ORDINANCE NO. 1303

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING RATES FOR THE CITY'S COMBINED UTILITY FOR THE YEAR 2025-2030, AMENDING SNOQUALMIE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 13.08.010, 13.08.090, 13.10.050, AND 13.12.010; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie operates a combined water, wastewater, and stormwater utility pursuant to RCW 35A.80.010 and Chapters 35.67 and 35.92 RCW; and

WHEREAS, water, sewer, and storm water services provided by the combined utility of the City of Snoqualmie are critical to the health and welfare of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City produces Class A reclaimed water as a by-product of its wastewater treatment process and delivers it to a reservoir (Eagle Lake) for use by the City's bulk rate customers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Growth Management Act (GMA), Ch. 36.70A RCW, the City has adopted a GMA Comprehensive Plan, entitled Snoqualmie 2044, which describes the City that residents wish to leave to future generations, expresses goals and policies to guide that vision, provides a generalized land use plan for the City and its urban growth area, provides for the existing population as well as the population and employment growth anticipated to occur through the year 2044, establishes the foundation for implementing programs and regulations, and provides a guide for City budgeting; and

WHEREAS, as required by law, Snoqualmie 2044 also includes a Capital Facilities and Utilities Elements, which includes the following: (a) identifies the general location, proposed location, and capacity of the City's existing and proposed water, sewer and stormwater utility facilities; (b) sets forth a forecast of the future needs for such capital facilities; (c) shows the proposed locations and

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finance such capital facilities within projected funding capacities; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the utility planning set forth in Snoqualmie 2044, the has a

General Sewer Plan, Water System Plan, and Stormwater Management Plan, which itemize and

describe those capital improvements to the City's sewer, water, and stormwater infrastructure that

are necessary to maintain the City's combined utility system and provide sufficient capacity to

serve the population and employment growth anticipated in the City's GMA Comprehensive Plan;

and

WHEREAS, the City's 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Plan ("CIP") constitutes the six-

year plan called for by the GMA's Capital Facilities Element requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized by RCW 35A.80.010, RCW 35.67.020 and RCW

35.92.020 to fix, alter, regulate, maintain, and control the rates and charges for services and

facilities provided by its utilities; and

WHEREAS, the City monitors revenues and expenditures periodically to ensure that

revenues exceed expenditures, and to determine whether additional adjustments to utility rates

are required in order to ensure that revenues will continue to exceed expenditures; and

WHEREAS, rate and charge adjustments are necessary from time to time to ensure that

sufficient revenue exists to properly maintain the City's combined utility and provide adequate

services to customers of the combined utility; and

WHEREAS, a 2025-2030 Utility Rate Study was conducted by Financial Consulting

Solutions (FCS) Group that developed proposed rates for each utility for the period from 2025

through 2030; and

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WHEREAS, the 2025-2030 Utility Rate Study concluded that water, sewer and stormwater rate and charge increases in the amounts set forth herein are required in order to pay the ongoing costs of operating and maintaining the City's combined utility and to pay the capital costs of those necessary improvements to the City's water, sewer and stormwater infrastructure set forth in the City's adopted 2023-2028 CIP; and

WHEREAS, a duly noticed public hearing was held on March 24, 2025, regarding the rates and charges established herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Section 13.08.010 Amended. Section 13.08.010 of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code is hereby amended and adopted to read as follows (amendments shown in strikethrough/underline format for ease of reference):

13.08.010 Residential Rates and charges.

The following monthly sewer rates and charges are hereby imposed on residential and multifamily customers:

A. Residential: This customer class includes each separately metered single-family residence, trailer or mobile home in a trailer court or mobile home park, and each separately metered townhome or duplex residential unit.

Residential Rate		2022 2026	2023 2027			2026 2030
	\$78.99	\$80.57	\$82.16	\$84.62	\$85.37	\$86.99
	\$92.66	\$94.74	\$96.87	\$99.05	\$101.28	\$103.56

B. Multifamily: This customer class includes apartment, condominium, multiplex, and duplex structures that are served by a single, master water meter rather than individual residential unit meters.

