



# City Council Agenda Bill

20330  
Bill Number

**Subject: Ordinance Amending Bellingham Municipal Code 15.08 to Create a New Service Classification and Rate for Bulk Water Filling Stations**

**Summary Statement:** The Public Works Department has recently completed installation of two bulk water filling stations. The stations will allow for multiple users to access water using a PIN code system and allow the City to track and monitor usage. The proposed ordinance amends Bellingham Municipal Code 15.08 to create a new service classification and volumetric rate for bulk water filling stations. Bulk water is typically used for non-potable maintenance and construction activities. Due to the intermittent nature of bulk water use, customers in the bulk water rate class will be charged based on volume only. Customers will be billed monthly if water is used. No base charge will apply. The volumetric rate will be the same as the irrigation only customer class.

**Previous Council Action:** None

**Fiscal Impact:** The ordinance is expected to result in increased revenue to the water fund 410.

**Funding Source:** User fees

**Attachments:** Proposed Bulk Water Service Ordinance

Meeting Activity	Meeting Date	Staff Recommendation	Presented By	Time
Committee Briefing Vote Requested	3/10/2014	Pass Ordinance	Ted Carlson, PW Director	5 minutes

**Recommended Motion:** .

**Council Committee:**  
Public Works and Public Safety Committee  
JW/ML moved to recommend approval. TB  
Concurred

**Agenda Bill Contact:**  
Eric Johnston, PW, 778-7710

**Council Action:**  
TB/JW moved approval for first and second  
reading. Motion Carried 6-0. Council Member  
Knutson out of Chambers.

Reviewed By	Department	Date
<i>Ted A. Carlson</i>	Public Works	03/04/2014
<i>Peter M. Ruffatto</i>	Legal	03/04/2014
<i>Kelli J. Linville</i>	Executive	03/04/2014

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON AMENDING BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE 15.08 TO ADOPT A SERVICE CLASSIFICATION AND VOLUMETRIC RATE FOR BULK WATER FILLING STATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bellingham (the "City") owns and operates a water utility in accordance with Title 35.92 Revised Code of Washington and Title 15.08 Bellingham Municipal Code ("BMC"); and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to amend BMC 15.08 to adopt a new service classification and volumetric rate for bulk water filling stations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**

**BMC 15.08.010 - Types of water service** is amended as follows:

The following types of water service are provided by the city:

- A. [UNCHANGED]
- B. [UNCHANGED]
- C. [UNCHANGED]
- D. [UNCHANGED]
- E. [UNCHANGED]
- F. [UNCHANGED]
- G. [UNCHANGED]

H. Bulk water service is a metered potable water service provided at bulk water filling stations to customers with water-hauling vehicles.

**Section 2.**

**BMC 15.08.250 - Water rates and charges** is amended as follows:

- A. [UNCHANGED]

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B. [UNCHANGED]

C. [UNCHANGED]

D. The following water use rates are:

1. [UNCHANGED]

2. The rates effective January 1, 2014, shall be:

(a) [UNCHANGED]

(b) Volume Rates (per ccf)	
Single Family Metered	\$1.63
Transitional Single-Family	\$1.42
Non-Single Family (multi-family commercial, institutional)	\$1.77
Irrigation	\$2.40
<u>Bulk Water Filling Station</u>	<u>\$2.40</u>

(c) [UNCHANGED]

(d) [UNCHANGED]

(e) [UNCHANGED]

3. The rates effective January 1, 2015, shall be:

(a) [UNCHANGED]

(b) Volume Rates (per ccf)	
Single Family Metered	\$1.67
Transitional Single-Family	\$1.42
Non-Single Family (multi-family commercial, institutional)	\$1.93
Irrigation	\$2.45
<u>Bulk Water Filling Station</u>	<u>\$2.45</u>

(c) [UNCHANGED]

(d) [UNCHANGED]

(e) [UNCHANGED]

4. The rates effective January 1, 2016, shall be:

- (a) [UNCHANGED]
- (b) Volume Rates (per ccf)
 

Single Family Metered	\$1.72
Non-Single Family (multi-family commercial, institutional)	\$1.94
Irrigation	\$2.50
<u>Bulk Water Filling Station</u>	<u>\$2.50</u>

(c) [UNCHANGED]

(d) [UNCHANGED]

5. The rates effective January 1, 2017, shall be:

- (a) Volume Rates (per ccf)
 

Single Family	\$1.82
Non-Single Family (multi-family commercial, institutional)	\$1.94
Irrigation	\$2.55
<u>Bulk Water Filling Station</u>	<u>\$2.55</u>

(b) [UNCHANGED]

(c) [UNCHANGED]

6. The rates effective January 1, 2018, shall be:

- (a) Volume Rates (per ccf)
 

Single Family	\$1.94
Non-Single Family (multi-family commercial, institutional)	\$1.97
Irrigation	\$2.60
<u>Bulk Water Filling Station</u>	<u>\$2.60</u>

(b) [UNCHANGED]

(c) [UNCHANGED]

7. [UNCHANGED]

8. [UNCHANGED]

9. [UNCHANGED]

E. [UNCHANGED]  
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F. [UNCHANGED]

G. [UNCHANGED]

H. [UNCHANGED]

**Section 3.**

This ordinance shall take effect fifteen days after the date of final passage.

**PASSED** by the Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Council President

**APPROVED** by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Finance Director

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Office of the City Attorney

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