

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-____

AN ORDINANCE relating to utility charges, amending Chapter 7.80.110 YMC to update the base rate fee for the Storm Drainage and Surface Water Management Utility.

WHEREAS, the City of Yakima (City) is authorized by Title 35 RCW to acquire, construct, own operate, and provide financing for storm drainage and surface water management, and to establish rates, fees, and charges therefore; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to revise the rate fees for storm drainage and surface water management services provided by the City of Yakima; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Yakima finds that it is in the best interest of the residents and the City to revise the rates and amend the Yakima Municipal Code to reflect rate revisions effective January 1, 2019; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

Section 1. Section 7.80.110 of Chapter 7.80 of the City of Yakima Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.80.110 Base rate.

The base rate shall be calculated to provide adequate revenues to cover all costs allowable under applicable law that are incurred by the utility. The city council adopts the annual base rate as shown below:

Annual Base Rate effective January 11, 2019	Annual Base Rate effective January 1, 2020	Annual Base Rate effective January 1, 2021	Annual Base Rate effective January 1, 2022
\$73.56	\$75.36	\$77.28	\$79.20

In years thereafter, the ongoing revenue requirements for the stormwater utility shall be reviewed and the annual base rates shall be adjusted or maintained as needed. The frequency of adjustments to base rates thereafter shall be as required to ensure fair and full funding of the program.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional, unlawful or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law and by the City Charter.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, signed and approved this 4th day of December, 2018.

ATTEST:

Kathy Coffey, Mayor

Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk

Publication Date:_____

Effective Date:_____