

## **RESOLUTION NO. 588**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF POINT ROBERTS WATER DISTRICT NO. 4, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, REVISING AND ESTABLISHING WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 578.**

**WHEREAS**, RCW 57.08.081 authorizes the Point Roberts Water District No. 4 Board of Commissioners ("District") to fix rates and charges for providing water service, such rates and charges to be fixed as deemed necessary by the District Board of Commissioner 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, the achievement of water conservation goals and the discouragement of wasteful practices and any other matters which present a reasonable difference as a ground for a distinction in the establishment of water and sewer service rates and charges; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Commissioners previously established water service rates for all customer classifications by the adoption of Resolution No. 578 on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2006: and

**WHEREAS**, the District entered into a long-term wholesale water supply agreement dated the 28th day of August, 1987 ("Water Supply Agreement") with the Greater Vancouver Water District ("GVWD") to provide potable water supply to the District to enable the District to serve its present and future customers; District staff have advised that GVWD has periodically increased its wholesale rate to the District and District staff have recommended that the District increase its bimonthly water service rate to all customer classifications to pass through that wholesale rate increase from GVWD to such customers and to fully recover other District costs and expenses; and District staff have advised that GVWD may further increase such water wholesale rate to the District in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, Financial Consulting Solutions Group, Inc., the District's financial consultant, by technical report entitled "2007 Water Rate & GFC Update" dated May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 recommended that the District's water service rates be revised and updated for all customer

classifications so that present and future District customers will fully and equitably pay the cost of water service provided by the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Commissioners having considered such consultant and staff recommendations related to the proposed revision of the District's water service rates and having held a public hearing on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 for public comment on such proposed revisions pursuant to public notice regarding such hearing published in the Bellingham Herald on June 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Commissioners having considered staff and consultant recommendations and public comments related to the proposed revision of the District's water service rates and charges; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Water District No. 4 as follows:

1. Water Service Rates. The District water service charges set forth on **Exhibit "A"** hereto and by this reference incorporated herein are hereby approved and adopted and shall be effective for all water service provided to and water consumption by District customers on or after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 until and through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008.

2. Repealer. All District Resolutions, policies and procedures including Resolution No. 578, are hereby amended, superseded and/or rescinded to be in accordance with the foregoing effective the dates set forth herein.

**ADOPTED** at a special open public meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Point Roberts Water District No. 4, Whatcom County, Washington, held on the 21st day of June, 2007.

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N. Madeleine Anderson, President and  
Commissioner

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Reneé Coe, Secretary and Commissioner

**EXHIBIT A  
WATER RATES**

<b>Year-Term (2007-2008) Water Rate Strategy</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Single-Family Residential &amp; Multi-Family (2-4 Units)</b>		
Fixed Bimonthly Charge:		
5/8" & 3/4"	46.76	53.01
1"	63.93	72.38
1 - 1/2"	81.10	91.74
2"	90.98	102.88
Volume Charge per ccf (1):		
Block One (0-5ccf) (Allowance Included in Fixed Charge)	--	--
Block Two (6-14 ccf)	1.23	1.48
Block Three (15-40 ccf)	1.66	1.99
Block Four(>40ccf)	2.95	3.54
(1) Volume thresholds shown apply to each bimonthly billing period		
<b>Multi-Family (&gt;4 Units) &amp; Commercial</b>		
Fixed Bimonthly Charge:		
5/8" & 3/4"	78.49	124.27
1"	108.35	172.13
1-1/2"	138.22	220.00
2"	155.39	247.52
3"	294.99	471.28
4"	825.04	1,320.88
6"	1,049.00	1,679.86
8"	1,571.59	2,517.49
Volume Charge per ccf	2.09	2.95
<b>Golf Course</b>		
Fixed Bimonthly Charge	361.76	513.54
Volume Charge per ccf	2.09	2.95