.

B. Single-Family Parcels: The monthly service charge for each single-family parcel shall hereafter be referred to as the “base rate.”

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Single Family (per house)	\$ 8.91	\$ 9.18	\$ 9.45	\$ 9.74	\$ 10.03



**C. Multiple Family Parcels:** Parcels with multiple dwelling units, such as duplexes, apartments, condominiums and mobile home parks, shall be charged the base rate for each dwelling unit address within the parcel.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Multi-family (per unit)	\$ 8.91	\$ 9.18	\$ 9.45	\$ 9.74	\$ 10.03

**D. Other Developed Parcels:** The monthly service charge for all other developed parcels shall be determined by taking the total measured impervious surface area divided by the total acreage. The monthly service charge shall be determined by taking this percentage and using the following rate schedule to see what category any particular parcel falls into:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Other Developed Parcels (Per Gross Acre)</b>					
Very light – 0% to 9%	\$ 4.26	\$ 4.39	\$ 4.52	\$ 4.65	\$ 4.79
Moderately light – 10% to 24%	\$ 11.22	\$ 11.56	\$ 11.91	\$ 12.26	\$ 12.63
Light – 25% to 39%	\$ 19.53	\$ 20.11	\$ 20.72	\$ 21.34	\$ 21.98
Moderate – 40% to 54%	\$ 27.92	\$ 28.76	\$ 29.62	\$ 30.51	\$ 31.42
Moderately heavy – 55% to 69%	\$ 36.23	\$ 37.31	\$ 38.43	\$ 39.59	\$ 40.77
Heavy – 70% to 84%	\$ 46.03	\$ 47.41	\$ 48.84	\$ 50.30	\$ 51.81
Very heavy – 85% to 100%	\$ 58.68	\$ 60.44	\$ 62.26	\$ 64.12	\$ 66.05
<i>Tiers based on % of impervious area</i>					
<i>Minimum charge for non-residential</i>	\$ 8.91	\$ 9.18	\$ 9.45	\$ 9.74	\$ 10.03

**E. Minimum Charge:** Notwithstanding the number of impervious units applicable to any individual property, the minimum monthly service charge for all developed properties shall be equal to the base rate.

**F. Senior Citizens:** Senior citizens shall be exempt from the stormwater sewer charge provided they apply and qualify for such a reduction per RCW 74.38.070.

*For purposes of implementing this section, “low-income senior citizen” shall mean a person who is sixty-one (61) years of age or older and whose total income, including that of his/her spouse or co-tenant, does not exceed the amount specified in RCW 84.36.381(5), as it now exists or is hereafter amended. Further, for purposes of implementing this section, the definitions of “combined disposable income,” “disposable income,” and “co-tenant” shall be as defined in RCW 84.36.383(5), (6), and (7), as they now exist or are hereafter amended.*

**G. Capital Recovery Fees – Stormwater Connections:**

Base Equivalent Service Charge

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
\$ 143.00	\$ 176.00	\$ 217.00	\$ 267.00	\$ 329.00

**SECTION 2.** The rates established herein shall take effect on the customer's first billing cycle after January 1, 2015.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after its passage and publication of summary as required by law.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATION:

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. ~~12-378813-3811~~ RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY BY ESTABLISHING ~~A~~ NEW BASE RATES FOR SINGLE-FAMILY PARCELS AND LISTING NEW MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGES FOR OTHER DEVELOPED PARCELS FOR 2015 THROUGH 2019. ALSO CREATING A STORMWATER CAPITAL RECOVERY CHARGE.

WHEREAS, the City operates a utility for the provision of stormwater management services and has set rates and fees to fund the costs of these services; and

WHEREAS, the regular review and adjustment of rates and fees are necessary to maintain the fiscal sustainability of the stormwater utility, and the City commissioned a study to provide rate adjustment recommendations for the utility; and

WHEREAS, the rate study conducted by FCS Group and presented to the City Council on July 15, 2014 recommended adjustment to stormwater rates and the establishment of a capital recovery charge; and

WHEREAS, the City Council accepts the recommendations of the rate study to adjust rates and fees in amounts necessary to fund the operations and capital improvements of the utility;

NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** That Ordinance No. ~~12-378813-3811~~, relating to the City’s stormwater management utility, is hereby amended to provide as follows:

System of Charges: The following monthly service charges are hereby established for all parcels of real property within the boundaries of the City of Kelso as they now exist or as they may be hereafter established for the purpose of carrying on the responsibilities of the stormwater management utility:

A. Undeveloped Parcels: Undeveloped parcels shall not be charged.

B. Single-Family Parcels: The monthly service charge for each single-family parcel ~~shall be and \$7.55 beginning in 2014, which~~ shall hereafter be referred to as the “base rate.”

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
<u>Single Family (per house)</u>	<u>\$ 8.91</u>	<u>\$ 9.18</u>	<u>\$ 9.45</u>	<u>\$ 9.74</u>	<u>\$ 10.03</u>

C. Multiple Family Parcels: Parcels with multiple dwelling units, such as duplexes, apartments, condominiums and mobile home parks, shall be charged the base rate for each dwelling unit address within the parcel.

