

Ordinance No. 119268

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The City of Seattle  
Council Bill/Ordinance

Council Bill No. 112426

AN ORDINANCE relating to drainage and wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.33.030 to adjust drainage rates; amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.28.040 to adjust wastewater rates; amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.28.260 to clarify the imposition of interest charges on delinquent wastewater accounts; and amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.76.040 to revise credits to low-income wastewater and drainage customers.

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*11-17-98 Pass As*

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| Date Introduced: <b>OCT 19 1998</b>               |                                       |   |
| Date 1st Referred:<br><b>10-19-98</b>             | To: (committee)<br><b>Budget</b>      |   |
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| Date Re - Referred:                               | To: (committee)                       |   |
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| Date Vetted by Mayor:                             | Date Veto Published:                  |   |
| Date Passed Over Veto:                            | Veto Sustained:                       |   |

*2) 11-23-98 For*

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*Law Department*

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The City of Seattle - Legislative Department

Council Bill/Ordinance sponsored by: Choe  
Councilmember

Matthew Choe Committee Action:

Budget Committee:

7-98 Pass As Amended

11-23-98 Full Council: Passed As Amended  
(Excused: McIver) 8-0

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16 and capital needs of the drainage system that resulted from the winter storms of 1996  
17 and 1997; and

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20 declines in water and wastewater volumes which causes a reduction in revenue;

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23 adjustments for changes in volumes, treatment expense, and associated taxes  
24 contingent on City Council approval by ordinance; and

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26 WHEREAS, increases in the City's drainage and wastewater rates are necessary to cover  
27 inflationary costs, an increase in debt service costs resulting from the 1998 drainage  
28 and wastewater revenue bond issue, continued capital improvement needs,  
29 programmatic initiatives; and

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31 WHEREAS, The City may approve an additional rate increase for the year 2000 to cover  
32 any King County treatment charge increases and associated taxes; and

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34 WHEREAS, The City wishes to clarify the imposition of interest charges on delinquent  
35 wastewater accounts; and

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37 WHEREAS, credits for qualified low-income customers need to be revised when the  
38 wastewater and drainage rates change; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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40 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

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42 Section 1. As of January 1, 1999, Subsections D and F of Seattle Municipal Code Section  
43 21.33.030 (Ordinance 114155 as last amended by Ordinance 118803) are further amended as  
44 follows:

1 **21.33.030 Drainage service charges--Schedule--Exemptions.**

2 D. The rate categories and the corresponding annual drainage service charges are as  
3 follows:

4 Effective January 1, 1999

5 Single-family Residential ((~~\$43.08~~) \$72.62 per parcel

6 Open Space (0 -- 2%) ((~~\$55.60~~) \$68.00 per acre

7 All Other Properties

8 Classification:

9 1. .... (0 - 15%) ((~~\$94.78~~) \$115.92 per acre

10 2. .... (16 - 35%) ((~~\$160.11~~) \$195.82 per acre

11 3. .... (36 - 65%) ((~~\$290.77~~) \$355.62 per acre

12 4. .... (66 - 85%) ((~~\$377.88~~) \$462.14 per acre

13 5. .... (86 - 100%) ((~~\$464.9~~) \$568.66 per acre

14 ((~~F. These rates shall take effect as of January 1, 1998~~))

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17 21.28.040 (Ordinance 84390 as last amended by Ordinance 118396) is further amended as  
18 follows:

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21 B. There is hereby imposed upon all premises served by the Seattle Public Utilities and on  
22 which water is consumed, a City wastewater volume rate per CCF of metered flow per  
23 month. The minimum monthly wastewater volume charge shall be equal to the wastewater  
24 volume rate for one (1) CCF regardless of actual metered flow. ((~~Effective January 1, 1996,~~  
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26 ~~through the cost to the Seattle Public Utilities of the increase, if any, in the King County~~  
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28 ~~increase the Seattle Public Utilities' wastewater volume rate to more than Four Dollars and~~  
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30 ~~Twenty three Cents (\$4.23) per CCF, and the actual rate has been determined by the Seattle~~  
31 ~~Public Utilities to be Four Dollars and Five Cents (\$4.05) per CCF through December 31,~~  
32 ~~1998.~~)

1 ) Effective January 1, 1999 the wastewater volume rate shall be Four Dollars and Twelve  
2 Cents (\$4.12) per CCF. Effective January 1, 2000, the wastewater volume rate shall be Four  
3 Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$4.15) per CCF plus an amount necessary to pass-through to  
4 wastewater customers the cost of any King County treatment charge increases in 2000.

