

**ORDINANCE NO. 1448**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KALAMA, WASHINGTON AMENDING KALAMA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 13 STORMWATER UTILITY TO INCREASE THE ERU RATES FOR STORMWATER TO MEET NEEDS OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING THE UTILITY SYSTEM**

**WHEREAS**, the Kalama City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1436 establishing the Stormwater utility under Title 13 and setting a rate per ERU beginning in 2019;

**WHEREAS**, the Kalama Utility Rate Study of 2020 recommends an increase to the current rate by 9.5% to meet the needs of the system for maintenance and improvements;

**WHEREAS**, the Kalama City Council recognizes the importance of the stormwater utility maintenance to provide proper drainage facilities during rain storm events to prevent flooding authorizes the rate increase as recommended;

**NOW THEREFORE** the City Council of the City of Kalama do ordain

**Section 1.** Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 13.04.020 is amended to read as follows

13.04.020 - Service charge rates.

In accordance with the rate structure set forth in KMC [Section 13.04.010](#) of this chapter, there is hereby levied upon all developed real property within the boundaries of the utility the following service charges which shall be collected from the owners of such properties:

A. For all single-family dwelling units and accessory uses thereof, (one equivalent residential unit), the monthly service charge shall be ~~five dollars and fifty cents per month~~ **six dollars and thirteen cents (\$6.13) per month.**

B. For all other developed property within the boundaries of the utility, unless exempt as set forth above, the monthly service charge shall be ~~five dollars and fifty cents per month~~ **six dollars and thirteen cents (\$6.13) per ERU multiplied by the number of equivalent residential units determined by the utility to be contained in such parcel.**

**Section 2.** Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 13.06.020 is amended to read as follows:

13.06.020 - Annual review of charges and fees.

The charges and fees established by this title and any other ordinances of the city council establishing charges and fees for the utility may be reviewed annually and **adjusted by resolution** of the city council.

**Section 3.** Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this ordinance.

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall become effective five days after passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Kalama at a regular meeting held on the 3rd day of December, 2020

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Mayor Mike Reuter

Attest:

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Coni McMaster, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Effective: \_\_\_\_\_