



# Water and Sewer Rate adjustments to take effect December 1, 2012

## New rates included in February and March 2013 utility statements

**As a City of Kirkland water and sewer account customer**, you will see an increase in rates in your February and March utility statements. Due to increased rates from Cascade Water Alliance and King County Wastewater Division, it is necessary that the City adjust its customer rates.

**The new rates will take effect on December 1, 2012.**

Because water and sewer usage is different for single-family, multi-family (e.g. apartments, condominiums) and commercial (e.g. tenants in a business complex) customers it is not possible to determine the exact impact on your utility bill. The **average monthly increase on a single-family home for water and sewer is approximately \$5.75 or 5.25 percent.**

**Low income senior discounts are available** if you live in a single-family home, if you or your spouse is 62 years of age or older, and in 2012 you received as a single person \$2,566.67 or less gross monthly income or being married, you received \$2,933.33 or less gross monthly income.

### ■ SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

Every two months, single-family homes are billed a basic fee for **water** that includes the first 3,000 gallons (4 units) of water consumed. Each unit beyond 4 is an added charge. Residential **sewer** rates are based upon a customer's previous winter water consumption.

### ■ MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS

For multi-family complexes and commercial properties, the basic **water** charge is billed by meter size plus additional charges for consumption. **Sewer** charges are based upon a minimum charge plus an amount for wastewater (based on water usage).

See reverse for  
the 2012 vs.  
2013 utility rate  
comparisons.

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Please note the following special service fees:

Alternate billing..... \$10	After-hours water turn off/on..... \$50
Cut lock fee..... \$60	Estimated final bill..... \$30
Shut off for unpaid bills..... \$40	Shut-off tag..... \$20



Single-Family Residential Utility Rates 2012 vs. 2013 (2-Month Billing)			
Water		2012 Rate	2013 Rate
<b>Basic Charge</b>		\$33.52	\$34.64
Charge Per Unit for Additional Water Consumed			
Units 5 through 24		\$ 4.02	\$ 4.16
Units 25 and greater		\$ 5.27	\$ 5.45
Sewer		2012 Rate	2013 Rate
<b>Basic Charge – King County Wastewater Treatment</b>		\$72.20	\$ 79.58
Minimum Consumption billed – Kirkland Wastewater (Includes 6 units of Average Winter Water Consumption for 2 months)		\$25.38	\$ 25.62
Sewer consumption charge per unit of average winter water consumed		\$ 4.23	\$ 4.27

Multifamily and Commercial Utility Rates 2012 vs. 2013 (2 Month Billing)				
		Meter Size	2012 Rate	2013 Rate
<b>Water</b>	<b>Basic Charge</b>	5/8" – 3/4"	\$ 29.92	\$ 30.92
		1"	\$ 51.44	\$ 53.18
		1 1/2"	\$ 81.74	\$ 84.50
		2"	\$131.12	\$135.54
		3"	\$372.42	\$384.98
		4"	\$514.42	\$531.76
		5"	\$665.14	\$687.56
		6"	\$880.64	\$ 910.32
		8"	\$1,311.70	\$1,355.90
	Charge for Water Consumed Per Unit (750 Gallons)		4.52	4.67
	Sprinkler Meters Per Unit (no basic charge)		5.35	5.53
<b>Sewer</b>	<b>Basic Charge</b>		<b>96.18</b>	<b>108.12</b>
	(Includes 12 units for 2 month bill)			
	Consumption Charge Per Unit of Water Consumed above 12 units		8.44	9.01

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