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6 Section 3. Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.28.260 (Ordinance 114155 as last amended  
7 by Ordinance 118396) is amended as follows:

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9 **SMC 21.28.260 Billing and collection wastewater charges.**

10 The rates and charges set out in this chapter shall be effective and shall be computed and  
11 billed monthly or bimonthly by the Director of Seattle Public Utilities, as a separate charge  
12 on the water bill, or through a direct invoice, and shall become due and payable to the City  
13 Finance Director as stated in such billing; and any wastewater rate or charge which becomes  
14 delinquent shall immediately become a lien upon the premises and such lien may be  
15 foreclosed by the City as provided by state law. Wastewater charges or any part thereof  
16 which become delinquent shall bear interest as authorized by RCW 35.67.200, at the rate of  
17 eight percent (8%) per year, or such rate as may hereafter be authorized by state law,  
18 computed on a monthly basis (~~from the date of delinquency until paid~~). Interest shall be  
19 added to all wastewater charges that remain unpaid thirty (30) days or more from their  
20 billing date and shall continue until such charges are paid. As authorized, RCW 35.67.200  
21 shall have the effect and the City shall have a lien for all delinquent and unpaid wastewater  
22 charges, including interest thereon, against any parcel for which the wastewater charges are  
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26 reimbursement of reasonable costs of collection including but not limited to attorney's fees,  
27 staff time, and filing fees. As an additional and concurrent method of the collection of any  
28 such wastewater rate or charge, the Director of Seattle Public Utilities shall have the  
29 authority to cut off the water service or supply from the premises to which such rate or  
30 charge for wastewater has attached until such rates and charges are paid.

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2 Section 21.76.040 (Ordinance 104472 as last amended by Ordinance 118803) are amended  
3 as follows:  
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5 **21.76.040 Utility low income rate assistance.**

6 A. Drainage, Wastewater, and Water. Persons qualified by the ((Department of Housing  
7 and Human Services)) Human Services Department as eligible recipients of low income  
8 utility credits provided for in Section 21.76.010 (eligible recipients) shall be granted low  
9 income billing credits in the following amounts:

10 1. Wastewater. Eligible recipients billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities for  
11 wastewater services and residing in single-family dwellings shall receive a credit equal to  
12 0.5 times the current billing. Eligible recipients not billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities  
13 for wastewater services shall receive the following credits based on dwelling type:  
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|  | <u>Effective January 1, 1999</u> | <u>Effective January 1, 2000</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 15 Single-family and duplex (( <del>\$12.15</del> )) | \$12.36 per month                | <u>\$12.45 per month</u>         |
| 16 Multifamily dwelling (( <del>\$6.08</del> ))      | \$6.18 per month                 | <u>\$6.23 per month</u>          |

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20 2. Drainage. Eligible recipients residing inside The City of Seattle shall receive  
21 the following credits for drainage services based on dwelling type:

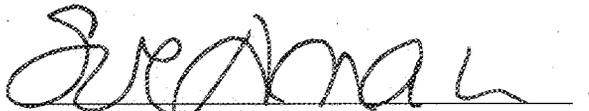
|  | <u>Effective January 1, 1999</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|
| 22 Single-family dwelling (( <del>\$1.795</del> )) | <u>\$3.026 per month</u>         |
| 23 Duplex dwelling (( <del>\$0.898</del> ))        | <u>\$1.513 per month</u>         |
| 24 Multifamily dwelling (( <del>\$0.26</del> ))    | <u>\$0.32 per month</u>          |

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1 Section 5. Any act consistent with authority and prior to the effective date of this ordinance  
2 is hereby ratified and confirmed.

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4 Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its  
5 approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days  
6 after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

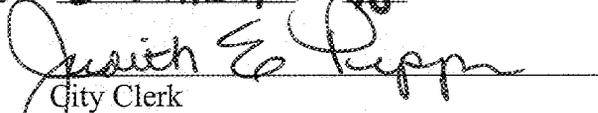
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8 Passed by the City Council the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 1998, and signed by  
9 me in open session in authentication of its passage this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November,  
10 1998.

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12 \_\_\_\_\_  
13 President of the City Council

14 Approved by me this 2nd day of December, 1998.

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17 Paul Schell, Mayor

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19 Filed by me this 2nd day of December, 1998.

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22 City Clerk

23 (SEAL)



# City of Seattle

Paul Schell, Mayor

## Seattle Public Utilities

Diana Gale, Director

September 9, 1998

Sue Donaldson, President  
Seattle City Council  
City of Seattle

Via: Paul Schell, Mayor

Attention: Anne Fiske Zuniga  
Budget Director, Executive Services Department

Subject: Proposed Drainage and Wastewater Rates Ordinance

Honorable Members:

Attached for your action is a proposed ordinance that authorizes new drainage and wastewater rates, revises credits for qualified low-income customers, and clarifies interest charges on delinquent wastewater accounts.

