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**Ordinance Number:** 124367

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**Status:** Passed

**Note:** Referred from the Full Council to the Government Performance and Finance Committee on July 15, 2013.

**Vote:** 9-0

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**Date of Mayor's signature:** 2013/12/10 ([about the signature date](#))

**Date introduced/referred to committee:** 2013/11/25

**Committee:** Libraries, Utilities, and Center

**Sponsor:** GODDEN

**Committee Recommendation:** Pass

**Date of Committee Recommendation:** 2013/12/03

**Committee Vote:** 3(Godden, Bagshaw, Conlin)-0

**Index Terms:** SEATTLE-PUBLIC-UTILITIES, UTILITY-RATES, MUNICIPAL-CODE

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**Reference:** [Ordinance 124011](#)

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**Text:**

ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE relating to water services of Seattle Public Utilities; revising water rates and charges for service to wholesale customers, and amending Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 21.04.440 in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Seattle Public Utilities provides wholesale water service to many water utilities surrounding Seattle ("Wholesale Customers") under the provisions of various long-term water supply contracts; and

WHEREAS, there are no longer any Wholesale Customers being served under a current or expired Water Purveyor Contract; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Full and Partial Requirements Contract for Supply of Water ("Contracts") require Wholesale Customers pay a new service fee ("Facility Charge") at the time the Wholesale Customers connect a new retail customer to their respective retail water distribution systems; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the Facility Charge is based in part on recovering costs associated with Seattle Public Utilities' investments in regional water conservation, which Wholesale Customers participate in pursuant to their Contracts; and

WHEREAS, the existing Facilities Charges authorized by Ordinance 124074 were based on the costs of Seattle Public

Utilities' regional water conservation program from 2011 through 2013; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Contracts, the Operating Board of the Seattle Regional Water Supply System has determined to recover costs for regional conservation for 2014 through 2018 through Facility Charges; and

WHEREAS, the Facilities Charges to recover the costs of the regional water conservation program for 2014 through 2018 have been calculated; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subsection 21.04.440 E of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

SMC 21.04.440 Rates outside City.

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E. Wholesale Customers -- Commodity and Other Charges.

1. (~~Water Purveyor Contract.~~) Reserved

~~((The rate to be charged wholesale customers being served under the provisions of a contract substantially in the form of the Water Purveyor Contract, version A or version B, or who have an expired contract substantially in the form of the Water Purveyor Contract, version A or version B, shall be based on a commodity charge and a Base Service Charge, as follows:-~~

~~Effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011:-~~

~~Commodity Charge Per 100 Cubic Feet~~

~~Summer (May 16th - September 15th)~~

~~All usage \$2.15~~

~~Winter (September 16th - May 15th)~~

~~All usage 1.40~~

~~For each 100 cubic feet of consumption in a calendar year in excess of the average amount of water supplied to the wholesale customer for a corresponding period of time in the three year base period between January 1, 1979 and December 31, 1981, there shall be an additional charge of \$0.31.~~

~~Base Service Charge~~

~~Meter Size Monthly Charge~~

~~1 inch \$ 54.00~~

~~1 1/2 inch 60.00~~

~~2 inch 66.00~~

~~3 inch 78.00~~

~~4 inch 108.00~~

~~6 inch 192.00~~

~~8 inch 300.00~~

~~10 inch 450.00~~

~~12 inch 528.00~~

~~16 inch 696.00~~

~~20 inch 948.00~~

~~24 inch 1,236.00~~

~~Commodity Charge Effective Effective Effective~~

~~Per 100 Cubic Feet of Water Jan. 1, 2012 Jan. 1, 2013 Jan. 1, 2014~~

~~Summer (May 16th - September 15th) \$2.58 \$2.59 \$2.61~~

~~Winter (September 16th - May 15th) \$1.85 \$1.86 \$1.87))~~

2. Full or Partial Requirements Contracts. The rate to be charged to wholesale customers being served under the provisions of contracts substantially in the form of the Full and Partial Requirements Contracts for the Supply of Water that were authorized by Ordinance 120362 or 123559 ("Full or Partial Requirements Contract") shall consist of a commodity charge, surcharges, discounts, and facilities charges as follows:

Commodity Charge ((~~Effective Effective~~)) Effective Effective

Per 100 Cubic Feet of Water ((~~Jan. 1, 2011 Jan. 1, 2012~~)) Jan. 1, 2013 Jan. 1, 2014

Summer (May 16th - September 15th) ((~~\$1.79 \$2.26~~)) \$2.26 \$2.27

Winter (September 16th - May 15th) ((~~\$1.16 \$1.52~~)) \$1.53 \$1.53

The following surcharges and discount apply to each wholesale customer that has agreed to them in a contract substantially in the form of the Full or Partial Requirements Contracts:

Additional Charge ((~~Effective Effective~~)) Effective Effective

Per 100 Cubic Feet of Water ((~~Jan. 1, 2011 Jan. 1, 2012~~)) Jan. 1, 2013 Jan. 1, 2014

((~~Transition Growth Surcharge \$0.60 expired expired expired~~))

Northwest Wheeling Rate Surcharge ((~~\$0.02 \$0.02~~)) \$0.02 \$0.02

Southwest Subregion Surcharge ((~~\$0.05 \$0.06~~)) \$0.07 \$0.07

East Subregion, Segment #3 Surcharge ((~~\$0.15 \$0.15~~)) \$0.15 \$0.16

East Subregion, Segment #4 Surcharge ((~~\$0.07 \$0.18~~)) \$0.19 \$0.19

Renton New Supply Discount ((~~N/A \$0.02~~)) \$0.02 \$0.02

In addition, each wholesale customer served under a contract substantially in the form of the Full or Partial Requirements Contracts that requires payment of facilities charges based on each new metered service connection installed within its service area shall pay the facilities charges according to the following schedule:

~~(( Meter Size Facilities Charge~~

~~-3/4 inch and smaller \$783.00-~~

~~-1 inch 1,566.00-~~

~~-1 1/2 inch 3,915.00-~~

~~-2 inch 6,264.00-~~

~~-3 inch 17,226.00-~~

~~-4 inch 24,273.00-~~

~~-6 inch 51,678.00-~~

~~-8 inch 87,696.00-~~

~~-10 inch 132,327.00-~~

~~-12 inch and larger 186,354.00-~~

~~-Effective January 1, 2013:-))~~

Meter Size Facilities Charge

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Meter Size Facilities Charge

Effective February 1, 2014:

1 inch and smaller \$ 936.00

1 1/2 inch 4,180.00

2 inch 6,688.00

3 inch 18,392.00

4 inch 25,916.00

6 inch 55,176.00

8 inch 93,632.00

10 inch 141,284.00

12 inch and larger 198,968.00

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Michael McGinn, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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City Clerk

(Seal)

Regina Carpenter SPU Facilities Charge ORD 10/15/2013 Version #1