ORDINANCE NO. 1215

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROSLYN, WASHINGTON, AMENDING ROSLYN CITY CODE SECTION 13.05, 13.10, and 13.14 RELATING TO WATER, SEWER AND STORM RATES ADJUSTMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to adjust its monthly utility rates for residential and commercial uses pursuant to Chapter 35.21 RCW; and provides for a reduction in rates for elderly, disabled, and reduced income persons pursuant to RCW 35.92.020(5); and

WHEREAS, the City of Roslyn completed a rate study in 2025 which identified the need to increase water, sewer and storm rates in order to meet operating and capital requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Roslyn recognizes that utility revenues must be evaluated annually and if revenues fall short of those projected in any given year due to unforeseen reductions rates will likely have to be adjusted to accommodate for the reductions in revenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Council after hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, has determined that it is in the best interest of the City, and necessary to meet the expenses and obligations of the City, for the utility rates to be increased.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSLYN, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.0 RMC 13.05.380, Water Rates, Amended. Roslyn City code Section 13.05.380 (Water Rates) is hereby amended by repealing section 13.05.380 in its entirety and replacing it with a new section 13.05.380 to read as follows:

13.05.380 Water rates.
The monthly water rates for use of water provided by the Roslyn water system shall be in the categories and at the rates set out in the Water Rates Table shown below and shall consist of the following charges:

A. A monthly fixed charge; and

B. Volume charges for water use over 1000 cubic feet per EDU; and

C. A fixed reserve charge per EDU.

Water Rates Table

Class	EDU	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Residential in-town	1	$ 72.63	$ 78.68	$ 85.41	$ 92.13	$ 98.86	$ 102.89
Residential out-of-town	1	$ 109.13	$ 118.23	$ 128.33	$ 138.44	$ 148.54	$ 154.61
Commercial in-town	1	$ 78.02	$ 84.52	$ 91.74	$ 98.97	$ 106.19	$ 110.53
Commercial out-of-town	1	$ 120.41	$ 130.44	$ 141.59	$ 152.74	$ 163.89	$ 170.58
School district K-8	33	$ 2,308.52	$ 2,500.90	$ 2,714.65	$ 2,928.40	$ 3,142.15	$ 3,270.41
School district high school	26	$ 1,818.87	$ 1,970.44	$ 2,138.86	$ 2,307.27	$ 2,475.69	$ 2,576.23
Penn Place Apartments	30	$ 2,179.35	$ 2,360.97	$ 2,562.76	$ 2,764.55	$ 2,966.34	$ 3,087.42
Water District No. 2	109[(1)]	$ 1,906.29	$ 2,065.14	$ 2,241.65	$ 2,418.16	$ 2,594.67	$ 2,700.57
Special rate[1]	1	$ 53.82	$ 58.30	$ 63.28	$ 68.27	$ 73.25	$ 76.24
Volume Rates							
Over 1000cf		$ 0.79	$ 0.86	$ 0.95	$ 1.04	$ 1.14	$ 1.21
Reserve Charge							
Per EDU/month		$3.00	$3.00	$3.00	$3.00	$3.00	$3.00

[1] Special rates pursuant to RCW 35.92.020(5) shall apply only for individuals receiving a property tax break for elderly, disabled, or reduced-income persons.

(1) Actual EDUs will be calculated based on actual connections.

Existing hookups without meters will be charged the base rate for 1000 cubic feet. Commercial buildings housing multiple businesses will be billed the standard commercial rate with overages as per regular commercial accounts. The payment of all water rates is the responsibility of the owner of the property served with water by the city of Roslyn. Only the property owner will be billed for water.

The above water rates will be assessed beginning with the February 1st billing of each year. Beginning on January 1, 2031, rates shall increase by three percent per year and will be assessed beginning with the February 1st billing of each year.

Section 2.0 RMC 13.14.010, Definitions. Roslyn City code Section 13.14.010(F) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3.0 RMC 13.14.030, Service Charges, Amended. Roslyn City code Section 13.14.030 is hereby amended by repealing section 13.14.030 in its entirety and replacing it with a new section 13.14.030 to read as follows:

13.14.030 Service charge rates.
In accordance with the rate structure set forth in RMC 13.14.020, 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:

Storm Rate Table

CLASS	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Per ERU/Month	$ 15.75	$ 16.80	$ 20.55	$ 24.30	$ 28.80	$ 33.30
Special rate[1]	$ 7.88	$ 8.40	$ 10.28	$ 12.15	$ 14.40	$ 16.65
Reserve Charge Per EDU/Month	$ 6.30	$ 6.72	$ 8.22	$ 9.72	$ 11.52	$ 13.32

[1] Special rates pursuant to RCW 35.92.020(5) shall apply only for individuals receiving a property tax break for elderly, disabled, or reduced-income persons.

