

**CITY OF GOLD BAR, WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE #715**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GOLD BAR, WASHINGTON, AMENDING
TITLE 13 OF THE GOLD BAR MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LOW INCOME
SENIOR CITIZENS**

WHEREAS, Gold Bar Municipal Code 13.12.030 stipulates water rates for qualifying low income senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, those rates have not been revised since 1996; and

WHEREAS, since that time all fees for the City have been incorporated in a City Fee Schedule; and

WHEREAS, the City Fee Schedule allows review and revision of City fees through the resolution process rather than ordinance amendments; and

Whereas, Gold Bar Municipal Code 13.12.010 includes definitions and qualifications for low income elderly, and Section E defines a set amount for qualifying, that does not change with poverty and low level income levels that adjust yearly;

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF GOLD BAR ORDAINS as follows:

Section I, Title 13.12.030, Reduced Rate Schedule

Section II, Title 13.12.010, Low Income Elderly, Defined

Section III, Severability

Section IV, Effective Date

Section I, Title 13.12.030, Reduced Rate Schedule

For all qualifying low-income elderly persons, as hereinafter defined, the residential water rate and residential water assessment rate, shall be set by resolution in the City's Fee Schedule. This reduced rate shall only apply to water usage that is below the appropriate minimum quantities as set by resolution in the City's Fee Schedule. For water usage that exceeds these minimum monthly quantities, the rates established in the City's Fee Schedule shall apply, as now or hereafter amended.

Section II, Title 13.12.010, Low Income Elderly, Defined:

E. Have an income no greater than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level Guidelines in the calendar year preceding the year in which the application for a reduced rate is made, and based on the number of persons in the household.

Section III, Severability

This ordinance is severable and if any portion of it shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining portion shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section IV, Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect from, and after, its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Gold Bar this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Attest:

Attest:

Lisa Stowe, Clerk/Treasurer

William Clem, Mayor

First Reading: _____

Posted: _____

Second Reading: _____

Passed: _____

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