RESOLUTION NO. <u>2020-40</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM ADOPTING THE 2020 - 2025 WATER USE EFFICIENCY GOAL AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

WHEREAS, In 2003 the Washington State legislature passed House Bill 1338, known as the Municipal Water Law, to address increasing demands on our state's water resources; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health was directed to oversee and enforce a Water Use Efficiency Program (WUE) to help support the goals of ensuring safe and reliable drinking water supplies, and

WHEREAS, The City Council adopted the 2014-2019 Goals and Performance Measures by Resolution 2014-35 on October 13, 2014, and

WHEREAS, The City Council has considered staff presentations, proposals and public comment for the City of Bellingham Water Use Efficiency Goals and Performance Measures for 2020-2025:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM:

The following goal and performance measures shall be included into the City of Bellingham's Water Use Efficiency Program and are hereby adopted.

Goal

Maintain average peak day demand between June 1 and August 31 of each year to below 14 mgd during the 2020-2025 program period.

Measures

- 1. Continue single-family residential rebate program
- 2. Continue multi-family residential rebate program
- 3. Continue commercial and institutional rebate program
- 4. Initiate industrial rebate program
- 5. High water use notification program
- 6. Create a plan to work with highest summer water users to reduce consumption
- 7. Evaluate the option of switching to monthly billing
- 8. Adjust water billing rates to promote conservation
- 9. Continue community education and engagement programs

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM:
PASSED by the Council this 12th day of October, 2020. Gene Knutson, Council President
APPROVED by me this day of, 2020. Seth Fleetwood Mayor
ATTEST: Andy Asbjornsen, Finance Director
APPROVED AS TO FORM: Office of the City Attorney