

ORDINANCE NO. 1646

CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO WATER SERVICE RATES, AMENDING SECTION 13.32.030 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION.

WHEREAS, additional requirements and significant capital improvements to the City's water system have greatly impacted the operating costs of such system, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the water service rates in order to provide for the additional maintenance costs to meet system requirements and provide funding for scheduled capital improvements; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Section 13.32.030 of the Lacey Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

13.32.030 Service charge--Metered.

Water service charges for metered connections to the city water system shall be determined and the revenues received there from utilized as follows:

- A. The customers of the water system shall be divided into two groups. Group 1 shall consist of single family residences, duplex residences and irrigation accounts. Group 2 shall consist of multi-family residential structures, mobile home parks and commercial buildings.
- B. The monthly base rate and monthly consumption rate for each one hundred cubic feet of water consumed by Group 1 customers ~~effective January 1, 2023~~ during the years 2024 through 2027 and thereafter until amended shall be as follows:

In-City Rates	2023 Rates	2024 Rates	2025 Rates	2026 Rates	2027 Rates
Base Rate	\$19.33	\$21.51	\$22.64	\$23.83	\$25.08
1 st 600 c.f.	\$1.6092	\$1.7900	\$1.8840	\$1.9829	\$2.0870
601 – 1200 c.f.	\$3.7770	\$4.2019	\$4.4225	\$4.6547	\$4.8990
1201 – 2400 c.f.	\$4.8274	\$5.3703	\$5.6523	\$5.9490	\$6.2613
Over 2400 c.f.	\$6.4460	\$7.1711	\$7.5475	\$7.9438	\$8.3608

Out-of-City Rates	2023 Rates	2024 Rates	2025 Rates	2026 Rates	2027 Rates
Base Rate	\$23.24	\$25.81	\$27.17	\$28.59	\$30.09
1 st 600 c.f.	\$1.9309	\$2.1481	\$2.2608	\$2.3795	\$2.5044
601 – 1200 c.f.	\$4.5325	\$5.0423	\$5.3070	\$5.5856	\$5.8788
1201 – 2400 c.f.	\$5.7929	\$6.4444	\$6.7827	\$7.1388	\$7.5136
Over 2400 c.f.	\$7.7352	\$8.6053	\$9.0570	\$9.5325	\$10.0330

C. The monthly base rate and monthly consumption rate for each one hundred cubic feet of water consumed by Group 2 customers ~~effective January 1, 2023~~ during the years 2024 through 2027 and thereafter until amended shall be as follows:

In-City Rates	2023 Rates	2024 Rates	2025 Rates	2026 Rates	2027 Rates
Base Rate	\$19.33	\$21.51	\$22.64	\$23.83	\$25.08
1 st 600 c.f.	\$1.6092	\$1.7900	\$1.8840	\$1.9829	\$2.0870
Over 600 c.f.	\$3.7770	\$4.2019	\$4.4225	\$4.6547	\$4.8990

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D. Irrigation accounts shall be those accounts developed from the use of water for irrigation through a meter or meters separate from the metering of other water use upon such property. Group 2 customers who connect to the water system after passage of this ordinance will be required to use a separate meter or meters for irrigation purposes and the water usage through such separate meter or meters shall be considered as an irrigation account. If such a new Group 2 customer is assuming an existing Group 2 account, the requirement to install a separate meter or meters for irrigation purposes shall not apply.

E. Publicly owned recreation property such as city or county parks and school district playfields shall be billed pursuant to the schedule for Group 2 customers. Provided, however, that to qualify for such billing, the facility must first receive an irrigation audit by the city water department and demonstrate that a good faith effort is being made to remedy deficiencies and conserve water.

F. The billing rate to those customers utilizing water directly from water hydrants, with the consent of the city, shall be charged at a rate equivalent to the charges applicable to In-city Group 1 customers for consumption in excess of two thousand four hundred cubic feet.

G. ~~An amount equal to fifteen percent of the revenues received from service charges as set forth herein shall be set aside by the city separately for the purpose of accumulating a depreciation reserve for the replacement of equipment and plant in place of the water system. The balance of the income received from said charges shall be used for maintenance and operation, construction and debt service requirements of said system.~~ Service charge revenues shall be used for the purpose of maintenance and operations, debt service requirements, and maintaining minimum maintenance and operations reserve thresholds. The balance of revenues received from said charges shall be used for the replacement, repair and expansion of water systems and equipment.

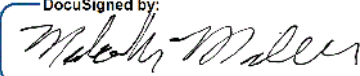
Section 2. This Ordinance shall be effective as of January 1, 2024.

Section 3. The City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

Section 4. The Summary attached hereto is hereby approved for publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, on this 16th day of November, 2023.

CITY COUNCIL

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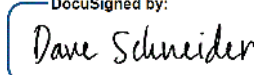
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SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION
ORDINANCE NO. 1646
CITY OF LACEY

The City Council of the City of Lacey, Washington, passed on November 16, 2023, Ordinance No. 1646, entitled “**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO WATER SERVICE RATES, AMENDING SECTION 13.32.030 AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION.**”

A section by section summary of this ordinance is as follows:

Section 1 amends section 13.32.030 establishing water rates during the years 2024 through 2027 for purposes of providing revenue for increased maintenance and capital expenditures for the water utility system.

Section 2 establishes the effective date of January 1, 2024.

Section 3 provides provisions for corrections.

Section 4 approves this summary.

A copy of the full text of this Ordinance will be mailed without charge to any person requesting the same from the City of Lacey.



City Clerk

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