Multifamily Data	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Multifamily Rate	\$62.87	\$62.13	\$61.35	\$63.19	\$59.67	\$58.76
	\$64.45	\$65.09	\$65.09	\$65.09	\$65.09	\$65.09

- C. Rates for residential sewer service outside the corporate limits shall be 1.5 times the rates within the City limits.
 - 1. Residential: Outside City Limits

Residential	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	2030
Rate	\$138.99	\$142.11	\$145.31	\$148.58	\$151.92	\$155.34

2. Multifamily: Outside City Limits

Multifamily	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	2029	<u>2030</u>
Rates	\$96.68	<u>\$97.64</u>	<u>\$97.64</u>	<u>\$97.64</u>	<u>\$97.64</u>	<u>\$97.64</u>

- D. A "low-income residential customer" means an individual:
 - Who owns or rents and resides in the residence where the discounted rate(s) are being requested;
 - 2. Whose residence has a separate water meter;
 - 3. Whose total household annual income meets the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Income Limits for Very Low Income in King County, Washington.

 Household annual income shall include income of a spouse or any co-resident(s), where

"annual income" is defined as Adjusted Gross Income as indicated in the most recent Federal Income Tax return. In the absence of a Federal Income Tax return, the Finance Director may consider other documentation of household annual income; and

- 4. Who is not nor is any other adult member of the household claimed as a dependent on another federal income tax return; and
- 5. Who is named customer on the City's utility bill or can prove that he or she is the named tenant in a lease or rental agreement for that residence.
- E. The Finance Director shall create an application form and a renewal form for residential customers requesting the low-income residential customer discount.
 - 1. Applications shall be available at City Hall or mailed to any City customer upon request.
 - The low-income residential customer seeking the low-income discount must complete an
 application renewal form annually in order to continue receiving the low-income
 residential customer discount.
 - 3. A notice of renewal of application will be mailed annually by the City to low-income residential customers then receiving the discount. The completed renewal application form and required attachments must be returned to the City within 30 days or the discount will no longer apply.
 - 4. Discounts will commence on the next subsequent billing date following application.
 - 5. A low-income residential customer who applied for and received the discount in the prior year, but who has failed to submit the renewal form within the required 30 days and whose low-income customer discount was discontinued as a result, may request a one-time only retroactive application of the low-income discount for not more than 2 billing cycles or two months.

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- 6. A low-income residential customer is not eligible for the low-income discount if his or her annual water consumption is in excess of 100 cubic feet (ccf) per year on a calendar year basis. An applicant may appeal the criteria to the Finance Director and must provide a convincing justification for the excess usage.
- F. The sewer bill for a low-income residential customer whose application is determined by the Finance Director to meet the criteria of subsections D and E above will be discounted by 30 percent.

Section 2. Section 13.08.090 Amended. Section 13.08.090 of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code is hereby amended and adopted to read as follows:

13.08.090 Commercial Base and Volume Rate Structure

A. The following monthly sewer rates and charges are hereby imposed on the commercial and industrial customer classifications. This customer class includes without limitation hotels, restaurants, schools, hospitals, churches, lodges, intermittently used buildings, government uses, potable irrigation, and commercial or industrial uses. This customer class includes all business/industrial types identified in section 13.08.080 as well as emerging business or industrial types of the City may classify in the future to protect the sewerage system and prevent cost of service inequities.