13.14.090 Effective date of service charge.

The above stormwater rates will be assessed beginning with the February 1st billing of each year. Beginning on January 1, 2031, rates shall increase by three percent per year and will be assessed beginning with the February 1st billing of each year.

Section 4.0 RMC 13.10.400, Rates and Charges, Amended. Roslyn City code Section 13.10.400 is hereby amended by repealing section 13.10.400 in its entirety and replacing it with a new section 13.10.400 to read as follows:

13.10.400 Rates and charges.

The following rates and charges are hereby fixed for sewerage service inside and outside the city limits, and shall be paid therefor:

System Development Fee:	$2,000
Suncadia System Development Repayment Fee:	$3,900 (to be paid at the time application for sewer service is submitted)

A. Monthly Rates. The monthly sewer rates for sewer service provided by the city of Roslyn sewer system shall be as stated in the Sewer Rate Table set out below and shall include the following two charges:

1. Monthly fixed charge per EDU; and

2. Monthly reserve charge per EDU.

Sewer Rate Table

Class	EDU	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Residential in-town	1	$ 53.48	$ 60.45	$ 67.43	$ 74.40	$81.38	$ 86.96
Residential out-of-town	1	$ 53.48	$ 60.45	$ 67.43	$ 74.40	$ 81.38	$ 86.96
Commercial in-town	1	$ 62.71	$ 70.89	$ 79.07	$ 87.25	$ 95.43	$ 101.97
Penn Place Apartments	30	$ 1,664.29	$ 1,881.37	$ 2,098.45	$ 2,315.54	$ 2,532.62	$ 2,706.28
Special rate[1]	1	$ 26.74	$ 30.23	$ 33.71	$ 37.20	$ 40.69	$ 43.48
Water District No. 2	1	$ 2,487.04	$ 2,811.43	$ 3,135.83	$ 3,460.22	$ 3,784.62	$ 4,044.14
Reserve Charge							
Per EDU/month		$0.25	$0.25	$0.25	$0.25	$0.25	$0.25

[1] Special rates pursuant to RCW 35.92.020(5) shall apply only for individuals receiving a property tax break for elderly, disabled, or reduced-income persons.

A. Beginning January 1, 2031, rates shall increase by three percent per year and will be assessed beginning with the February 1st billing of each year.

B. Disconnect Charge. Cost to city plus 10 percent.

C. Where any premises are used both as a dwelling and as a business or commercial use involving the sale of food and/or beverages for on- or off-premises consumption, both the dwelling house and business or commercial rates shall apply. The monthly standby service charge as referenced above shall apply whenever a monthly standby charge for water is payable under RMC 13.05.380.

Fifty-three and eight-tenths percent of each monthly bill collected by the city of Roslyn for sewer charges imposed by this chapter shall be deemed to apply to the amounts or value paid or contributed to by the city representing payments of special assessments or installments thereof and interests and penalties thereon, charges in lieu of assessments, or any other charges, payments or contributions representing a share of the costs of the capital facilities provided by the city of Roslyn and constructed or to be constructed for collection of sewage or for the retirement of obligations and payment of interest thereon issued for capital purposes and sewer collection rates.

A system development charge is incurred anytime the valve controlling the water supply to a structure is turned on and the structure has not been receiving a monthly sewer bill from the city of Roslyn.

One thousand dollars of this charge will go to the sewer operations and maintenance fund and the balance will go to the sewer capital projects fund upon exhaustion of the sewer grant funds currently being used by the city, this balance to be accounted for separately but not to be placed in a separate fund. The sewer system development charge does not include charges for time spent by city employees in making the connection of a structure to the city sewerage system and it does not include charges for materials used by the city in making the connection.

Section 5.0. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other person or circumstances.

Section 6.0 Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force June 30, 2025.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2025

CITY OF ROSLYN

Jeff Adams, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Brandi Taklo, Clerk

Approved as to form:

Ann Marie Soto, City Attorney

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