

**CITY OF BLAINE**  
**REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**  
**MEETING DATE:** April 10, 2006

**SUBJECT:** 2006 Water Connection Fee Increases  
**SUBMITTING DEPT:** Finance and Public Works Departments  
**PREPARED BY:** Meredith Riley, Finance Director and Steve Banham, PW Director

**AGENDA LOCATION:** Comments/Communications ; Consent ; Committee Reports ;  
Unfinished Business ; New Business ; Public Hearing ; Standing Committees

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**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. Ordinance No. 06-2638  
2. Water connection fee comparison

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**ANALYSIS/SUMMARY:** The connection fees for Water are to be increased by the previous year-end's Seattle Consumer Price Index. This is per Blaine Municipal Code 13.07.020 A(8). The Seattle CPI for 2005 was 2.8%. This increase will be in effect for the remainder of 2006.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**  Waive 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: (Include conditions of approval if applicable)  
Staff recommends that City Council pass the attached ordinance.

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**FISCAL ANALYSIS:** This Water connection fee increase is to keep the Water Fund current with inflation.

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**REVIEWED BY:**  
City Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Finance Dir. \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

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**COUNCIL ACTION:**  
 Approved  Denied  Tabled/Deferred  Assigned to: \_\_\_\_\_

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**COUNCIL ACTION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDINANCE NO. 06-2638**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLAINE,  
WASHINGTON, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 05-2625, BLAINE MUNICIPAL CODE  
SECTION 13.14.020 TO PROVIDE FOR CPI INCREASES FOR THE GENERAL  
FACILITIES FEE AND OTHER WATER SERVICE COSTS.**

**WHEREAS**, Blaine Municipal Code 13.07.020 A(8) provides that the General Facility Fee for water is to be adjusted on March first of each year based on the preceding year-end Seattle Consumer Price Index, and

**WHEREAS**, the other costs associated with provision of water services are also subject to increases as reflected in the CPI, and

**WHEREAS**, as of the end of the year 2005 the Seattle CPI was 2.8%,

**BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLAINE** as follows:

**SECTION 1:** Blaine Municipal Code Section 13.14.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

**13.14.020 Assessments - Water.**

**A. General Facility Fee.**

1. Within city limits: \$2,242.00 per ERU.
2. Outside city limits: \$3,457.00 per ERU.
3. Semiahmoo: \$1,433.00 per ERU (Semiahmoo mitigation fee).

**B. Front Footage Fee.**

1. Within city limits: Actual cost (costs will be determined on completion of each water line extension).
2. Outside city limits: Actual cost (see above) X 1.5.
3. Semiahmoo: No front footage fee – developer provides all extensions.

**C. Connection Fee.**

1. Services and meter:

<u>Size</u>	<u>Within City Limits</u>	<u>Outside City Limits</u>	<u>Semiahmoo</u>
3/4"	\$802.00	\$884.00	\$809.00*
1"	\$915.00	\$1,081.00	
1-1/2"	\$2,018.00	\$2,216.00	
2"	\$2,450.00	\$2,533.00	
Greater than 2"	Time/Materials	150% of Time/Materials	

\*Semiahmoo mitigation fee

2. Meter only:

<u>Size</u>	<u>Within City Limits (including Semiahmoo)</u>	<u>Outside City Limits</u>
3/4"	\$102.00	\$109.00
1"	\$161.00	\$169.00
1-1/2"	N/A	N/A
2"	N/A	N/A

3. Pavement restoration (refundable if not required):

	<u>Within City Limits (including Semiahmoo)</u>	<u>Outside City Limits</u>
Asphalt	\$104.00	\$156.00
Concrete	\$208.00	\$313.00

4. County road permit:

- a. Within city limits: not applicable.
- b. Outside city limits: cost.

**D. Hydrant.**

1. Within city limits: \$0.01 per square foot, not to exceed \$500.00.
2. Outside city limits: \$0.015 per square foot, not to exceed \$750.00.
3. Semiahmoo: No fee. Developer provides all facilities except residential meter.

**SECTION 2:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3:** If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4:** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor, if approved, otherwise, as provided by law and five days after the date of posting for publication.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BLAINE, WASHINGTON** on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2006, and approved by the Mayor on the same day.

CITY OF BLAINE, WASHINGTON

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Sheri Sanchez, City Clerk

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Jon Sitkin, City Attorney

**13.14.020 ASSESSMENTS - WATER**

<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>1995 - 2005</b>
102.8%	101.2%	100.0%

**A. General Facility Fee**

<b>Water ERU</b>	<b>Per ERU</b>	<b>Per ERU</b>	<b>Per ERU</b>
Within City Limits	\$2,242	\$2,181	\$2,155
Outside City Limits	\$3,457	\$3,271	\$3,232
Semiahmoo Mitigation Fee	\$1,433	\$1,394	\$1,377

**B. Front Footage Fee**

	<b>Actual Cost</b>	<b>Actual Cost</b>	<b>Actual Cost</b>
Within City Limits	Actual Cost	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
Outside City Limits	Actual Cost X 1.5	Actual Cost X 1.5	Actual Cost X 1.5
Semiahmoo Mitigation Fee	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*

\*No front footage fee - Developer provides all extensions.

**C. Connection Fees**

**1. Services and meter:**

<b>Size</b>			
3/4" In City	\$802	\$779	\$770
1" In City	\$915	\$891	\$880
1 1/2" In City	\$2,018	\$1,963	\$1,940
2" In City	\$2,450	\$2,383	\$2,355
Greater than 2" In City	Time & Materials	Time & Materials	Time & Materials
3/4" Outside City	\$884	\$860	\$850
1" Outside City	\$1,081	\$1,052	\$1,040
1 1/2" Outside City	\$2,216	\$2,156	\$2,130
2" Outside City	\$2,533	\$2,464	\$2,435
Greater than 2" Outside City	Time/Matrls X 1.5	Time/Matrls X 1.5	Time/Matrls X 1.5
Semiahmoo Mitigation Fee	\$809	\$787	\$778

**2. Meter only:**

<b>Size</b>			
3/4" In City*	\$102	\$99	\$98
1" In City*	\$161	\$157	\$155
1 1/2" In City*	N/A	N/A	N/A
2" In City*	N/A	N/A	N/A
3/4" Outside City	\$109	\$106	\$105
1" Outside City	\$169	\$164	\$162
1 1/2" Outside City	N/A	N/A	N/A
2" Outside City	N/A	N/A	N/A

\*Includes Semiahmoo

**3. Pavement restoration (refundable if not required):**

Within City*			
Asphalt	\$104	\$101	\$100
Concrete	\$208	\$202	\$200
Outside City			
Asphalt	\$156	\$152	\$150
Concrete	\$313	\$304	\$300

\*Includes Semiahmoo

**4. County road permit:**

a. Within city limits:	not applicable cost	not applicable cost	not applicable cost
b. Outside city limits:			

**D. Hydrant.**

<b>Per Square Foot</b>			
Within City	\$0.01	\$0.01	\$0.01
	</= \$500.00	</= \$500.00	</= \$500.00
Outside City	\$0.015	\$0.015	\$0.015
	</= \$750.00	</= \$750.00	</= \$750.00
Semiahmoo	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*

\*No fee - Developer provides all facilities except residential meter.