Commercial Rate		2022 2026				2026 2030		
Base monthly unit charge, for water consumption up to 600 cubic feet								
Low Commercial	\$97.92 \$116.45	\$99.88 \$119.94	\$101.85 \$123.54	\$104.91 \$127.25	\$105.83 \$131.07	\$107.84 \$135.00		
High Commercial	\$121.72 \$156.57	\$126.19 \$167.65	\$130.78 \$180.10	\$134.70 \$193.07	\$140.31 \$206.57	\$145.20 \$220.63		
Volume charge, for each additional 100 cubic feet or portion thereof (above 600 cubic feet)								
Low Commercial	\$7.09	\$7.23	\$7.37	\$7.59	\$7.65	\$7.80		

Commercial Rate		2022 2026	2023 2027	2024 2028	2025 2029	2026 2030
	\$8.42	<u>\$8.67</u>	\$8.93	\$9.20	<u>\$9.48</u>	<u>\$9.76</u>
High Commercial	\$9.64 \$12.39	\$9.99 \$13.27	\$10.35 \$14.26	\$10.66 \$15.29	\$11.11 \$16.36	\$11.50 \$17.47

B. For commercial customers, the base monthly unit charge will be added to an estimated volumetric charge for the water used at the premises, based upon the average usage for the corresponding month of the preceding year, averaged over a three-month period including the preceding and following month. In the event there is no prior history for the preceding year, the charge shall be based upon the average water usage for the month for all customers of the municipal water supply system in the same service class.

Section 3. Section 13.12.010 Amended. Section 13.12.010 of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code is hereby amended and adopted to read as follows:

13.12.10 Rates and charges.

The following rates and charges for all water are hereby imposed:

- A. Each ratepayer shall pay for water service based on the applicable meter size. Rates for water service shall consist of a monthly base service charge based on rate classification, plus a volume charge also based on rate class.
- B. Residential: This customer class includes each separately metered single-family residence, trailer or mobile home in a trailer court or mobile home park, and each separately metered residential unit in a townhome or duplex.
 - 1. The base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location within or without the corporate limits of the city, for all residential water classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water, shall be as follows:

Base charge	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
(Meter Size)	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
3/4"	\$34.36	\$35.63	\$36.95	\$39.17	\$39.74	\$41.21
	\$40.74	\$42.37	\$44.06	\$45.82	\$47.65	\$49.56
1"	\$43.14	\$44.74	\$46.40	\$49.18	\$49.90	\$51.75
	\$51.15	\$53.20	\$55.33	\$57.54	\$59.84	\$62.23
1-1/2"	\$71.50	\$74.15	\$76.89	\$81.50	\$82.68	\$85.74
	\$84.76	\$88.15	\$91.68	\$95.35	\$99.16	\$103.13
2"	\$119.30	\$123.71	\$128.29	\$135.99	\$137.96	\$143.06
	\$141.43	\$147.09	\$152.97	\$159.09	\$165.45	\$172.07
3"	\$179.13	\$185.76	\$192.63	\$204.19	\$207.15	\$214.81
	\$212.36	\$220.85	\$229.68	\$238.87	\$248.42	\$258.36
4"	\$238.81	\$247.65	\$256.81	\$272.22	\$276.16	\$286.38
	\$283.11	\$294.43	\$306.21	\$318.46	\$331.20	\$344.45
6"	\$357.98	\$371.23	\$384.97	\$408.07	\$413.98	\$429.30
	\$424.39	\$441.37	\$459.02	\$477.38	\$496.48	\$516.34
8"	\$477.35	\$495.01	\$513.33	\$544.13	\$552.02	\$572.44
	\$565.90	\$588.54	\$612.08	\$636.56	\$662.02	\$688.50

2. The following residential volume consumption rates are imposed for each 100 cubic feet (CCF) of usage for all water other than Class A reclaimed water according to location within or outside the corporate limits of the city:

Consumption Rate (per 100 cubic feet)	2021 2025	2022 2026	2023 2027	2024 2028		2026 2030
0-300 cf	\$2.26	\$2.34	\$2.43	\$2.58	\$2.61	\$2.71
	\$2.68	\$2.79	\$2.90	\$3.02	\$3.14	\$3.27
301-800 cf	\$3.80	\$3.94	\$4.09	\$4.34	\$4.40	\$4.56
	\$4.51	\$4.69	\$4.88	\$5.08	\$5.28	\$5.49
Over 801 cf	\$4.75	\$4.93	\$5.11	\$5.42	\$5.50	\$5.70
	\$5.64	\$5.87	\$6.10	\$6.34	\$6.59	\$6.85

