

RESOLUTION NO. 96-008

A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 93-045, ESTABLISHING  
NEW METERED WATER RATES, AND CONTINUING EXISTING  
SANITARY SERVICE FEES AND SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES  
FOR THE CITY OF THE DALLES

WHEREAS, the City of The Dalles began installation of water meters nearly two years ago, planning that new rates would be established whereby water usage would be metered and customers would be charged for the volume of water used; and

WHEREAS, in July 1995, the City Council authorized a contract for a financial consultant to assist the City in establishing a water rate structure and metered rates; and

WHEREAS, the City Council established policy guidelines as parameters within which the consultant would frame the rate structure and metered rates; and

WHEREAS, in September 1995, the City Council established itself as the Water Rate Study Committee, and conducted three public study committee meetings, three public hearings, and one town hall meeting, during which citizens had an opportunity to submit testimony concerning the proposed rate structure and metered rates; and

WHEREAS, after considering the testimony presented during the series of public hearings and the staff's recommendation, and engaging in additional deliberation during the special City Council meeting held on February 29, 1996, the Council adopted a motion selecting Rate **Alternative "A"**, a volume-based rate with usage allowance and upper end conservation rate, as a rate structure which was consistent with the policy guidelines established by the Council; and directed staff to prepare a resolution implementing the new metered rate structure;

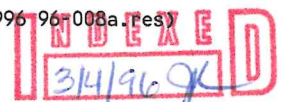
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Resolution Repealed. Resolution No. 93-045 passed by City Council on June 28, 1993, and signed by the Mayor June 28, 1993, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. Water Fees for Residential and Commercial Accounts. Effective March 1, 1996, the monthly fees charged to City of The Dalles water system users shall be set as follows:

A. **Residential**. Residential water rates are established on a tiered system based upon monthly volume used; all accounts pay the fixed charge.

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| Fixed charge: includes first 7,000 gallons per month | \$18.80                |
| Block 1: over 7,000 gallons to 15,000 gallons        | 1.35 per 1,000 gallons |
| Block 2: over 15,000 gallons to 30,000 gallons       | 1.80 per 1,000 gallons |
| Block 3: over 30,000 gallons to 100,000 gallons      | 2.15 per 1,000 gallons |
| Block 4: over 100,000 gallons                        | 2.65 per 1,000 gallons |



Demand charges for meters larger than the standard 3/4" meter shall not be charged for residential customers. The residential rate shall apply to accounts which serve duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, and fiveplexes.

B. **Commercial.** Commercial water rates are established based upon meter sizes, with standard volume charge for monthly usage in excess of 7,000 gallons.

| <u>Meter Size</u> | <u>Fixed Charge</u> | <u>Volume Charge</u>                                  |
|-------------------|---------------------|---|
| 3/4"              | \$ 18.80            | \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month |
| 1"                | 21.20               | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |
| 1.5"              | 26.00               | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |
| 2"                | 33.30               | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |
| 2.5"              | 43.00               | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |
| 3"                | 50.20               | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |
| 4"                | 76.80               | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |
| 6"                | 137.20              | 1.50 per 1,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons per month   |

C. Both residential and commercial accounts for water usage outside the City limits shall be charged 1.5 times the applicable rates in lieu of debt service property taxes collected inside the City for bonded water system improvements.

Section 3. Sewer Fees. The monthly fees charged to users of domestic sanitary treatment facilities of the City wastewater system shall remain in effect as follows:

A. Within the corporate limits of the City of The Dalles, the sewer use charge shall be \$ 16.25 per unit per month.

B. Outside the corporate limits of the City of The Dalles, the sewer use charge fee shall be \$ 29.25 per unit, per month.

C. For the purposes of Table X-1 of City of The Dalles General Ordinance No. 888, the following fees are set:

|   |   |         |
|---|---|---------|
| A | - | \$ 0.81 |
| B | - | \$ 0.86 |
| C | - | \$ 0.90 |
| D | - | \$ 0.95 |

Minimum \$ 16.25 per month.

