SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN SEWER DISTRICT KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-12-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN SEWER DISTRICT, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, REVISING THE METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING COMMERCIAL RATES AND CHARGES, ESTABLISHING A POLICY RELATED TO UTILITY TAXES IMPOSED BY CITIES, AND AMENDING PREVIOUS RATE RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, RCW 57.08.081 authorizes the Southwest Suburban Sewer District ("District") to fix rates and charges for furnishing sewer service and facilities to those to whom sewer service is available and for providing such service, such rates and charges to be fixed as deemed necessary by the District Board of Commissioners so that uniform charges will be made for the same class of customer or service and facility; and

WHEREAS, RCW 57.08.081 authorizes the District Board of Commissioners in classifying customers to consider in its discretion several factors including the difference in cost to various customers, the location of the various customers within and without the District, the difference in cost of maintenance, operation, repair and replacement of the various parts of the system, the different character of the service furnished to various customers, the quantity and quality of the service and facility furnished, the time of its use, and any other matters which present a reasonable difference as a ground for a distinction in the establishment of sewer service rates and charges; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to revise the methodology for determining commercial rates without making any additional changes to the rates previously approved by Resolution No. 2020-11-01; and

WHEREAS, RCW 57.12.010 provides that the District Board of Commissioners shall adopt rules governing the transaction of its business; and

WHEREAS, the District provides sewer service to customers within the boundaries of Washington cities; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, cities may elect to impose a utility tax on the District for the sewer service it provides to its customers within that city's boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the District believes it is fair to all customers that the customers residing within the boundaries of the cities imposing a utility tax be charged an additional amount equal to the utility tax amount imposed by the respective cities in which they reside; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Southwest Suburban Sewer District, King County, Washington, that Resolution No. 2020-11-01 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 1. The single family residence customer rate will increase \$2.00 per month, effective January 1, 2021, changing from a rate of \$38.75 per month to \$40.75 per month.
- 2. The multi-family (apartment) per unit rate will increase \$2.00 per month, effective January 1, 2021, changing from a rate of \$38.75 per month to \$40.75 per month.
- 3. The commercial/governmental (commercial) per unit base rate will increase \$2.00 per month effective January 1, 2021, changing from a rate of \$38.75 per month to \$40.75 per month. In addition to the per unit base rate, commercial and governmental users will be required to pay an additional charge of \$5.00 per 100 cubic feet (CF) of water usage for each additional 100 CF over the 750 CF base amount. Water usage above the 750 CF base amount will be based on actual water usage data obtained from districts providing water service on a monthly or bi-monthly basis.
- 4. There are no industrial users within the District, such rates will be formulated when there is an industrial user within the District boundaries and subject to the District's service charge.
- 5. Low-income sewer service rates will increase \$1.00 per month, effective January 1, 2021, changing from \$19.00 per month to \$20.00 per month.
- 6. All rates of contractual customers of the District will be increased pursuant to contracts between the user and the District.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that District customers residing within the boundaries of a city imposing a utility tax on the District shall be charged an additional amount equal to the utility tax imposed by the city in which the customer resides, plus applicable state taxes. The District's bills for sewer service may reflect the nature and extent of these additional charges.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all District resolutions, policies and procedures are hereby amended to be in accordance with this Resolution.

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ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Southwest Suburban Sewer District at a regular open public meeting held on December 15th, 2020.

SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN SEWER DISTRICT

KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON Individual Commissioners Vote on Resolution In Favor of: Opposed: Abstained President and Commissioner In Favor of: Opposed: Suzy Genzale Abstained: Vice President and Commissioner DocuSigned by: William Tracy In Favor of: William A. Tracy Opposed: Secretary and Commissioner Abstained:

CERTIFICATE

I, William A. Tracy, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Southwest Suburban Sewer District, King County, Washington, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2020-12-01 of such Board, duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 15th day of December, 2020, signed by the members of such Board in attendance at such meeting and attested by myself in authentication of such adoption.

DocuSigned by:

William Tracy

William A. Tracy, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Southwest Suburban Sewer District
King County, Washington.