

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Rio Linda /Elverta Community Water District has, after a duly noticed public hearing, adopted Ordinance 2003-02, AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING RATES, FEES AND CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE.

The full text of the ordinance is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-02

AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING RATES, FEES AND
CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is necessary to modify existing regulations and fees relative to the provision of water-related services; and

WHEREAS, the District caused to be prepared a *Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District Long-Range Financial Plan and Water Rate/Capacity Charge Study - Final Report* dated May 22, 2002 by Reed Consulting Group that recommended adjustments to water rate schedules and calculated capacity charges for new development based on the *Water Master Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District undertook a master planning effort to identify water system improvements to correct existing deficiencies and to serve future growth and prepared a *Water Master Plan Capital Improvement Program (CIP)* and a *Water Master Plan - 2003 Revision* showing the estimated costs of the recommended improvements to be undertaken by the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors adopted the *2003/2004 Fiscal Year Budget* on June 16, 2003 indicating the revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the basis for the Board of Directors findings is contained in the following documents: *Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District Long-Range Financial Plan and Water Rate/Capacity Charge Study - Final Report* dated May 22, 2002 by Reed Consulting Group, the *Water Maser Plan Capital Improvement Program*, the *Water Master Plan - 2003 Revision* and

the 2003/2004 Fiscal Year Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors held public workshops on the need to increase water rates on October 8, 2003 and November 5, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors now finds it necessary to modify various rates, fees, charges and regulations associated with District provided water-related services and activities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District as follows:

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to increase water rates and fees as necessitated by increases in the cost of providing water-related services, including, but not limited to, maintenance, professional & specialized services, materials, supplies, utilities, salaries, benefits, fixed assets, and operations and improvements to the water supply system. In addition, the District needs additional funds to finance capital improvement projects identified in the *Water Master Plan - 2003 Revision*.

Section 2. Findings. The Board of Directors finds and determines as follows:

- The increased water-related service rates implemented by this ordinance have been fixed in an amount sufficient to pay the operating expenses of the District to provide for the repair and replacement of certain water system facilities, to pay the principal and interest on existing water revenue bonds, and to provide additional revenue for reserves, existing bond payment coverage ratio requirements and the future financing of certain capital improvements identified in the *Water Master Plan - 2003 Revision*.
- The increased water rates and charges are reasonably related to, and do not exceed, the District's cost of providing water-related services.
- The revenues derived from the water rates and charges do not exceed the funds required to provide water-related services, and are not used for any other purpose than in the provision of water services.
- The amount of the water rates and charges imposed on each

water service customer does not exceed the proportional cost of the water service actually delivered or made available to every identified parcel of real property and/or customer within the District's service boundary.

- The District conducted a duly noticed public hearing on December 15, 2003 concerning the proposed rate increase at which the public had the opportunity to speak to the Board of Directors regarding the proposed increase.
- That the following documents form the basis of the above findings: the *Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District Long-Range Financial Plan and Water Rate/Capacity Charge Study - Final Report* dated May 22, 2002 by Reed Consulting Group; the *Rio Linda / Elverta Community Water District Water Master Plan - Final Report, November 2000* by Camp Dresser & McKee; the *Water Master Plan - 2003 Revision*, adopted August 18, 2003; the staff report entitled *Workshop - Water Rates, Operating Costs, Capital Improvements and other District Costs* dated November 5, 2003 and the *2003/2004 Fiscal Year Budget* adopted on June 16, 2003.

Section 3. The water rates and charges shall be established in accordance with the provisions of Exhibits 1, 2, 3 and 4 attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 4. The Fire Protection Facilities Flat Rate Charge for non-metered privately owned fire protection facilities shall be established as follows: **A.)** For all bills rendered after January 15, 2004 - Bi-monthly: \$7.00 per diameter inch of pipe; Monthly: \$3.50 per diameter inch of pipe; **B.)** For all bills rendered after January 1, 2005 - Bi-monthly: \$7.30 per diameter inch of pipe; Monthly: \$3.65 per diameter inch of pipe; **C.)** For all bills rendered after January 1, 2006 - Bi-monthly: \$7.60 per diameter inch of pipe; Monthly: \$3.80 per diameter inch of pipe; **D.)** For all bills rendered after January 1, 2007 - Bi-monthly: \$8.00 per diameter inch of pipe; Monthly: \$4.00 per diameter inch of pipe;

Section 5. Any provision of any ordinance, resolution, fee, charge and/or other policy of the District in conflict with this Ordinance 2003-02 is hereby modified in respect to the

requirements provided herein. If any existing fees, charges and/or regulations in effect on the date of adoption of this ordinance are not in conflict herewith, said existing fees, charges and/or regulations shall remain in effect. The following ordinances and/or resolutions are hereby repealed and superceded: Resolution 2001-03-01, Resolution 2001-06-01, Resolution 2001-07-01, Resolution 2001-10-01 and Ordinance 1.9.

Section 6. The General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to enforce all the provisions of these regulations. The General Manager shall have the power to render interpretations of these regulations and establish rules and supplemental regulations in order to clarify the application of its provisions.

