

RESOLUTION NO. 3254

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING WATER RATES AND RULES
FOR THE YEAR OF 2026

WHEREAS, section 9.02.190 of the Selah Municipal Code provides that the various monetary rates that the City charges consumers for water service shall be set via Resolution of the City Council from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the applicable "regular service rates" and also the "rates for two-family dwellings . . ." for the forthcoming year of 2026 shall be increased (versus the rates that were applicable during 2025), to the amounts specified within this Resolution. However, the "reduced rates for low-income senior citizens and/or low-income disabled persons" for the year of 2026 shall remain the same as they were during 2025, as set forth in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has further determined the “annual household income” levels whereby low-income senior citizens and low-income disabled persons respectively can qualify for reduced rates should be adjusted upward, to the amounts specified within this Resolution. This is intended to enable those individuals to continue qualifying for reduced rates even if their incomes have slightly increased since the start of 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has moreover determined that the rates that were applicable during the year of 2025 (as established by Resolution No. 3166) shall also be, to the extent possible, recited within this Resolution, so as to promote greater transparency with regard to how rates have changed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH, WASHINGTON, as follows:

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REGULAR SERVICE RATES:

Meter Size:

3/4" or Smaller (up to 300 cubic feet)

Ready-to-Serve Monthly Base Rates:

(minimum monthly charge, irrespective of actual consumption amount)

	<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
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3/4" or Smaller (up to 300 cubic feet)	\$ 24.68	\$ 25.91
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1" (up to 400 cubic feet)

1" (up to 400 cubic feet)	\$ 32.80	\$ 34.44
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1&1/4" through 1&1/2"
(up to 500 cubic feet)

1&1/4" through 1&1/2" (up to 500 cubic feet)	\$ 41.00	\$ 43.05
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2" (up to 500 cubic feet)

2" (up to 500 cubic feet)	\$ 49.14	\$ 51.60
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3" (up to 10,000 cubic feet)

3" (up to 10,000 cubic feet)	\$ 65.57	\$ 68.85
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4" (up to 20,000 cubic feet)

4" (up to 20,000 cubic feet)	\$ 98.33	\$103.25
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Over 4" (up to 20,000 cubic feet)

Over 4" (up to 20,000 cubic feet)	\$ 98.33	\$103.25
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Additional Consumption for Each Meter Size:

3/4" or Smaller

Monthly Rates for Additional Consumption: (per each 100-cubic-foot increment or any portion of an increment)

	<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
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Consumption between 301 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

1"

Consumption between 401 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

1&1/4" through 1&1/2"

Consumption between 501 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

2"

Consumption between 501 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

3"

Consumption between 10,001 & 20,000	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90
Consumption of 20,001 or more	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31

4"

Consumption between 2,001 & 50,000	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90
Consumption of 50,001 or more	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31

Over 4"

Consumption between 2,001 & 50,000	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90
Consumption of 50,001 or more	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31

RATES FOR TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS, MULTIPLE DWELLINGS, GROUP HOUSES, CONDOMINIUMS, APARTMENT HOUSES, AND MOBILE HOME PARKS:

All Meter Sizes:

(up to 300 cubic feet per unit or space)

Ready-to-Serve Monthly Base Rates:

(minimum monthly charge for each unit or space, irrespective of actual consumption amount)

<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
\$ 17.74	\$ 18.63

Additional Consumption for Each Meter Size:

Monthly Rates for Additional Consumption:

(per each 100-cubic-foot increment or any portion of an increment)

<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
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3/4" or Smaller

Consumption between 301 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

1"

Consumption between 301 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

1&1/4" through 1&1/2"

Consumption between 301 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

2"

Consumption between 301 & 10,000	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31
Consumption of 10,001 or more	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.79

3"

Consumption between 301 & 20,000	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90
Consumption of 20,001 or more	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31

4"

Consumption between 301 & 50,000	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90
Consumption of 50,001 or more	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31

Over 4"

Consumption between 301 & 50,000	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90
Consumption of 50,001 or more	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.31

“Two-family dwellings”, “multiple dwellings”, “group houses”, “condominiums”, “apartment houses” and “mobile home parks” are defined within Selah Municipal Code Title 10 and/or the city-adopted versions of the international building codes.

