

**SAMMAMISH PLATEAU WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION NO. 5244

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SAMMAMISH PLATEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, PERTAINING TO THE WATER AND SEWER RATES; AMENDING THE CODE OF RESOLUTIONS OF THE SAMMAMISH PLATEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT AT SECTION 3.15.030; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, RCW 57.08.081 authorizes the Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District ("District") Board of Commissioners to fix rates and charges for furnishing sewer service and facilities to those to whom sewer service is available and for providing such service, and to fix rates and charges for providing water service, such rates and charges to be fixed as deemed necessary by the District Board of Commissioners so that uniform charges will be made for the same class of customer or service and facility; and

WHEREAS, District Code Section 3.15.030 authorizes water and sewer rates to be established by the District Board of Commissioners from time to time; and.

WHEREAS, the District Board of Commissioners previously established water and sewer service rates for all customer classifications by the adoption of Resolution No. 5238 on December 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Commissioners wishes to adopt updates and revisions to the District Code at Section 3.15.030 to be consistent with the current adopted water and sewer service rates; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District, King County, Washington, as follows:

SECTION 1. Amendment. The Code of Resolutions of the Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District, at Section 3.15.030, *Water and sewer rates*, is hereby amended to read as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2. 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 of constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution.

SECTION 3. Corrections. Upon approval of the District's Legal Counsel, the clerk and the codifiers of this Resolution are authorized to make necessary technical corrections to this Resolution, including, without limitation, the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or section/subsection numbering.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. The Resolution shall be in full force and effective upon adoption hereof.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District, King County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on the 22nd day of January, 2024.

***Individual Commissioner's
Vote on this Resolution:***

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Nav Otal

Nav Otal, President and Commissioner

Ryika Hooshangi
Ryika Hooshangi (Jan 22, 2024 10:20 PST)

Ryika Hooshangi, Vice President and Commissioner

Mary Shustov
Mary Shustov (Jan 22, 2024 20:17 EST)

Mary Shustov, Secretary and Commissioner

Tom Harman

Tom Harman, Commissioner

Lloyd Warren

Lloyd Warren, Commissioner

EXHIBIT A

Sec. 3.15.030. Water and sewer rates.

- (a) *Water rates.* The District water service rates consist of a monthly fixed base charge and consumption charge, and are as follows:
- (1) *Single-family residential water rates.*
 - a. Customer bills consist of a fixed base water charge based on meter size in amounts as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - b. Water consumption is charged in an increasing rate block structure. This is in addition to the fixed base charge. The rates are in amounts as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - (2) *Multi-family residential water rates.*
 - a. Customer bills consist of a fixed base water charge based on the number of units served. The charge per unit is a percentage of the fixed base charge of the single-family fixed base charge for a three-quarter-inch meter. The percentage and rate are established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - b. In addition to the fixed base charge, there will be a water consumption charge. The water consumption rate is in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - (3) *Public institution, commercial, and industrial customer water rates.*
 - a. Customer bills consist of a fixed base water charge based on meter size in amounts as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - b. In addition to the fixed base charge, there will be a water consumption charge. The water consumption rate is in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - (4) *Irrigation without audit water rates.*
 - a. Customer bills consist of a fixed base water charge based on meter size in amounts as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - b. In addition to the fixed base charge, there will be a water consumption charge. The water consumption rate is in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - (5) *Irrigation with audit water rates.*
 - a. Customers with dedicated irrigation meters can participate in the District's Irrigation Audit Program on a voluntary basis. This program is not open to single-family residential customers.
 - b. To receive the "irrigation with audit" rate, customers must meet and adhere to the Irrigation Audit Program as outlined in section 5.10.010. If approved by the District for the irrigation with audit rate, the water service rate is as follows:
 1. Customer bills consist of a fixed base water charge based on meter size in amounts as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 2. In addition to the fixed base charge, there will be a water consumption charge. The water consumption is billed at reduced rate in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.

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- (b) *Sewer rates.* The District monthly sewer service rates are for transporting the sewage and maintaining District sewer mains, lift stations, and facilities and are as follows:
- (1) *Single-family residential sewer rates.* Customer bills consist of a fixed base charge in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - (2) *Multi-family residential sewer rates.* Customer bills consist of a fixed base charge per unit in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
 - (3) *Public institution, commercial, and industrial customer sewer rates.*
 - a. Customer bills consist of a fixed base charge in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time. This fixed base charge includes the first 750 cubic feet or 5,610 gallons of water used.
 - b. In addition to the fixed base charge, there will be a consumption charge for each additional 100 cubic feet of water used or 748 gallons of water used, in an amount as established by the Board of Commissioners from time to time.
- (c) *Fixed base charges.* The owners of property connected to the District's water and sewer systems shall be charged the monthly fixed base charge for water and sewer service even though such owners may choose not to use water or sewer service on a continuous basis or their utility service is inactive because such service is shut off due to nonpayment of District utility billings.
- (d) *King County metro charge; King County wastewater treatment charge.*
- (1) Pursuant to the Agreement for Sewage Disposal between the District and King County, the county will charge the District an amount established by the King County Council from time to time a monthly sewer wholesale rate per King County defined equivalent residential unit. The District passes this fee to the residences, businesses and industries connected to the District's wastewater collection system to recover the county charge.
 - (2) In the event King County increases its monthly wholesale sewer rates to the District, the King County wastewater treatment charge shall automatically be increased in equal proportion for all District customer classifications effective the date that any such county wholesale sewer rate increases are effective as to the District.
- (e) *Public process.* Although not legally required, the Board may elect the District to hold a public hearing for public comments when establishing water and sewer service rates. If a public hearing is to be held, the District will issue public notice regarding such hearing.