

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1622

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHELAN,
WASHINGTON AMENDING SECTION 13.12.050 OF THE
CHELAN MUNICIPAL CODE AUTHORIZING THE
FINANCE DIRECTOR TO WAIVE CHARGES FOR
UTILITY SERVICES TO COMMERCIAL FACILITIES
UNABLE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS OR A RESIDENCE
RENDERED UNINHABITABLE BY FIRE OR NATURAL
DISASTER.**

The City Council of the City of Chelan, Washington, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 13.12.050 of the Chelan Municipal Code shall be amended as follows:

13.12.050 Remission of water utility service charges.

The finance director, or his/her designee, is hereby authorized to adjust or waive fees/charges under the following circumstances:

- A. Excess water usage due to broken lines, leaks, or unexplained water consumption occurring in winter months to unread meters. If requested by the customer, the finance director is authorized to allow a onetime adjustment to a customer's utility bill for excess water usage when a broken line, leak, or unexplained usage has occurred during the winter months when meters are not read. The customer is required to make a written request within 30 days of issuance of the bill showing excess usage. If the overage is due to a leak, the customer is to provide proof of repair of the leak. The finance director is authorized to waive up to 50 percent of any excess water over what is typically billed to the customer based on a review of the customer's account. No late fees or penalties shall be incurred by the customer making such request until the customer has been issued a revised billing and had 30 days to pay the adjusted amount due.
- B. Commercial facilities unable to conduct business or a residence rendered uninhabitable by natural disaster. If a commercial facility or single family residence is destroyed or rendered uninhabitable due to a natural disaster and a customer requests water service be temporarily disconnected, the finance director may waive charges for water and/or sewer service, and for the fee for reconnecting water service, for a reasonable time, up to twenty-four (24) months, to allow the customer to repair or reconstruct.

- C. The city shall not be held liable for damages caused because of any leakage, frozen pipes, or break along the curblineline or on the premises.

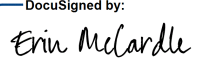
Section 2. Those portions of any ordinance conflicting with this Ordinance are repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

Section 3. If any term or provision in this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other term or provision of this Ordinance.

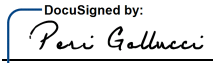
Section 4. This Ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published in the official newspaper of the City of Chelan and shall take effect and be in full force thirty (30) days after passage.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Chelan, Washington, this 9th day of April, 2024.

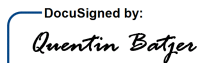
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