

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA, COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 3-CASTELLA WATER, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 706 AND SETTING FORTH THE CHARGES, RATES, AND FEES FOR WATER AND RELATED SERVICES

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2017, a written notice describing the proposed rates, fees, and charges to be imposed for water and related services was mailed to the affected property owners in accordance with the provisions of Cal. Const., art. XIII D, Section 6; and

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2017, a public hearing was held to provide an opportunity to protest the proposed the proposed rates, fees, and charges to be imposed for water and related services in accordance with Cal. Const., art XIII D, Section 6; and

WHEREAS, there was not a majority protest to the proposed rates, fees, and charges to be imposed for water and related services; and

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2015, after a duly noticed public hearing, and in accordance with all laws, the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 706; and

WHEREAS, except for the Basic Bi-monthly In-Service Rate Schedule Effective November 1, 2017 set forth herein, other rates, fees and charges are unchanged from those previously enacted by the Board of Supervisors and set forth in Ordinance No. 706, and do not impose any new or increased fees or charges.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta, acting on behalf of County Service Area No. 3 (Castella Water) ordains as follows:

Section 1. Water Rate Schedule: The rates, fees, and charges to be imposed for water and related services in County Service Area No. 3 (Castella Water) shall be as follows:

Basic Bi-monthly Charge Effective November 1, 2017

- (1) A basic Bi-monthly Charge of \$94.75, which includes the first 16,000 gallons of water consumed (0 – 16,000 gallons);
- (2) A charge of \$0.41 for every 100 gallons or portion thereof for that portion of the total bi-monthly consumption greater than 16,000 gallons (over 16,000 gallons).

Basic Bi-monthly Charge Effective November 1, 2018

- (1) A basic Bi-monthly Charge of \$98.75, which includes the first 16,000 gallons of water consumed (0 – 16,000 gallons);
- (2) A charge of \$0.41 for every 100 gallons or portion thereof for that portion of the total bi-monthly consumption greater than 16,000 gallons (over 16,000 gallons).

Basic Bi-monthly Charge Effective November 1, 2019

- (1) A basic Bi-monthly Charge of \$101.75, which includes the first 16,000 gallons of water consumed (0 – 16,000 gallons);
- (2) A charge of \$0.42 for every 100 gallons or portion thereof for that portion of the total bi-monthly consumption greater than 16,000 gallons (over 16,000 gallons).

Basic Bi-monthly Charge Effective November 1, 2020

- (1) A basic Bi-monthly Charge of \$104.75, which includes the first 16,000 gallons of water consumed (0 – 16,000 gallons);
- (2) A charge of \$0.42 for every 100 gallons or portion thereof for that portion of the total bi-monthly consumption greater than 16,000 gallons (over 16,000 gallons).

Annexation Fees and/or Payment in lieu of Past Parcel Charge for Newly Created Parcels: The service area levies an annual parcel charge that is used to repay the loan used to construct the water system. This charge is collected with the property taxes. A fee shall be paid for each newly created or annexed parcel, prior to annexation or recording the map that creates the lots, in an amount equal to the parcel had it been in the District when said charges were levied on other parcels in the District.

Water Sales to Out-of-District Users (Short-Term Usage): Persons who are not residents or property owners in County Service Area No. 3-Castella Water may purchase water where and when available at the rate of twice the amount charged to regular customers for the same usage in a two-month period. County Service Area No. 3-Castella Water will provide a meter to record water usage upon receipt of a \$500.00 deposit. A permit will be issued outlining the conditions of use.

Section 2. Standby Charge: A standby charge of \$30.00 shall be paid by the owner of each parcel in the service area for which delivery of water service has not been initiated, whether structures are present on the property or not. Parcels which are determined not to be suitable for residential or commercial development may not be charged a stand-by fee. This determination will include factors such as size of the property, the topography of the property, and the shape of the property. This determination will be made by the Director of Public Works.

Section 3. Vacation Status: Pursuant to subdivision A. of section 13.12.040 of the Shasta County Code, customers with a meter shall be charged the Standby Charge of \$30.00 Bi-monthly during the months the parcel is vacant, upon request, if the parcel is to receive regular water service for less than three consecutive months per year. In addition, customers shall be charged the service restoration fee as set below.

Section 4. Extraordinary Commodity Costs: Increased cost shall be charged on the bi-monthly bill or invoice on a per cubic foot basis. Commodity costs are extraordinary under these conditions:

- (1) Commodity costs of water acquired exceed those allowed by then current Shasta County Water Agency policy; and
- (2) The United States Bureau of Reclamation passes on operation and maintenance rates in excess of those initially estimated.
- (3) Water is acquired at cost to backfill water normally provided by water right.

Section 5. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term “bi-monthly” shall mean occurring once every two months.

Section 6. Ordinance No. 706 is repealed.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after 30 days after its passage. The Clerk shall cause the Ordinance to be published as required by law.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of October, 2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta, State of California by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSE:

DAVID A. KEHOE, CHAIRMAN
Board of Supervisors
County of Shasta
State of California

ATTEST:

LAWRENCE G. LEES
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy