

CITY OF GARIBALDI
ORDINANCE NO. 284

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING "FLAT RATE"
REFERENCES, AMENDING RECONNECTION AND
BULK WATER SERVICE POLICIES TO THE GARIBALDI
WATER ORDINANCE NO. 184.**

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Section 1. DEFINITIONS. *Add the following to Ord. 184 Section 1...*

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- I. *"Turn-on" and "turn-off" means that the water meter is physically engaged or disengaged by the City for a period of less than one year.*
- J. *"Disconnection" and "reconnection" means that the water meter has been physically removed and/or the sewer service capped; and vice-versa.*
- K. *"Installation" means that a service line has been created off the City water and sewer system, including the addition of a water meter and/or connection of the sewer line to the property.*
- L. *"Abandoned" means a property or service that has been turned-off for more than one year and must pay System Development Charges to return to the system.*
- M. *"Base Rate" means the minimum monthly service charge.*
- N. *"Bulk Service" means temporary use of fire hydrants for water service.*

Section 2. DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICES. *Add the following to Ord. 184 Section 3; repeal Subsections 2 through 6; and re-number Subsection 7 through 10 to D through G...*

“Section 3. DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICES.

B. DISCONNECTION FROM THE SYSTEM FOR NON-PAYMENT: A property owner who has been “turned-off” for non-payment may be “turned-on” or “re-connected” to the system based upon fees set by Resolution and according to the following:

1. **WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER TURN-OFF.** A property owner may be turned back on within one year of being turned-off, if the property owner pays all delinquent charges, costs and fees including those incurred by the City in carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance or otherwise set by Resolution.
2. **BETWEEN ONE AND TWO YEARS AFTER TURN-OFF.** One year after service has been turned-off, the service is considered “abandoned”. At this time, a final bill will be assessed including all delinquent charges, costs and fees including those incurred by the City in carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance (no turn-on fee will be assessed.) The water and sewer service will be disconnected (water meter will be removed and sewer service capped) from the system and a water and sewer disconnection fee will be added to the final bill. No further charges will be assessed to a property owner’s account that is abandoned. To re-connect to the system, the property owner will need to pay the final bill, a water and sewer re-connection fee and System Development Charges except for the sewer SDC.
3. **AFTER TWO YEARS.** To re-connect to the system, the property owner will need to pay all bills, fees and charges as in the previous paragraph, plus a sewer System Development Charge.

C. DISCONNECTION FROM THE SYSTEM BY PROPERTY OWNER’S CHOICE. A property owner may choose to disconnect from the system in one of two ways. One, if the property owner has decided to raze the improvement; or, two, if the property owner does not plan to use the improvement. If a property owner chooses to disconnect from the system then the following process will be followed.

1. **IMMEDIATE DISCONNECTION.** A property owner may at any time request immediate disconnection from the system. The water and sewer service will be disconnected (water meter will be removed and sewer service capped) from the system and a water and sewer disconnection fee will be

added to the final bill. (No turn-off fee will be charged.) No further charges will be assessed to the account. Any property that has been immediately disconnected will be assessed System Development Charges to re-connect to the system.

2. WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER TURN-OFF. A property owner may request that their service be turned-off, however a minimum sewer charge will continue to be assessed pursuant to USDA loan requirements. A property owner must turn-on their service within one year of the turn-off to avoid service being abandoned.
3. BETWEEN ONE AND TWO YEARS AFTER TURN-OFF. Service that is not turned-on within one year after the initial turn-off will be assessed a final bill including the outstanding balance (if any). At the end of one year of the service having been turned-off, the service is considered "abandoned". The water and sewer service will be disconnected (water meter will be removed and sewer service capped) from the system and a water and sewer disconnection fee will be added to the final bill. No further charges will be assessed to a property owner's account that is abandoned. To re-connect to the system, the property owner will need to pay the final bill, a water and sewer re-connection fee and System Development Charges except for the sewer SDC.
4. AFTER TWO YEARS. To re-connect to the system, the property owner will need to pay all bills, fees and charges as in the previous paragraph, plus a sewer System Development Charge."

Section 3. RULES AND REGULATIONS. Amend the following to Ord. 184 Section 4, Rule 4...

"Section 4. RULES AND REGULATIONS.

RULE 4. RECONNECTION FEE AFTER DISCONTINUED USE: When water or sewer service is requested for a premises that has been abandoned, such service shall be provided for as determined in Section 3."

Section 4. REPEAL OF FLAT RATE REFERENCES. Repeal references to "Flat Rate" from Section 4, Rule 2 and entirely repeal Rule 9. Re-number Rules 10 through 18 to 9 through 17.

Section 5. USE OF FIRE HYDRANTS FOR BULK SERVICE. Add the following to Ord. 184 and re-number Section 5 through 7 to 6 through 8...

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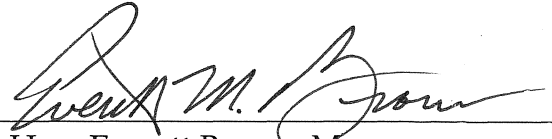
Subsection A. AUTHORIZATION: No person, except authorized City employees and members of the Fire Department shall operate, alter, remove, draw water from, disconnect, connect with or tamper in any manner with any fire hydrant owned or operated by the City without first obtaining a permit from the Public Works Department.

Subsection B. FOR SALE OF BULK SERVICE: Organizations, municipalities and/or individuals may purchase water via a fire hydrant (3-inch meter) by acquiring a permit from the Public Works Department and paying the fees set forth by resolution. There are four criteria for determining the rate for bulk service: finite, temporary, supervised and unsupervised. The two rates for Bulk Water Service are:

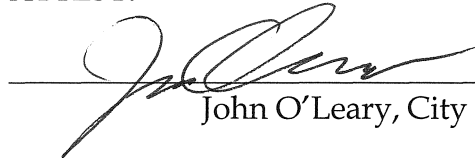
1. BULK SERVICE RATE (FINITE) shall be used for filling known or “finite” quantities such as tanks, swimming pools, log ponds and other such purposes for a one-time usage. The bulk service rate is the 3” base rate divided by the total number of gallons pumped up to the maximum total number of gallons listed for the 3” base rate. Additional usage is charged at the overage amount per 1,000 gallons.
 - a. SUPERVISED. Finite Bulk Service is considered supervised if a Public Works employee observes the pumping for the duration. For this use there is no deposit.
 - b. UNSUPERVISED. Finite Bulk Service is considered unsupervised if a Public Works employee will not be observing the pumping other than to hook up and disconnect the hydrant.
2. BULK SERVICE RATE (TEMPORARY) shall be used by contractors or others needing sustained, but temporary, service. This bulk service is charged the 3” base rate including overage amounts and is billed monthly. Temporary bulk service is not prorated. This is considered an unsupervised use and requires a deposit and monthly meter checks.

Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days following its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

Passed by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Garibaldi, this 19 day of DECEMBER, 2005.


Hon. Everett Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:


John O'Leary, City Recorder