

ORDINANCE NO. 15966

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15.12 OF THE THURSTON COUNTY CODE RELATING TO SEWER AND WATER RATES, CHARGES AND FEES.**

**WHEREAS**, Thurston County, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 36.94 RCW, owns and operates four different public water and sewer utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to RCW 36.94.140, the Thurston County Board of Commissioners (Board) has jurisdiction and authority to manage, regulate and control its water and sewer systems and to fix, alter, regulate and control the rates and charges for the service and facilities, and levy charges for connection to the system; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to RCW 36.94.130, the Board may adopt by ordinance reasonable rules and regulations governing the maintenance, operation, use, connection and service of its sewer and water systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board finds it necessary to adopt rates and charges for water and sewer service for all county utilities for 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board held a public hearing to hear comments on and consider the proposed code changes on December 15, 2020 at 3:00pm.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THURSTON COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Thurston County Code, chapter 15.12.010 is hereby revised and amended to read as follows:

15.12.010 - Water and sewer charges, rates and fees.

Regular rates and charges for the furnishing of service shall be as set out in the following table. All rates subject to utility taxes.

**Table 15.12.010  
Thurston County Water and Sewer Utilities Rates and Charges in 2021**

			Monthly Charges		Other Utility Fees and Services			
Utility/ Service	Note	General Facilities Charges per ERU <i>See Note 6</i>	Fixed Service Charges per ERU <i>See Note 6</i>	Water Consumption Rate \$ per 100 Cubic Feet	Inspection Fees <i>Section Reference</i>	Temporary Connection Fee Hydrants Meter Each Occurrence <i>See Note 10, 11</i>	Hydrant Meter Monthly Service Charge See Note 11	Service Fee Each Occurrence <i>Section Reference</i>
Year		2021	2021	2021				
Tamoshan/Tamoshan/Beverly Beach								
Water	1,2		\$79.98	\$2.67	15.12.037	\$160.00	\$52.00	15.12.080 B.6
Sewer	1		\$140.64		15.12.037			

Boston Harbor								
Water	1,4	See Section	\$40.97	\$2.69	15.12.037	\$160.00	\$52.00	15.12.080
		15.12.041						Note 6
Sewer		See Section	\$109.58		15.12.037			
		15.12.051						
Grand Mound								
Water	1,5	\$2,896.14	\$44.72	\$2.56	15.12.037	\$160.00	\$52.00	15.12.080 B.6
Sewer		\$3,780.21	\$92.15		15.12.037			
Woodland Creek								
Sewer		See Section	See Section					
		15.09.270	15.09.270					
Olympic View								
Sewer	1,3		\$105.53					

**Table 15.12.010 (Cont.)**  
**Thurston County Water and Sewer Utilities Rates and Charges in 2021<sup>[12]</sup>**  
**For Utility Services in Grand Mound Outside ULID No. 96-2**

		Inside and Outside the ULID	Inside the UGA Boundary			Outside the UGA Boundary			
Grand Mound Service		Latecomers Agreement Application Fee <i>Section Reference</i>	Service Extension Charges <i>Section Reference</i>	Additional Capacity Charges Per E.R.U. <i>See Note 6 below</i>	Water Rights Mitigation	Equivalent Service Extension Charges <i>Section Reference</i>	Additional Capacity Charges Per E.R.U. <i>See Note 6 below</i>	Water Rights Mitigation	Water System Modeling Fee
Year				2021			2021		
Water	1,5	15.12.037	15.12.025	\$447.13	Note 7	15.12.035	\$447.13	Note 7	\$690.00
					below			below	
Sewer		15.12.037	15.12.025	\$1,564.94		N/A			

Notes:

- Properties in these utility areas are subject to utility local improvement district (ULID) property assessments. Assessments are paid separately to the county treasurer.
- Tamoshan Division I, as recorded in Volume 18 of Plats, page 41, and within Tamoshan Division II, as recorded in Volume 19 of Plats, page 42, Thurston County, Washington.
- Recorded in Volume 13 of Plats, page 46, and within Olympic View, First Addition, as recorded in Volume 14 of Plats, page 73, Thurston County, Washington.
- Thurston County Utility Local Improvement District Nos. 1 and 2 and any other property connected to the Boston Harbor water system.
- Thurston County Utility Local Improvement District No. 96-2 and any other property connected to the Grand Mound water and/or sewer system(s).
- Equivalent residential unit (E.R.U) is defined in Section 15.12.012.

7. Valid water rights of a quantity adequate to support the planned development must be deeded to the county. See Section 15.10.210.

8. Not used.

9. Not used.

10. File application for service and pay non-refundable connection and hydrant meter set fees listed in Section 15.12.010.

11. Applicant for temporary water service for hydrant meters pay monthly service fee for operation and maintenance of hydrant and/or hydrant meter as listed in Section 15.12.010. Water usage shall be charged at the current rate per one hundred cubic feet of water.

12. Miscellaneous fees of thirty dollars for NSF checks.

(Ord. 13999 § 1, 2007; Ord. 13989 § 3 (part), 2007; Ord. 13697 § 1 (part), 2006; Ord. 13486 § 1, 2005; Ord. 13479 § 1 (part), 2005; Ord. 13441 Exh, 2005; Ord. 13278 § 1 (part), 2004; Ord. 13105 § 1, 2003; Ord. 12878 § 1 (part), 2002)

(Ord. No. 14156, § 3, 12-15-2008; Ord. No. 14318, § 4, 12-15-2009; Ord. No. 14446, § 6, 12-14-2010; Ord. No. 14688, § 1, 12-16-2011; Ord. No. 14749, § 5, 5-15-2012; Ord. No. 14815, § 1, 12-4-2012; Ord. No. 14959, § 1, 11-15-2013; Ord. No. 15212, § 1, 11-10-2015; Ord. No. 15411, 12-13-2016; Ord. No. 15524, 10-2-2017; Ord. No. 15556, 12-12-2017; Ord. No. 15695, 12-11-2018)

**Section 2.** Thurston County Code, chapter 15.12.035 is hereby revised and amended to read as follows:

15.12.035 - Equivalent service extension charge—Grand Mound.

An equivalent service extension charge shall apply to connection to the Grand Mound water system from outside the service area and will be computed based on the table below.

**Equivalent Service Extension Charges for Customers Outside the UGA**

Zoning Type	ESEC per Square Foot
	2021
Arterial Commercial	\$0.0738
Light Industrial	\$0.0539
Planned Industrial	\$0.0587
Residential 3-6/1	\$0.0416
Residential 4-16/1	\$0.0877

(Ord. 13989 § 3 (part), 2007; Ord. 13697 § 1 (part), 2006; Ord. 13479 § 1 (part), 2005; Ord. 12878 § 1 (part), 2002)

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**Section 3.** Severability. If any provision of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional, or the applicability thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the ordinance and its applicability to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.


**Section 4.** Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2021.

**Section 5.** Corrections. Upon approval of the Prosecuting Attorney's Office, the Clerk of the Board is authorized to make any necessary corrections to any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or other portion of this Ordinance for scrivener or clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any reference thereto.

ADOPTED this 16 day of December, 2020.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Thurston County, Washington

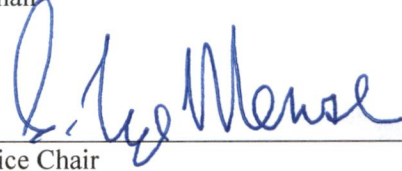


Amy Davis  
Clerk of the Board


  
Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JON TUNHEIM  
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

  
Vice Chair

By:   
Scott Cushing  
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

  
Commissioner

**CODIFY**