HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT
King County, Washington

RESOLUTION 13-4-23A

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT CODE (HWDC), CHAPTER 6.04 RATES, SECTION 6.04.020 WATER/MISCELLANEOUS RATES AND CHAPTER 6.06 RATE REDUCTION PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS AND LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS, SECTION 6.06.020 CRITERIA FOR WATER RATE REDUCTION

WHEREAS, per RCW 57.08.005 (11), a District shall have the following powers: to fix rates and charges for water, sewer, reclaimed water, and drain service supplied and to charge property owners seeking to connect to the district's systems, as a condition to granting the right to so connect, in addition to the cost of the connection, such reasonable connection charge as the board of commissioners shall determine to be proper in order that those property owners shall bear their equitable share of the cost of the system; and

WHEREAS, at the April 1, 2013 Special Board meeting, the Board of Commissioners and staff discussed the results of a WASWD survey from 32 water/sewer purveyors that included their respective policies for authorizing Low-Income Senior Citizen and Low-Income Disabled Person discounts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners and staff determined it would be fair and equitable to the ratepayers to revise the District's existing policy to align with the household low-income threshold established by King County for property tax exemption; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to Chapter 6.04 Rates, Section 6.04.020 Water/Miscellaneous Rates and Chapter 6.06 Rate Reduction Program for Low-Income Senior Citizens and Low-Income Disabled Persons, Section 6.06.020 Criteria for Water Rate Reduction are as follows:

**CHAPTER 6.04 RATES (Section 6.04.020 - Water / Miscellaneous Rates)**

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CHAPTER 6.06 RATE REDUCTION PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS AND LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS (Section 6.06.020 - Criteria for Water Rate Reduction)

To qualify for the 35% meter base rate reduction, the customer must satisfy the following criteria:

A. On the date the "Request for Water Rate Reduction" form is submitted to the District, the applicant must be at least 61 years of age, or be disabled, handicapped or incapacitated as defined in HWDC 6.06.040; and

B. The applicant's total annual household income from all sources, including the total income of the applicant, spouse, and tenant(s) must be less than or equal to the household income level established by King County for property tax exemption.

A customer who meets the criteria listed above shall fill out the "Request for Water Rate Reduction" form (REF 236) and submit to the Customer Service Department along with supporting documents. District staff will verify the applicant meets the criteria before approving the 35% meter base rate reduction. The District will periodically require the customers to provide supporting documents to verify they still meet the Low-Income Senior Citizen and Low-Income Disabled criteria. (See Procedure P6.06.010).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Board of Commissioners authorizes the General Manager to amend Highline Water District Code (HWDC) Chapter 6.04 Rates, Section 6.04.020 Water/Miscellaneous Rates and Chapter 6.06 Rate Reduction Program for Low-Income Senior Citizens and Low-Income Disabled Persons, Section 6.06.020 Criteria for Water Rate Reduction, as respectively referenced in this document and incorporated herein. The revisions will become effective July 1, 2013.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of Highline Water District, King County, Washington, at an Open Public Meeting held this 23rd day of April 2013.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Daniel Johnson, President  
Kathleen Quong-Vermeire, Secretary

Gerald R. Gute, Commissioner  
Vince Koester, Commissioner

George Landon, Commissioner
SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to Highline Water District Code (HWDC), Chapter 6.04 Rates, Section 6.04.020 Water/Miscellaneous Rates and Chapter 6.06 Rate Reduction Program for Low-Income Senior Citizens and Low-Income Disabled Persons, Section 6.06.020 Criteria for Water Rate Reduction

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Expenditures? Yes No N/A
Budgeted? Yes No N/A

Amount: $________________
Plus WSST

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Resolution 13-4-23A

COMMENTS:

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