

RESOLUTION 2023-B

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, WASHINGTON SETTING THE RATES FOR SEWER SERVICE IN THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 2020-T

WHEREAS, the Town of Eatonville (“Town”) hired consulting firm, Peninsula Financial Consulting (“Peninsula”) to perform a comprehensive utility rate study in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Public Utility Committee has reviewed the proposed rate increases and the Committee recommends the adoption of the rates recommended by Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2011-B approved by the Town Council on January 24, 2011 established a standard method for adjusting rates for utilities; and

WHEREAS, the calculated CPI increase is 3.47 percent for the year 2023 and has already been accounted for in the new 2023 rate for January; and

WHEREAS, the rate increase proposed for 2023 for sewer in the rate study is 12%, the rates herein have been decreased by 3.47% to account for the 2023 CPI increase; and

WHEREAS, the annual CPI increase will be suspended during the years of the approved rate increases herein; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has considered the recommendation from the Public Utility Committee; now, therefore;

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Resolution 2020-T is hereby repealed.

Section 2. User descriptions:

- a. Single Family-single family residential unit, each unit in a duplex, or for nonprofit organizations
- b. Multi Family-residential complexes of 3 or more units
- c. Low Income-single family residential homes or duplexes. Low-income status may be demonstrated either by proof of income below the established poverty guidelines, issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or by proof of real property tax reduction from Pierce County. Must submit in writing to the Town Clerk.
- d. For all other properties not listed in sections a-c above the base charges will fall under category for Commercial based on water meter sizing. And shall

additionally pay a monthly rate based on water usage in the amount in Section 4(m) per 100 gallons of water used.

Section 3. Passage of this resolution shall suspend any CPI increases to sewer rates during its effective period.

Section 4. A monthly sewage fee is hereby imposed on all properties, pursuant to Eatonville Municipal Code 13.14, connected to and/or within 100 feet of a sanitary sewer line for the Town of Eatonville effective February 1, 2023 as follows:

a. Single Family	\$ 63.16
b. Multi Family	\$ 54.27
c. Low Income	\$ 54.27
d. Non-Profit Commercial	\$ 63.16
e. Commercial ¾"	\$ 53.83
f. Commercial 1"	\$ 66.42
g. Commercial 1.5"	\$ 82.81
h. Commercial 2"	\$100.39
i. Commercial 3"	\$139.90
j. Commercial 4"	\$180.05
k. Multifamily Residential-4 conn.	\$200.74
l. Multifamily Residential-3 conn.	\$150.14
m. Usage per 100 gallons of water	\$ 0.33

Section 5. Effective January 1, 2024 there shall be a 9% increase in the monthly sewage fee imposed on all properties, pursuant to Eatonville Municipal Code 13.14, connected to and/or within 100 feet of a sanitary sewer line for the Town of Eatonville, see attachment A for reference.

Section 6. Effective January 1, 2025 there shall be a 6.5% increase in the monthly sewage fee imposed on all properties, pursuant to Eatonville Municipal Code 13.14, connected to and/or within 100 feet of a sanitary sewer line for the Town of Eatonville, see attachment A for reference.

Section 7. Sewer System Connection Maintenance fees. During periods of sanitary sewer disconnection in the event that a structure is not occupied, has been torn down or destroyed, or if a connection is purchased yet a physical sewer connection has not been made, the following connection maintenance fees apply for system maintenance:

- a. Owners of lots for which a previous sanitary sewer connection existed or for which a connection fee has been paid shall pay a monthly connection maintenance fee in the amount equal to the Single-Family rate for the maintenance of the Town's sanitary sewer system regardless of whether a physical connection has been made or is currently being used. For such properties and connections, a failure to pay these monthly maintenance fees for

6 consecutive months shall result in the forfeiture of the sanitary sewer connection.

- b. The owner of structures or properties which remain connected to the sanitary sewer system while unoccupied shall pay a monthly connection maintenance fee in the amount equal to the Single-Family rate for the maintenance of the Town's sanitary sewer system regardless of whether the connection is actively being used. For such structures and properties, a failure to pay will result in a debt to the Town which shall be paid prior to the re-occupancy of the structure or property in question.

Section 8. Billing. Billing for a new sanitary sewer connection, unless otherwise specified in a developer agreement, shall commence upon the granting of occupancy by the building official.

Section 9. This resolution shall be effective the first day of the month following its adoption.

1ST READING: 01/09/2023

2ND READING: 02/13/2023

PASSED by the Town Council of Town of Eatonville and attested by the Town Clerk in authentication of such passage this 13th day of February 2023.

David Baublits, Mayor

ATTEST:

Miranda Doll, Town Clerk