INTRODUCED by title only on this 17th day of November, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES, in favor hereof: Wickham, Blanchard, Harris, Griffin
and Cater

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

ADOPTED on this 15th day of December 2003, after a noticed Public Hearing, by the following vote:

AYES, in favor hereof: Wickham, Blanchard, Griffin and
Cater

NOES: Harris

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Doug Cater, President
Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Secretary/Clerk of the Board

EXHIBIT 1

The following sections of the District's *Water System Regulations* shall be repealed and replaced in their entirety effective for all bills rendered by the District on, or after, January 15, 2004:

4.31.210 Service Charges.

A. Water Service Charges

The following Base Rate Charges shall include from 0 to 600 cubic feet of water bimonthly, or in the event the customer is billed on a monthly basis, from 0 to 300 cubic feet of water monthly:

Meter Size in Inches	Bi-monthly Base Rate Charge	Monthly Base Rate Charge
5/8	\$20.00	\$10.00
3/4	\$24.00	\$12.00
1	\$36.00	\$18.00
1.5	\$70.00	\$35.00
2	\$112.00	\$56.00
3	\$210.00	\$105.00
4	\$350.00	\$175.00

In addition to the above Base Rate Charge the following Usage Rate Charges shall apply for each 100 cubic feet of water used based on the quantities indicated, meter size and billing frequency:

Bimonthly Usage Rates

Meter Size in Inches	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
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5/8	601 – 2600	2601 – 15,600	15,601+
³/₄to 1¹/₂	601 – 5800	5801 – 44,800	44,801+
2 to 4	601 – 55,200	55,201 – 286,000	286,001+
Rate:	\$0.43 per 100 c.f.	\$0.54 per 100 c.f.	\$0.68 per 100 c.f.

Monthly Usage Rates

<u>Meter Size in Inches</u>	<u>Tier 1</u>	<u>Tier 2</u>	<u>Tier 3</u>
5/8	301 – 1300	1301 – 7,800	7,801+
³/₄to 1¹/₂	301 – 2900	2901 – 22,400	22,401+
2 to 4	301 – 27,600	27,601 – 143,000	143,001+
Rate:	\$0.43 per 100 c.f.	\$0.54 per 100 c.f.	\$0.68 per 100 c.f.

EXHIBIT 2

The following sections of the District's *Water System Regulations* shall be repealed and replaced in their entirety effective for all bills rendered by the District on, or after, January 1, 2005:

4.31.210 Service Charges.

A. Water Service Charges

The following Base Rate Charges shall include from 0 to 600 cubic feet of water bimonthly, or in the event the customer is billed on a monthly basis, from 0 to 300 cubic feet of water monthly:

Meter Size in Inches	Bi-monthly Base Rate Charge	Monthly Base Rate Charge
5/8	\$23.00	\$11.50
3/4	\$27.60	\$13.80
1	\$41.40	\$20.70
1.5	\$80.50	\$40.25
2	\$128.80	\$64.40
3	\$241.50	\$120.75
4	\$402.50	\$201.25

In addition to the above Base Rate Charge the following Usage Rate Charges shall apply for each 100 cubic feet of water used based on the quantities indicated, meter size and billing frequency:

Bimonthly Usage Rates

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5/8	601 – 2600	2601 – 15,600	15,601+
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EXHIBIT 3

The following sections of the District's *Water System Regulations* shall be repealed and replaced in their entirety effective for all bills rendered by the District on, or after, January 1, 2006:

4.31.210 Service Charges.

A. Water Service Charges

The following Base Rate Charges shall include from 0 to 600 cubic feet of water bimonthly, or in the event the customer is billed on a monthly basis, from 0 to 300 cubic feet of water monthly:

Meter Size in Inches	Bi-monthly Base Rate Charge	Monthly Base Rate Charge
5/8	\$26.00	\$13.00
3/4	\$31.20	\$15.60
1	\$46.80	\$23.40
1.5	\$91.00	\$45.50
2	\$145.60	\$72.80
3	\$273.00	\$136.50
4	\$455.00	\$227.50

In addition to the above Base Rate Charge the following Usage Rate Charges shall apply for each 100 cubic feet of water used based on the quantities indicated, meter size and billing frequency:

Bimonthly Usage Rates

<u>Meter Size in Inches</u>	<u>Tier 1</u>	<u>Tier 2</u>	<u>Tier 3</u>
5/8	601 – 2600	2601 – 15,600	15,601+
³ / ₄ to 1½	601 – 5800	5801 – 44,800	44,801+
2 to 4	601 – 55,200	55,201 – 286,000	286,001+
Rate:	\$0.43 per 100 c.f.	\$0.54 per 100 c.f.	\$0.68 per 100 c.f.

Monthly Usage Rates

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Rate:	\$0.43 per 100 c.f.	\$0.54 per 100 c.f.	\$0.68 per 100 c.f.

EXHIBIT 4

The following sections of the District's *Water System Regulations* shall be repealed and replaced in their entirety effective for all bills rendered by the District on, or after, January 1, 2007:

4.31.210 Service Charges.

A. Water Service Charges

The following Base Rate Charges shall include from 0 to 600 cubic feet of water bimonthly, or in the event the customer is billed on a monthly basis, from 0 to 300 cubic feet of water monthly:

<u>Meter Size in Inches</u>	<u>Bi-monthly Base Rate Charge</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate Charge</u>
5/8	\$29.00	\$14.50
3/4	\$34.80	\$17.40
1	\$52.20	\$26.10
1.5	\$101.50	\$50.75
2	\$162.40	\$81.20

3	\$304.50	\$152.25
4	\$507.50	\$253.75

In addition to the above Base Rate Charge the following Usage Rate Charges shall apply for each 100 cubic feet of water used based on the quantities indicated, meter size and billing frequency:

Bimonthly Usage Rates

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