

RESOLUTION NO. 526

AUTHORIZING AND IMPLEMENTING A SENIOR/LOW INCOME DISCOUNT

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that a number of low-income senior citizens and disabled citizens who are in need of financial assistance reside within the District's service are, and

WHEREAS, RCW 57.08.014 permits Water Districts to adjust, or delay rates and charges for low-income persons or classes of low-income persons, including but not limited to, poor handicapped persons and poor senior citizens, and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the District, acting as a corporate citizen within the community as a whole, to adjust rates and charges for several classes of low-income persons, and

WHEREAS, the District's consulting engineer has completed a water rate study with a low income/senior discount 2003-2006 as follows:

Low Income/Senior Bi-Monthly Discount	2003	2004	2005	2006
Discount Class 1	-\$2.00	-\$4.00	-\$4.00	-\$4.00
Discount Class 2	-4.00	-8.00	-8.00	-8.00
Discount Class 3	-6.00	-12.00	-12.00	-12.00


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of the EAST WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT as follows:

The uniform unit water service rate currently in effect for all customers shall be adjusted for classes of low-income senior citizens and disabled citizens who file for and qualify for exemption from real property taxes with the Douglas County Assessor under the rules of the Washington State Department of Revenue. Service rates for said qualified persons who apply to the District for service rate adjustment may be adjusted according to the following schedule:


- Uniform unit water service rates for those whose household combined disposable income limit, as defined by the Washington State Department of Revenue, is \$18,000.00 or less per year may be reduced by \$6.00 per unit per month.
- Uniform unit water service rates for those whose household combined disposable income limit, as defined by the Washington State Department of Revenue, is \$18,001.00 per year or more per year up to \$24,000.00 per year may be reduced by \$4.00 per unit per month.
- Uniform unit water service rates for those whose household combined disposable income limit as defined by the Washington State Department of Revenue, is \$24,001.00 per year or more per year up to \$30,000.00 per year may be reduced by \$2.00 per unit per month.

The above adjustment shall become effective on the 1st day of January, 2003, if a customer is determined by the District to have qualified for an adjustment of their rates and/or charges.

ADOPTED, THIS 4th day of December, 2002, by the Board of Commissioners of the East Wenatchee Water District, Douglas County, Washington at a regular meeting thereof.


Matthew Warner, President

ATTEST:


Glen Broadsword, Secretary