- 3. Rates for outside City residential customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates for the base charge and the consumption rates.
 - a. Base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location outside the corporate limits of the city, for all residential water classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water, shall be as follows:

Base Charge (Meter Size)	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
3/4"	\$61.11	\$63.56	\$66.09	\$68.73	\$71.48	\$74.34
<u>1"</u>	\$76.73	\$79.80	\$83.00	\$86.31	\$89.76	\$93.35
1.5"	\$127.14	\$132.23	\$137.52	\$143.03	\$148.74	\$154.70
<u>2"</u>	\$212.15	\$220.64	\$229.46	\$238.64	\$248.18	\$258.11
<u>3"</u>	\$318.54	\$331.28	\$344.52	\$358.31	\$372.63	\$387.54
<u>4"</u>	\$424.67	<u>\$441.65</u>	\$459.32	\$477.69	\$496.80	\$516.68
<u>6"</u>	\$636.59	\$662.06	\$688.53	\$716.07	\$744.72	\$774.51
<u>8"</u>	<u>\$848.85</u>	\$882.81	\$918.12	\$954.84	\$993.03	\$1,032.75

b. The following residential volume consumption rates are imposed for each 100 cubic feet (CCF) of usage for all water other than Class A reclaimed water according to location outside the corporate limits of the city:

Consumption Rate (per 100 cubic feet)	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	2029	2030
Block 1 (0- 300cf)	<u>\$4.02</u>	<u>\$4.19</u>	<u>\$4.35</u>	<u>\$4.53</u>	<u>\$4.71</u>	<u>\$4.91</u>
Block 2 (301- 800cf)	<u>\$6.77</u>	\$7.04	\$7.32	\$7.62	\$7.92	\$8.24
Block 3 (801+cf)	\$8.43	\$8.81	<u>\$9.15</u>	\$9.51	\$9.89	\$10.28

3. Multifamily: This customer class includes apartment, condominium, multiplex, and duplex structures that are served by a single, master water meter rather than individual unit meters.

<u>a.</u> The base (minimum) service for each multifamily unit connected to the single master water meter other than Class A reclaimed water shall be as follows:

Base	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Charge	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Per unit	\$30.16	\$29.80	\$29.42	\$31.19	\$28.62	\$28.18
	\$31.19	\$31.19	\$31.19	\$31.19	\$31.19	\$31.19

b. The following multifamily volume consumption rates are imposed for each 100 cubic feet
 (CCF) of usage for all water other than Class A reclaimed water according to location
 within or outside the corporate limits of the city:

Volume Rate	2021 2025	2022 2026	2023 2027	2024 2028		2026 2030
Per 100 cf	\$2.70	\$2.67	\$2.64	\$2.80	\$2.56	\$2.52
	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80	\$2.80

- <u>c.</u> Rates for outside City multifamily customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates for the base charge and the consumption rates.
- c. Outside City multifamily customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates for the base charge and the consumption rates for each multifamily unit connected to the single master water meter other than Class A reclaimed water. Base (minimum) service shall be as follows:

Base Charge	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	2027	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>
Per Unit	\$46.79	\$46.79	\$46.79	\$46.79	\$46.79	\$46.79

d. Outside City multifamily customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City the consumption rates for each multifamily unit connected to the single master water meter other than Class A

reclaimed water. The following multifamily volume consumption rates are imposed for each 100 cubic feet (CCF) of usage for all water outside the corporate limits of the city:

Volume Rate	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	2027	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>
Per 100 cf	\$4.20	\$4.20	\$4.20	\$4.20	\$4.20	\$4.20