Section 4. System Development Charges. Effective July 1, 1993, the System Development Charges for users requesting access to the water and the domestic sanitary treatment facilities of the City utilities system have been and shall continue to be based on Reimbursement Fee calculations as stated in Resolution 91-060. The charges for the City water system shall continue to be calculated as follows:

A. Each applicant requesting attachment to the City Water System shall pay at the time of application, a Water Systems Development Charge in the amount of **Six Hundred Seventy Two (\$672) dollars per unit** to be connected pursuant to General Ordinance No. 91-1133. One System Development Charge shall be paid for each unit connected.

Units shall be computed by the schedule from the following table:

#### WATER UNIT CALCULATION

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| 3/4 Inch Service or Meter | 1 unit   |
| 1 Inch Service or Meter   | 2 units  |
| 1.5 Inch Service or Meter | 4 units  |
| 2 Inch Service or Meter   | 7 units  |
| 3 Inch Service or Meter   | 14 units |
| 4 Inch Service or Meter   | 25 units |
| 6 Inch Service or Meter   | 50 units |
| 8 Inch Service or Meter   | 80 units |

Note: Applies to all meters and services, including irrigation. Minimum 1 unit applied to all new services. Service expansions or upgrades are subject to SDC differential charges.

B. Each applicant requesting attachment to the City Sewer System shall pay at the time of application, a Sewer Systems Development Charge in the amount of **Two Hundred Sixty Four (\$264) dollars per unit** to be connected pursuant to General Ordinance No. 888. One System Development Charge shall be paid for each unit connected.

Units shall be computed by the schedule from the following table:

#### SANITARY SEWER UNIT CALCULATION

|                                   |                                     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Residential dwelling              | 1 unit                              |
| Motels & Hotels                   | 0.5 unit per Room                   |
| Trailer Parks, Transient          | 0.5 unit per Trailer Space          |
| Schools: High schools             | 1 unit per 15 students              |
| Elementary schools                | 1 unit per 20 students              |
| Restaurants & Cafes               | 1 unit per 10 seat capacity         |
| Banquet rooms, Taverns, Lounges   | 1 unit per 10 seat capacity         |
| Hospital: with laundry facilities | 1 unit per bed                      |
| without laundry                   | 1 unit per 2 beds                   |
| Commercial                        | 1 unit per 9 or less employees      |
| Laundromats                       | 0.75 unit per Machine               |
| Commercial car washes             | 1 unit per 10,000 gallons/mo.       |
| Medical, Veterinary               | 1 unit per 10,000 gallons/mo. or    |
|                                   | 1 unit per 16 fixture units or less |
| Industrial, Domestic Strength     | 1 unit per 10,000 gallons/mo.       |

Note: Applies to all new services, excluding irrigation water service. Minimum 1 unit applied to all new services. Service expansions or upgrades are subject to differential charge. Industrial high strength is determined based on its strength as a multiple of domestic strength concentration.

Section 5. Classification of Fees. Pursuant to ORS 310.145, the City Council declares the fees and charges imposed by this Resolution are classified as not being subject to the provisions of Article XI, Section 11b of the Oregon Constitution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 29TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996.

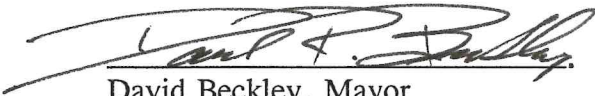
Voting Yes, Councilmembers: Davis, Briggs, Hill

Voting No, Councilmembers: Van Cleave

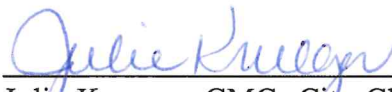
Absent, Councilmembers: Koch

Abstaining, Councilmembers: None

AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 29TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996.



David Beckley, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Julie Krueger, CMC, City Clerk