### Background

The major driver of wastewater rate increases has historically been increases in the County's treatment charge, which represents approximately 65% of the Drainage and Wastewater's (DWF) operating budget. To a lesser extent, rates have also increased to help fund DWF's CIP and to reflect inflationary costs. Due to recent stable County treatment charges, wastewater rates have not increased since January of 1996. The wastewater rate increases in this ordinance are to cover County treatment charge increases (2000 only), inflationary costs, continued capital improvement needs, and programmatic initiatives.

Drainage rate increases have been driven primarily by CIP funding needs and inflationary costs. Drainage rates were last increased in January of 1998 to help fund drainage spot improvements, the Landslide and Drainage Study, and an increase in drainage maintenance. The winter storms of 1996-97 and the accompanying flooding and landslides brought to light inadequacies in our existing drainage system. The 1999 drainage rate increase in this ordinance will serve to dramatically expand our drainage program to help alleviate flooding, reduce landslide occurrences, and accelerate the maintenance and rehabilitation of the drainage system. The rate increase for single family residences is higher than for commercial properties because most of the costs for these drainage improvements are related to predominantly residential areas.

The ordinance also includes revisions of credits for qualified low-income customers because the credits are based on the rates themselves, and therefore change as the rates change. A provision is also included which clarifies the imposition of delinquent wastewater charges and provides consistency across collection of SPU funds billed on the Combined Utility Billing System (CUBS).

**Impact of the Proposed Ordinance**

The wastewater rate increases will generate approximately \$1.5 million additional dollars in 1999 and \$3.0 million in 2000. The 1999 drainage rate increase will generate about \$5.7 million additional dollars.

| Revenue Impact | 1999        | 2000        |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Wastewater     | \$1,468,417 | \$3,012,735 |
| Drainage       | \$5,656,400 | \$0         |

I recommend the Council take favorable action on this ordinance.

Sincerely,



Diana Gale, Director  
Seattle Public Utilities

**Attachments**

cc: Nick Pealy  
Trisha Erickson

**Legislation Fiscal Note**

Each piece of legislation that is financial in nature will be accompanied by a fiscal note. The fiscal note should be drafted by department staff and will identify operating, capital, revenue, and FTE impacts of the legislation.

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| <b>Department:</b><br>Seattle Public Utilities | <b>Contact Person/Phone:</b><br>Trisha Erickson 4-8082 | <b>CBO Analyst/Phone:</b><br>Jeff Davis 4-8071 |
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**Legislation Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to drainage and wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.33.030 to adjust drainage rates; amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.28.040 to adjust wastewater rates; amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.28.260 to clarify the imposition of interest charges on delinquent wastewater accounts; and amending Seattle Municipal Code 21.76.040 to revise credits to low-income wastewater and drainage customers.

**Summary of the Legislation:** This ordinance puts in place wastewater rate increases for 1999 and 2000 and drainage rate increases for 1999-2000. Low-income rate assistance credits are also adjusted for both drainage and wastewater. A provision to clarify the imposition of delinquent wastewater charges is also added to provide consistency across collection of SPU funds billed on the Combined Utility Billing System (CUBS).

**Background (Include justification for the legislation and funding history, if applicable):**

Past practice has been to set drainage and wastewater rates in sync with the two year budget. The drainage rate increase results from a dramatic expansion of the drainage program to help alleviate flooding, reduce landslide occurrences, and accelerate the maintenance and rehabilitation of our existing drainage system. Wastewater rate increases are a result of a projected increase in treatment costs by King County in 2000, inflationary costs, an increase in debt service costs relating to continued capital needs, and programmatic initiatives.

**Sustainability Issues (related to grant awards):** N/A

**Estimated Expenditure Impacts:**

| FUND         | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
|--------------|------|------|------|
| Wastewater   | NA   | NA   | NA   |
| Drainage     | NA   | NA   | NA   |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |      |      |      |

One-time \$ \_\_\_\_\_

On-going \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Estimated Revenue Impacts:**

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**Estimated FTE Impacts:**

| FUND         | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 |
|--------------|------|------|------|
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| <b>TOTAL</b> |      |      |      |

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**Other Issues (including long-term implications of the legislation):**

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17 and 1997; and

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19 WHEREAS, most of the wastewater costs incurred by the City Drainage and Wastewater  
20 Fund are for wastewater treatment by King County, and, therefore, City wastewater  
21 rates usually are revised when King County changes its wastewater treatment rate;  
22 and

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24 WHEREAS, King County is projecting a 2.3% treatment rate increase in 2000 which  
25 translates to approximately a \$2 million increase in wastewater revenue  
26 requirements; and

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28 WHEREAS, continued water conservation following the 1992 drought has resulted in  
29 declines in water and wastewater volumes which causes a reduction in revenue;

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3 ~~1998. Effective January 1, 1999 the wastewater volume rate shall be Four Dollars and~~  
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7 A. Drainage, Wastewater, and Water. Persons qualified by the Department of Housing and  
8 Human Services as eligible recipients of low income utility credits provided for in Section  
9 21.76.010 (eligible recipients) shall be granted low income billing credits in the following  
10 amounts:

11 1. Wastewater. Eligible recipients billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities for  
12 wastewater services and residing in single-family dwellings shall receive a credit equal to 0.5  
13 times the current billing. Eligible recipients not billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities for  
14 wastewater services shall receive the following credits based on dwelling type:

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|                             | <u>Effective January 1, 1999</u>              | <u>Effective January 1, 2000</u> |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 18 Single-family and duplex | <del>((12.15))</del> <u>\$12.36</u> per month | <u>\$12.69</u> per month         |
| 19 Multifamily dwelling     | <del>((6.08))</del> <u>\$6.18</u> per month   | <u>\$6.35</u> per month          |

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21 2. Drainage. Eligible recipients residing inside The City of Seattle shall receive  
22 the following credits for drainage services based on dwelling type:

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|                           | <u>Effective January 1, 1999</u>              |
|---------------------------|---|
| 25 Single-family dwelling | <del>((1.795))</del> <u>\$3.375</u> per month |
| 27 Duplex dwelling        | <del>((0.898))</del> <u>\$1.688</u> per month |
| 29 Multifamily dwelling   | <del>((0.26))</del> <u>\$0.30</u> per month   |

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Section 5. Any act consistent with authority and prior to the effective date of this ordinance is hereby ratified and confirmed.

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Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998.

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

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Schell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

(SEAL)

STATE OF WASHINGTON - KING COUNTY

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City of Seattle, City Clerk

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No.

Affidavit of Publication

The undersigned, on oath states that he is an authorized representative of The Daily Journal of Commerce, a daily newspaper, which newspaper is a legal newspaper of general circulation and it is now and has been for more than six months prior to the date of publication hereinafter referred to, published in the English language continuously as a daily newspaper in Seattle, King County, Washington, and it is now and during all of said time was printed in an office maintained at the aforesaid place of publication of this newspaper. The Daily Journal of Commerce was on the 12th day of June, 1941, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of King County.

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12/22/98

The amount of the fee charged for the foregoing publication is the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, which amount has been paid in full.

*R. Peterson*

Subscribed and sworn to before me on

12/22/98

*McCluney*

Notary Public for the State of Washington,  
residing in Seattle

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service less than six (6) months as of  
January 1, 1999 may become members as of  
January 1, 1999.

Section 2. Subsection D of section 4.36.110 of the Seattle Municipal Code is amended as follows:

**4.36.110 CONTRIBUTIONS -- CITY MATCHING FUNDS.**

D. No City or employee contribution shall be made for the first six (6) months of (re)City service before an employee, who commences City service on or after January 1, 1998, becomes eligible for membership in the retirement system, except when an officer or employee becomes a member during the first six (6) months of City service as authorized by subsection I of Section 4.36.100.

Section 3. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this ordinance is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the 7th day of December, 1998, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 7th day of December, 1998.

SUE DONALDSON,  
President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 10th day of December, 1998.  
PAUL SCHELL,  
Mayor.

Filed by me this 14th day of December, 1998.  
(Seal) ERIN DANFELD,  
Acting City Clerk.

Publication ordered by JUDITH PIPPIN,  
City Clerk.  
Date of official publication in Daily Journal of Commerce, Seattle, December 22, 1998. 12/22/100410

# City of Seattle

## ORDINANCE NO. 119269

AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Public Utilities and the Human Services Department, clarifying the qualifications for utility rate assistance, and amending Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.76.030 in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the City supports the provision of utility rate assistance to low income customers; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to ensure that the qualifications for water, waste water, drainage and solid waste rate assistance are consistent; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Seattle Municipal Code 21.76.030, Ordinance 104472, as last amended by Ordinance 118396, is amended as follows:

### 21.76.030 QUALIFICATION

(A. To implement the program provided for in Section 21.76.010, credits

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receive the following credits:

Effective January 1, 1997 \$7.50 per month

Effective January 1, 1998 \$8.00 per month

Effective January 1, 1999 \$8.29 per month

Effective January 1, 2000 \$8.53 per month

Eligible recipients not billed directly by Seattle Public Utilities for water delivery and residing in multifamily dwellings shall receive the following credits:

Effective January 1, 1997 \$3.00 per month

Effective January 1, 1998 \$3.20 per month

Effective January 1, 1999 \$3.28 per month

Effective January 1, 2000 \$3.37 per month

Section 4. Subsection C of Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.04.465, Ordinance 112686, as last amended by Ordinance 118396, is amended as follows:

### SMC 21.04.465 STANDARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES

C. Any standard charges, including administrative charges, (and interest rates)