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
<u>Multi-family (per unit)</u>	<u>\$ 8.91</u>	<u>\$ 9.18</u>	<u>\$ 9.45</u>	<u>\$ 9.74</u>	<u>\$ 10.03</u>

~~D. Senior Citizens: Senior citizens shall be exempt from the stormwater sewer charge provided they apply and qualify for such a reduction per RCW 74.38.070.~~

~~For purposes of implementing this section, “low income senior citizen” shall mean a person who is sixty-one (61) years of age or older and whose total income, including that of his/her spouse or co-tenant, does not exceed the amount specified in RCW 84.36.381(5), as it now exists or is hereafter amended. Further, for purposes of implementing this section, the definitions of “combined disposable income,” “disposable income,” and “co-tenant” shall be as defined in RCW 84.36.383(5), (6), and (7), as they now exist or are hereafter amended.~~

ED. Other Developed Parcels: The monthly service charge for all other developed parcels shall be determined by taking the total measured impervious surface area divided by the total acreage. The monthly service charge shall be determined by taking this percentage and using the following rate schedule to see what category any particular parcel falls into:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
<u>Other Developed Parcels (Per Gross Acre)</u>					
<u>Very light – 0% to 9%</u>	<u>\$ 4.26</u>	<u>\$ 4.39</u>	<u>\$ 4.52</u>	<u>\$ 4.65</u>	<u>\$ 4.79</u>
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<u>Tiers based on % of impervious area</u>					
<u>Minimum charge for non-residential</u>	<u>\$ 8.91</u>	<u>\$ 9.18</u>	<u>\$ 9.45</u>	<u>\$ 9.74</u>	<u>\$ 10.03</u>

~~FE. Minimum Charge: Notwithstanding the number of impervious units applicable to any individual property, the minimum monthly service charge for all developed properties shall be equal to the base rate.~~

~~F. Senior Citizens: Senior citizens shall be exempt from the stormwater sewer charge provided they apply and qualify for such a reduction per RCW 74.38.070.~~

~~For purposes of implementing this section, “low-income senior citizen” shall mean a person who is sixty-one (61) years of age or older and whose total income, including that of his/her spouse or co-tenant, does not exceed the amount specified in RCW 84.36.381(5), as it now exists or is hereafter amended. Further, for purposes of implementing this section, the~~

definitions of “combined disposable income,” “disposable income,” and “co-tenant” shall be as defined in RCW 84.36.383(5), (6), and (7), as they now exist or are hereafter amended.

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Base Equivalent Service Charge

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\$ 143.00	\$ 176.00	\$ 217.00	\$ 267.00	\$ 329.00

**SECTION 2.** The rates established herein shall take effect on the customer’s first billing cycle after January 1, ~~2014~~2015.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after its passage and publication of summary as required by law.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, ~~2013~~2014.

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MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATION:

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY

ORDINANCE NO. 13-3811

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 12-3788 RELATING TO THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UTILITY BY ESTABLISHING A NEW BASE RATE FOR SINGLE-FAMILY PARCELS AND LISTING NEW MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGES FOR OTHER DEVELOPED PARCELS.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** That Ordinance No. 12-3788, relating to the City's stormwater management utility, is hereby amended to provide as follows:

System of Charges: The following monthly service charges are hereby established for all parcels of real property within the boundaries of the City of Kelso as they now exist or as they may be hereafter established for the purpose of carrying on the responsibilities of the stormwater management utility:

A. Undeveloped Parcels: Undeveloped parcels shall not be charged.

B. Single-Family Parcels: The monthly service charge for each single-family parcel shall be and \$7.55 beginning in 2014, which shall hereafter be referred to as the "base rate."

C. Multiple Family Parcels: Parcels with multiple dwelling units, such as duplexes, apartments, condominiums and mobile home parks, shall be charged the base rate for each dwelling unit address within the parcel.

D. Senior Citizens: Senior citizens shall be exempt from the stormwater sewer charge provided they apply and qualify for such a reduction per RCW 74.38.070.

*For purposes of implementing this section, "low-income senior citizen" shall mean a person who is sixty-one (61) years of age or older and whose total income, including that of his/her spouse or co-tenant, does not exceed the amount specified in RCW 84.36.381(5), as it now exists or is hereafter amended. Further, for purposes of implementing this section, the definitions of "combined disposable income," "disposable income," and "co-tenant" shall be as defined in RCW 84.36.383(5), (6), and (7), as they now exist or are hereafter amended.*

E. Other Developed Parcels: The monthly service charge for all other developed parcels shall be determined by taking the total measured impervious surface area divided by the total acreage. The monthly service charge shall be determined by taking this percentage and using the following rate schedule to see what category any particular parcel falls into:

<u>CATEGORY DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PERCENT OF IMPERVIOUS SURFACE</u>	<u>MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE</u>
1. Very light	0% to 9%	\$3.61/IA
2. Moderately light	10% to 24%	\$9.51/IA
3. Light	25% to 39%	\$16.55/IA
4. Moderate	40% to 54%	\$23.66/IA
5. Moderately heavy	55% to 69%	\$30.70/IA
6. Heavy	70% to 84%	\$39.01/IA
7. Very heavy	85% to 100%	\$49.73/IA

(IA means "Impervious Acre")

F. Minimum Charge: Notwithstanding the number of impervious units applicable to any individual property, the minimum monthly service charge for all developed properties shall be equal to the base rate.


**SECTION 2.** The rates established herein shall take effect on the customer's first full billing cycle after January 1, 2014.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after its passage and publication of summary as required by law.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

  
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 MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATION:

  
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 CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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 CITY ATTORNEY

Published: November 23, 2013