

ORIGINAL

**RESOLUTION NO. 670**

**AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE DISTRICT'S MONTHLY BASE RATE AND EXCESS RATE**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has spent considerable time in reviewing and evaluating certain additions and betterments being proposed in District's updated six year proforma and Comprehensive Plan, as well as the projected cash reserves anticipated at the end of the 2016 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the need to initiate a rate increase as described herein is supported in the financial and capital improvement plans established in the District's six year Comprehensive plan (as adopted), and

WHEREAS, the present base and excess rates for water service to various customers of the East Wenatchee Water District has been reviewed by the Board of Commissioners, and the District's engineer recommended that the District raise its base and excess rates for water service on an annual basis to keep up with inflation and anticipated project costs, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the existing rates are inadequate to address future improvements as called for in the District's Comprehensive Plan, and other monthly expenditures as required in the day to day operation of the District, and


WHEREAS, the amendments to the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act has created an additional expense to the District in order to meet the necessary requirements as directed by both the Washington State Department of Health and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, and

WHEREAS, after much consideration and reviewing the future needs of the District, the Board of Water Commissioners deem it to be in the best interest of the Water District to increase the base and excess rates thereby allowing the District to pursue the Betterments and Improvements that is identified in the Comprehensive Plan, as well as raise it's reserves to keep them at a level so the District would be in a position to meet a financial emergency and maintain financial integrity for the benefit of it's customers, all according to the rates set forth on the following table, and

2016 Water Rates / Bi-Monthly			
Meter Size	2015 Rate	2016 Rate	Change
5/8 Inch	\$49.00	\$53.00	\$4.00
1 Inch	\$54.50	\$58.50	\$4.00
1-1/2 Inch	\$61.10	\$66.25	\$5.15
2 Inch	\$78.70	\$85.00	\$6.30
3 Inch	\$211.20	\$228.00	\$16.80
4 Inch	\$260.20	\$281.00	\$20.80
Additional Multi-Family Unit	\$39.20	\$42.00	\$2.80
Excess Water Consumption			
Charge per 100cf*	\$1.55	\$1.65	\$0.10
*Consumption charge in excess of 1,200cf (cubic feet) per billing cycle.			
	2015	2016	Change
Senior Level 1	(\$6.00)	(\$10.00)	(\$4.00)
Senior Level 2	(\$11.00)	(\$15.00)	(\$4.00)
Senior Level 3	(\$15.00)	(\$19.00)	(\$4.00)

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of the EAST WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT pursuant to RCW 57.08.081 that the rate schedule described above is and shall be adopted on and effective as January 1, 2016 the new rate schedule as shown above will be implemented.

ADOPTED, THIS 15th day of December 2015, by the Board of Commissioners of the East Wenatchee Water District, Douglas County, Washington at a regular meeting thereof.

  
Terry Barnes, President

ATTEST:

  
G. Brian Egan, Secretary