- Commercial: This customer class includes without limitation hotels, schools, hospitals, churches, lodges, intermittently used buildings, government uses, and commercial or industrial uses.
 - a. The base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location within or outside the corporate limits of the City, for all commercial water classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water shall be as follows:

Meter Size	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
3/4"	\$41.56	\$43.66	\$45.80	\$48.55	\$50.16	\$52.38
	\$50.86	\$53.20	\$55.58	\$57.99	\$60.43	\$62.89
1"	\$52.17	\$54.81	\$57.49	\$60.94	\$62.96	\$65.74
	\$63.83	\$66.77	\$69.75	\$72.77	\$75.83	\$78.92
1-1/2"	\$86.46	\$90.84	\$95.28	\$101.00	\$104.35	\$108.96
	\$105.80	\$110.67	\$115.61	\$120.62	\$125.69	\$130.81
2"	\$144.25	\$151.56	\$158.97	\$168.51	\$174.10	\$181.80
	\$176.51	\$184.64	\$192.89	\$201.25	\$209.70	\$218.24
3"	\$216.59	\$227.55	\$238.68	\$253.00	\$261.40	\$272.96
	\$265.01	\$277.21	\$289.59	\$302.13	\$314.82	\$327.64
4"	\$288.76	\$303.38	\$318.22	\$337.31	\$348.51	\$363.92
	\$353.33	\$369.60	\$386.11	\$402.84	\$419.76	\$436.86
6"	\$432.86	\$454.76	\$477.01	\$505.63	\$522.42	\$545.52
	\$529.22	\$554.03	\$578.77	\$603.84	\$629.21	\$654.84
8"	\$577.18	\$606.40	\$636.06	\$674.22	\$696.60	\$727.41
	\$706.24	\$738.76	\$771.76	\$805.19	\$839.02	\$873.19

<u>b.</u> The following commercial volume rates are imposed for each 100 cubic feet of usage for all water other than Class A reclaimed water according to location within or without the corporate limits of the city:

Volume charge		2022 2026		2024 2028	2025 2029	2026 2030
Per 100 cf	\$3.49	\$3.67	\$3.85	\$4.08	\$4.21	\$4.40
	\$4.27	\$4.47	\$4.67	\$4.87	\$5.07	\$5.28

c. Rates for outside City commercial customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates for the base charge and the consumption rates. <u>Base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location outside the corporate limits of the city, for all residential water classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water, shall be as follows:</u>

Meter Size	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>
3/4"	<u>\$76.29</u>	<u>\$79.80</u>	\$83.37	<u>\$86.99</u>	<u>\$90.65</u>	<u>\$94.34</u>
1"	<u>\$95.75</u>	\$100.16	\$104.63	\$109.16	\$113.75	\$118.38
1.5"	\$158.70	<u>\$166.01</u>	\$173.42	\$180.93	\$188.54	\$196.22
<u>2"</u>	\$264.77	<u>\$276.96</u>	\$289.34	\$301.88	<u>\$314.55</u>	\$327.36
<u>3"</u>	\$397.52	\$415.82	\$434.39	\$453.20	\$472.23	<u>\$491.46</u>
<u>4"</u>	\$530.00	<u>\$554.40</u>	<u>\$579.17</u>	<u>\$604.26</u>	<u>\$629.64</u>	<u>\$655.29</u>
<u>6"</u>	<u>\$794.46</u>	\$831.05	\$868.16	\$905.76	\$943.82	\$982.26
<u>8"</u>	\$1,059.36	\$1,108.14	\$1,157.64	\$1,207.79	\$1,258.53	\$1,309.79

d. Rates for outside City commercial customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates for the base charge and the consumption rates. Base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location outside the corporate limits of the city, for all residential water classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water, shall be as follows:

Volume Rate 2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	
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Per 100 cf \$6.4	\$6.71	\$7.01	\$7.31	<u>\$7.61</u>	\$7.92
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- E. Potable Irrigation: This customer class includes without limitation all customers listed under subsections B, C, and D of this section that receive irrigation water from the city's potable water distribution system.
 - 1. The base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location within or outside the corporate limits of the city, for all potable irrigation water classifications other than Class A reclaimed water shall be as follows:

Meter Size	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
3/4"	\$41.56	\$43.66	\$45.80	\$48.55	\$50.16	\$52.38
	\$55.12	\$58.84	\$62.81	\$67.05	\$71.58	\$76.41
1"	\$52.17	\$54.81	\$57.49	\$60.94	\$62.96	\$65.74
	\$69.18	\$73.85	\$78.83	\$84.15	\$89.83	\$95.89
1-1/2"	\$86.46	\$90.84	\$95.28	\$101.00	\$104.35	\$108.96
	\$114.65	\$122.39	\$130.65	\$139.47	\$148.88	\$158.93
2"	\$144.25	\$151.56	\$158.97	\$168.51	\$174.10	\$181.80
	\$191.31	\$204.22	\$218.00	\$232.72	\$248.43	\$265.20
3"	\$216.59	\$227.55	\$238.68	\$253.00	\$261.40	\$272.96
	\$287.22	\$306.61	\$327.31	\$349.40	\$372.98	\$398.16
4"	\$288.76	\$303.38	\$318.22	\$337.31	\$348.51	\$363.92
	\$382.94	\$408.79	\$436.38	\$465.84	\$497.28	\$530.85
6"	\$432.86	\$454.76	\$477.01	\$505.63	\$522.42	\$545.52
	\$574.03	\$612.78	\$654.14	\$698.29	\$745.42	\$795.74
8"	\$577.18	\$606.40	\$636.06	\$674.22	\$696.60	\$727.41
	\$765.44	\$817.11	\$872.26	\$931.14	\$993.99	\$1061.08

2. The following commercial volume rates are imposed for each 100 cubic feet of usage for all water other than Class A reclaimed water according to location within or without the corporate limits of the city:

Volume charge	2021 2025		2023 2027	2024 2028		2026 2030
Per 100 cf	\$3.49	\$3.67	\$3.85	\$4.08	\$4.21	\$4.40
	\$4.62	\$4.93	\$5.26	\$5.62	\$6.00	\$6.41

3. Rates for outside City commercial customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates for the base charge and the consumption rates. <u>Base (minimum) service, according to meter size and location outside the corporate limits of the city, for all residential water classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water, shall be as follows:</u>

Meter Size	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>
<u>3/4"</u>	<u>\$82.68</u>	\$88.26	\$94.22	\$100.58	\$107.37	<u>\$114.62</u>
<u>1"</u>	\$103.77	<u>\$110.78</u>	<u>\$118.25</u>	\$126.23	<u>\$134.75</u>	<u>\$143.84</u>
1.5"	\$171.98	\$183.59	\$195.98	\$209.21	\$223.32	\$238.40
<u>2"</u>	\$286.97	\$306.33	\$327.00	\$349.08	\$372.65	\$397.80
<u>3"</u>	\$430.83	\$459.92	<u>\$490.97</u>	\$524.10	\$559.47	\$597.24
<u>4"</u>	\$574.41	\$613.19	<u>\$654.57</u>	\$698.76	\$745.92	\$796.28
<u>6"</u>	\$861.05	\$919.17	\$981.21	\$1,047.44	\$1,118.13	\$1,193.61
<u>8"</u>	\$1,148.16	\$1,225.67	\$1,308.39	\$1,396.71	\$1,490.99	\$1,591.62

4. Rates for outside City commercial customers shall be 1.5 times the inside the City rates

for the base charge and the consumption rates. Base (minimum) service, according to

meter size and location outside the corporate limits of the city, for all residential water

classifications, other than Class A reclaimed water, shall be as follows:

Volume Rate	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	2029	<u>2030</u>
<u>Per 100 cf</u>	<u>\$6.93</u>	<u>\$7.40</u>	<u>\$7.89</u>	\$8.43	\$9.00	\$9.62

