

## **RESOLUTION NO. 642**

### A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF POINT ROBERTS WATER DISTRICT NO. 4 OF WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING REVISED WATER GENERAL FACILITY CONNECTION CHARGES AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 587

**WHEREAS**, RCW 57.08.005(10) authorizes the Point Roberts Water District No. 4 ("District") to charge property owners seeking connection to the District's water system, as a condition to granting the right to so connect, in addition to the cost of the connection, such reasonable connection charges as the District Board of Commissioners shall determine to be proper in order that those property owners shall bear their equitable share of the cost of the water system; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Commissioners previously approved a uniform water general facility connection charge ("GFC") by the adoption of Resolution No. 587 on June 22nd, 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Commissioners now desires to update and amend such water general facility connection charge; and

**WHEREAS**, Financial Consulting Solutions Group, Inc., the District's financial consultant, by technical report entitled "Point Roberts Water District Water Rate & General Facilities Charge Update" dated February 5, 2014 recommended that the District's water GFC be revised and updated for all customer classifications so that those property owners seeking connection to the District's water system shall bear their equitable share of the cost of that system; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Commissioners having considered such consultant and staff recommendations related to the proposed revision of the District's water general facility connection charge and having held a public hearing on March 19, 2014 for public comment on such proposed revisions, and the District Board of Commissioners having considered such recommendations and public comments; now therefore,

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

1. Definitions. The terms set forth herein shall be defined for the purposes of assessing water general facility connection charges:
  - A. "Residential" or "Equivalent Residential Unit" ("ERU") shall mean each single family residential user or equivalent such as a house, residence or mobile home.

- B. "Multi-residential" shall mean multiple residential units such as apartments or condominiums.
- C. "Commercial" shall mean all commercial, business, industrial or other non-residential business uses.
- D. "Other Uses" shall mean all non-residential, non-multi-residential and non-commercial uses such as parks, golf courses and schools.

2. General Facility Connection Charges. Property owners seeking (a) to connect to, or (b) increased water service from (such as a new service or change in service) the District's water system to serve real property for which the property owner has not paid an equitable share of the cost of such system shall pay a general facility connection charge (GFC) in the amount of Six Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$6,590.00) per ERU based on the meter size in the Table set forth below as determined by District staff and the District's consulting engineer, in addition to all other applicable District fees and charges; provided, the District may adjust the GFC owing based on meter size if the District determines, in its sole discretion, that the GFC owing is substantially less than or exceeds a property owner's equitable share of the cost of the District's water system.

<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>GFC</b>
5/8 x 3/4"	\$6,590
1"	\$16,472
1 - 1/2"	\$32,945
2"	\$52,712
3"	\$105,424
4"	\$164,725
6"	\$329,450
8"	\$527,120
10"	\$823,625

3. Credit for Prior ULID Assessments. Property owners who were previously assessed for capital facility improvements through District utility local improvement projects (ULIDs) may be entitled to a credit as determined by the District against any GFC owing to connect the property that was previously assessed to the District's water system if the capital facility improvement remains in operation as part of the District's water system at the time connection is applied for.

4. Update of General Facility Connection Charge. The water general facility connection charge referenced herein shall be reviewed periodically and may be adjusted as necessary to include the actual cost to construct facilities planned for construction within the next ten years as contained in the District's adopted Water Comprehensive Plan.

5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective the 1st day of April, 2014.

6. Repealer. All prior and existing District resolutions and policies including Resolution No. 587, relating to the District's water general facility connection charges are hereby revised, modified, and superseded to be in accordance with the charge set forth herein.

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**ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Point Roberts Water District No. 4, Whatcom County, Washington, at a special open public meeting held on March 19, 2014.

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Scott Hackleman, Chairman

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N. Madeleine Anderson, Secretary

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William H. Meursing, Commissioner