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**REDUCED RATES FOR LOW-INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS AND/OR
LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS:**

At a Single-Family Dwelling:

(up to 300 cubic feet per unit or space)

Ready-to-Serve Monthly Base Rates:

(minimum monthly charge for each unit or space, irrespective of actual consumption amount)

<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
\$ 15.62	\$ 15.62

Additional Consumption
for Any Meter Size:

Monthly Rates for Additional Consumption:
(per each 100-cubic-foot increment or any portion of an increment)

Consumption between 301 & 10,000

<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
\$ 1.93	\$ 1.93

Consumption of 10,001 or more

\$ 1.54	\$ 1.54
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- (1) A "senior citizen" is a person who occupies a dwelling unit and is sixty-two years of age or older.
- (2) A "low-income senior citizen" is a senior citizen whose income, combined with the income of other household occupants, if any, for the calendar year preceding was lessor than:

Household Size:

Annual Household Income:

	<u>2025 (last year):</u>	<u>2026 (this year):</u>
1	\$26,000	\$30,000
2	\$35,000	\$39,000
3	\$44,000	\$48,000
4	\$53,000	\$57,000

- (3) A "disabled person" is a person who occupies a dwelling unit and who either: qualifies for special parking privileges under RCW Chapter 46.19 or other applicable law; is a blind person as defined in RCW 74.18.020(4) or other applicable law; has a developmental disability as defined in RCW 71A.10.020(6) or other applicable law; or has a mental disorder as defined in RCW 71.05.020(39) or other applicable law.
- (4) A "low-income disabled person" is a disabled person whose income, combined with other household occupants, if any, for the calendar year preceding was lessor than:

Household Size:

Annual Household Income:

	<u>2025 (last year):</u>	<u>2026 (this year):</u>
1	\$26,000	\$30,000
2	\$35,000	\$39,000
4	\$44,000	\$48,000
4	\$53,000	\$57,000

- (5) "Income" has a broad meaning both with respect to low-income senior citizens and low-income disabled persons. It includes any item that is presumptively subject to federal income taxation. It also includes the proceeds realized from the sale, transfer, or other disposition of the person's primary residence unless the proceeds or a portion thereof are used to acquire, obtain or secure a replacement primary residence within eighteen (18) months of when the proceeds were received (and if only a portion of the proceeds are used for such purpose, then the other portion that was not used for such is included within the definition of "income").
- (6) Determination of eligibility for low-income senior citizen status or low-income disabled person status shall be made by the City's Finance Director, the Mayor or another designee of the Mayor based upon statement by the person at least annually or any other reasonable and verifiable means provided by the person at least annually that the City agent chooses to accept.

RATES FOR PROPERTIES AND USERS OUTSIDE THE CITY'S CORPORATE LIMITS (OUTSIDE UTILITY AGREEMENTS):

Customers/consumers at a property that is connected to the domestic water service despite the property being located outside of the city's corporate limits shall, in each and every instance, be charged one hundred fifty percent (150%) of each "regular service rate" specified above that would apply to the property if it were located within the city's corporate limits.

RATES FOR RETAIL BULK WATER SALES:

When a person or entity chooses to make a retail bulk water purchase, the person or entity shall be charged the following rates:

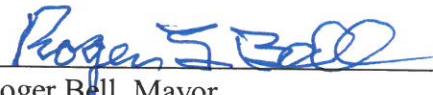
	<u>2025 (last year)</u>	<u>2026 (this year)</u>
Base charge per each fill (regardless of volume)	\$ 12.60	\$ 13.23
Volume charge (per each 100-gallon increment or any portion of an increment)	\$ 2.76	\$ 2.90

**BILLING BY THE CITY, EFFECTIVE DATES OF RATES AND LEVELS, AND
MANDATORY NATURE OF READY TO SERVE CHARGES:**

The City shall bill water customers/consumers on a monthly or near-monthly basis. The rates and levels specified within this Resolution for the year of 2026 shall become applicable as of January 1, 2026. Each property that is connected to the City's domestic water system shall be billed the applicable "ready to serve base rate" amount, at a minimum, per month irrespective of whether the customer/consumer actually does or does not use any water.

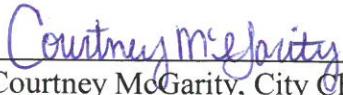
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PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH,
WASHINGTON this 28th day of October, 2025.



Roger Bell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Rob Case, City Attorney