- F. Whenever two or more rate classifications are serviced by one meter, the highest of the utility rates is imposed on the customer.
- G. In computing the applicable water consumption charge for all customer classes, once the threshold is exceeded for each block, the next block's rate shall be used.
- H. In the event a customer is not connected to a meter service, or a meter has broken, become out of order or failed to accurately meter actual water usage, the customer shall be charged the base or minimum charge, together with an estimated charge for the water used at the premises, based upon the average usage for the corresponding month of the preceding year, averaged over a three-month period including the preceding and following month. In the event there is no prior history for the preceding year, the charge shall be based upon the average water usage for the month for all customers of the municipal water supply system in the same service class.
- I. A "low-income residential customer" means an individual:
 - Who owns or rents and resides in the residence where the discounted rate(s) are being requested;
 - 2. Whose residence has a separate water meter;
 - 3. Whose total household annual income meets the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development income limits for very low income in King County, Washington. Total household annual income shall include that of a spouse or any co-resident(s), where "annual income" is defined as adjusted gross income as indicated in the most recent federal income tax return. In the absence of a federal income tax return, the finance director may consider other documentation of household annual income;
 - 4. Who is not nor is any other adult member of the household claimed as a dependent on another federal income tax return; and

- 5. Who is named customer on the city's utility bill or can prove that he or she is the named tenant in a lease or rental agreement for that residence.
- J. The finance director shall create an application form and a renewal form for customers requesting a low-income residential customer discount provided by subsection K of this section.
 - 1. Applications shall be available at City Hall or mailed to any city customer upon request.
 - 2. The low-income residential customer seeking the discount must complete an application renewal form annually.
 - 3. A notice of renewal of application will be mailed annually by the city to low-income residential customers then receiving the low-income discount. The completed renewal application form and required attachments must be returned to the city within 30 days or the discount will no longer apply.
 - 4. Discounts will commence on the next subsequent billing date following application.
 - 5. A low-income residential customer who applied for and received the discount in the prior year, and whose low-income residential customer discount was discontinued as a result of the customer's failure to submit the renewal form within the required 30 days may request a one-time-only retroactive application of the low income discount for not more than two billing cycles or two months.
 - 6. A low-income residential customer is not eligible for the discount if his or her annual water consumption is in excess of 100 cf (hundred cubic feet) per year on a calendar year basis. Applicant may appeal the criteria to the finance director and must provide a convincing justification for the excess usage.

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- K. The water bill (including base and volume charges) of a customer whose application is determined by the finance director to meet the criteria of subsections I and J of this section will be discounted by 30 percent.
- L. The rate for retail customers of the municipal irrigation system for Class A reclaimed water shall be the base rate plus the volume rate specified below.
 - The base rate shall be based upon allocation of the existing total base among the current
 755 Class A reclaimed water zones in the city's computer-controlled irrigation system as follows:

	_	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Customer	Zones	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>
Per Zone Cost		\$8.01	\$8.24	\$8.49	\$8.74	\$9.00	\$9.27
		<u>\$9.79</u>	<u>\$10.18</u>	<u>\$10.59</u>	<u>\$11.01</u>	<u>\$11.45</u>	<u>\$11.91</u>
City of	358	\$2,864.00	\$2,950.00	\$3,039.00	\$3,129.00	\$3,222.00	\$3,319.00
Snoqualmie		\$3504.48	\$3644.66	<u>\$3790.45</u>	\$3942.07	<u>\$4099.75</u>	<u>\$4263.74</u>
Residential	239	\$1,912.00	\$1,969.00	\$2,029.00	\$2,089.00	\$2,151.00	\$2,216.00
Owners		<u>\$2339.68</u>	<u>\$2433.27</u>	\$2530.60	\$2631.82	<u>\$2737.09</u>	<u>\$2846.57</u>
Association							
Business Park	122	\$976.00	\$1,005.00	\$1,036.00	\$1,066.00	\$1,098.00	\$1,131.00
Owners		\$1193.92	\$1241.68	<u>\$1291.35</u>	\$1343.00	\$1396.72	<u>\$1452.59</u>
Association							
Snoqualmie	16	\$128.00	\$132.00	\$136.00	\$140.00	\$144.00	\$148.00
Ridge Joint		\$156.80	\$163.07	<u>\$169.59</u>	\$176.37	<u>\$183.42</u>	<u>\$190.76</u>
Committee							
Venture	16	\$128.00	\$132.00	\$136.00	\$140.00	\$144.00	\$148.00
Corporation		\$156.80	\$163.07	\$169.59	\$176.37	\$183.42	\$190.76
Bandera	4	\$32.00	\$33.00	\$34.00	\$35.00	\$36.00	\$37.00
Murray/Franklin		<u>\$39.20</u>	<u>\$40.77</u>	<u>\$42.40</u>	<u>\$44.10</u>	<u>\$45.86</u>	<u>\$47.69</u>
TOTAL	755.00	\$6,040.00	\$6,221.00	\$6,410.00	\$6,599.00	\$6,795.00	\$6,999.00
		\$7,390.88	\$7,686.52	\$7,993.98	\$8,313.736	\$8,646.26	\$8,992.11

2. There shall be added to the base rate a volume rate per 100 cubic feet as follows:

Rate	2021 2025	2022 2026	2023 2027	2024 2028	2025 2029	2026 2030
	<u> 2023</u>	<u> 2020</u>	<u> 2021</u>			
Per 100	\$3.03	\$3.12	\$3.21	\$3.31	\$3.41	\$3.51
cubic feet	<u>\$3.71</u>	<u>\$3.86</u>	<u>\$4.01</u>	<u>\$4.17</u>	<u>\$4.34</u>	<u>\$4.51</u>

- M. Rates for bulk customers shall be based upon the volume of water delivered to the customer's reservoir.
- 1. In the case of the Eagle Lake Reservoir at the Snoqualmie Ridge Golf Course, which also serves as the reservoir for reclaimed and/or raw water for the municipal distribution system for retail customers, the rate shall be based upon the difference between the amount of water delivered to the reservoir and the amount of water supplied from the municipal pump station at Eagle Lake to retail customers.
- 2. The rate for bulk customers shall be a volume rate as follows:

Rate	2021	2022 2023		202 4	2025	2026
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>
Per 100	\$0.89	\$0.92	\$0.95	\$0.98	\$1.01	\$1.04
cubic feet	\$1.10	\$1.14	\$1.19	\$1.24	\$1.29	\$1.34

Section 4. Section 13.10.050 Amended. Section 13.10.050 of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code is hereby amended and adopted to read as follows:

13.10.050 Rates and charges.

The following monthly stormwater rates and charges are hereby imposed:

A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, the following monthly storm water rates per equivalent service unit (ESU) are hereby imposed for all developed properties within the corporate limits of the city:

Rate	-	2022 2026				2026 2030
Per ESU	\$24.12	\$25.35	\$26.64	\$28.57	\$29.43	\$30.93
	\$30.00	\$31.50	\$33.08	\$34.73	\$36.47	\$38.29

Section 5. Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the

City Attorney, the City Clerk and the code reviser are authorized to make necessary

corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to

other local, state or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering

anti section/subsection numbering.

Section 6. Severability. If any section or provision of this Ordinance is later

determined to be void, preempted, or otherwise invalid or unenforceable in its entirety or

with respect to any person or class of persons, such determination shall not affect the validity

or enforceability of the other provisions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force

and effect to the maximum extent permitted under law.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect five days after its passage

and publication as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington this 14th day of

April 2025.

Katherine Ross, Mayor	

ATTEST: APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Deana Dean, City Clerk Dena Burke, City Attorney

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