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3 **ORDINANCE** 118127<sup>9</sup> EMS  
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5 AN ORDINANCE relating to rates and charges for water services of Seattle Public Utilities; revising  
6 water rates and charges for master metered residential developments outside the City of  
7 Seattle and amending Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 21.04.440.D in connection  
8 therewith.

9 WHEREAS, The Highlands is a nonprofit corporation and private residential neighborhood  
10 located in the City of Shoreline within the retail water service area of Seattle Public  
11 Utilities (SPU); and

12 WHEREAS, SPU has served The Highlands as a retail water customer through a master meter  
13 since 1971; and

14 WHEREAS, The Highlands operates and maintains a system to distribute the purchased water to  
15 its residents and receives revenues from its residents to pay the costs of the purchased  
16 water and the operation of its system; and

17 WHEREAS, the State of Washington Department of Revenue (DOR) informed The Highlands  
18 in April 2013 that it is subject to the State Public Utility Tax (PUT) on revenues received  
19 from its residents, and directed The Highlands to pay the PUT directly to DOR  
20 retroactively to January 2009 and going forward; and

21 WHEREAS, SPU had paid the PUT on the revenues it received from The Highlands for the same  
22 period and in December 2013, DOR confirmed that SPU could deduct the revenues it  
23 received from The Highlands from the revenues on which SPU pays the PUT, and  
24 refunded that portion of PUT paid by SPU since January 2009; which, will in turn, be  
25 refunded to The Highlands; and

26 WHEREAS, SPU's retail rates are structured to collect revenues to cover the costs of the PUT  
27 paid by SPU; and

28 WHEREAS, the retail rates and customer class definition under The City of Shoreline and City  
of Lake Forest Park Master Metered Residential Developments under Seattle Municipal  
Code (SMC) 21.04.440.D.2 needs to be revised to reflect that The Highlands now pays  
the PUT directly to DOR; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Seattle Municipal Code Section 21.04.440.D.2 is amended to read as follows:

**21.04.440 Rates outside the City of Seattle**

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D. Rates Inside the City of Shoreline and City of Lake Forest Park. Rates and charges in this SMC Subsection D apply to retail customers of Seattle Public Utilities located within the City of Shoreline and City of Lake Forest Park who are not served under the terms of a wholesale contract. Seasonal rates shall be prorated. For usage representing fractional parts of a month, the base service charge and all components of the commodity charge shall be prorated using a 30 day month. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the rates and charges for water supplied shall be as follows:

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2. City of Shoreline and City of Lake Forest Park Master Metered Residential Developments.

a. The rates for residential developments with master meters of 1 1/2 inches or larger, which operate and maintain their own distribution systems on private property, ~~((and))~~ which use water primarily to serve single-family, detached residences on at least two separate legal parcels, and which do not pay Public Utility Taxes under RCW 82.16 directly to the State of Washington shall be based on a commodity charge and a base service charge, in accordance with the following schedule:

1                   **((Effective January 1, 2011:**

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3                   **Commodity Charge** \_\_\_\_\_ **Per 100 Cubic Feet**

4                   **Summer (May 16th – September 15th)**

5                   \_\_\_\_\_ **First 500 cubic feet per residence** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$4.83**

6                   \_\_\_\_\_ **Next 1300 cubic feet per residence** \_\_\_\_\_ **5.62**

7                   \_\_\_\_\_ **All over 1800 cubic feet per residence** \_\_\_\_\_ **14.31**

8                   **Winter (September 16th – May 15th)**

9                   \_\_\_\_\_ **All usage** \_\_\_\_\_ **4.39**

10                   **Base Service Charge**

11                   **Meter Size** \_\_\_\_\_ **Monthly Charge**

12                   \_\_\_\_\_ **1 1/2 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ 25.10**

13                   \_\_\_\_\_ **2 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **27.80**

14                   \_\_\_\_\_ **3 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **102.70**

15                   \_\_\_\_\_ **4 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **147.20**

16                   \_\_\_\_\_ **6 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **181.00**

17                   \_\_\_\_\_ **8 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **241.00**

18                   \_\_\_\_\_ **10 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **360.00**

19                   \_\_\_\_\_ **12 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **488.00**

20                   \_\_\_\_\_ **16 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **579.00**

21                   \_\_\_\_\_ **20 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **745.00**

22                   \_\_\_\_\_ **24 inch** \_\_\_\_\_ **935.00**

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24                   **Effective January 1, 2012:**

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26                   **Commodity Charge** \_\_\_\_\_ **Per 100 Cubic Feet**

27                   **Summer (May 16th – September 15th)**

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1	First 500 cubic feet per residence	\$5.26
2	Next 1300 cubic feet per residence	6.25
3	All over 1800 cubic feet per residence	14.31
4	Winter (September 16th - May 15th)	
5	All usage	4.90

**Base Service Charge**

7	Meter Size	Monthly Charge
8	1 1/2 inch	\$ 25.55
9	2 inch	28.30
10	3 inch	104.70
11	4 inch	150.10
12	6 inch	184.70
13	8 inch	241.00
14	10 inch	360.00
15	12 inch	488.00
16	16 inch	579.00
17	20 inch	745.00
18	24 inch	935.00

**Effective January 1, 2013:**

**Commodity Charge Per 100 Cubic Feet**

Summer (May 16th - September 15th)

23	First 500 cubic feet per residence	\$5.74
24	Next 1300 cubic feet per residence	6.94
25	All over 1800 cubic feet per residence	14.31
26	Winter (September 16th - May 15th)	
27	All usage	5.46



1	4 inch	155.80
2	6 inch	191.70
3	8 inch	241.00
4	10 inch	360.00
5	12 inch	488.00
6	16 inch	579.00
7	20 inch	745.00
8	24 inch	935.00

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10 b. The rates for residential developments with master meters of 1 1/2 inches or larger, which  
11 operate and maintain their own distribution systems on private property, which use water  
12 primarily to serve single-family, detached residences on at least two separate legal parcels, and  
13 which do pay Public Utility Taxes under RCW 82.16 directly to the State of Washington shall be  
14 based on a commodity charge and a base service charge, in accordance with the following  
15 schedule:

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18 **Effective August 1, 2014:**

<b><u>Commodity Charge</u></b>	<b><u>Per 100 Cubic Feet</u></b>
<b><u>Summer (May 16th - September 15th)</u></b>	
<u>First 500 cubic feet per residence</u>	<u>\$5.82</u>
<u>Next 1300 cubic feet per residence</u>	<u>7.20</u>
<u>All over 1800 cubic feet per residence</u>	<u>13.39</u>
<b><u>Winter (September 16th - May 15th)</u></b>	
<u>All usage</u>	<u>5.66</u>

**Base Service Charge**

<b><u>Meter Size</u></b>	<b><u>Monthly Charge</u></b>
1 1/2 inch	\$ 24.80
2 inch	27.45
3 inch	101.75
4 inch	145.80
6 inch	179.40
8 inch	225.55
10 inch	336.90
12 inch	456.70
16 inch	541.90
20 inch	697.25
24 inch	875.05

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Section 2. Prior ordinances of the City setting rates and charges for water services of Seattle Public Utilities shall continue in effect with respect to obligations incurred for water services rendered before the effective date of this ordinance, unless and until such prior ordinances expire of their own terms or are superseded.

1 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by  
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it  
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020 or August 1, 2014,  
4 whichever is later  
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7 Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 and signed by me in open  
8 session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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

12 Approved by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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15 Edward B. Murray, Mayor

16 Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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19 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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