

ORDINANCE NO. 2219

AN ORDINANCE reenacting Ordinance No. 2210, and amending Section 13.36.070 of the Camas Municipal Code, by revising the utility charges for government services.

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1999, the City Council enacted Ordinance No. 2210, which in part increased the fees for water and sewer utility services used by certain governmental agencies, and

WHEREAS, Washington voters have approved Initiative 722, which in part invalidates all tax and fee increases adopted by local governments between July 2, 1999, and December 31, 1999, and

WHEREAS, several cities have filed suit challenging the constitutionality of Initiative 722, and

WHEREAS, due to the uncertainty surrounding the passage of Initiative 722 and legal challenges thereto, the City Council desires to reenact the increases in utility charges for certain governmental agencies,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMAS DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section I

Ordinance No. 2210, which increased the fees for water and sewer utility services used by certain governmental agencies, is hereby reenacted, confirmed and ratified effective January 1, 2000.

Section II

Section 13.36.030 of the Camas Municipal Code is amended to provide as follows:

13.36.030 - Combination of Residential and Commercial Classes. Where a single service is provided to a combination of residential and commercial classes, the residential rate shall be charged for all water service. The charge for sewer service shall consist of one residential sewer charge plus commercial sewer consumption. Commercial sewer consumption shall be equal to the consumption of water used.

Section III

Section 13.36.070 of the Camas Municipal Code is amended to provide as follows:

13.36.070 - Utility Charge—Governmental Users. The following designated governmental users shall pay for water and sewer utilities as follows:

- a. Rental by the Camas Fire Department of all fire hydrants within the City of Camas shall be \$900.00 per month.
- b. Rental of fire hydrants outside the limits of the City of Camas by any other municipality or fire district shall be \$10.00 per month per hydrant.

c. All other utility services for governmental users shall be charged at the regular meter rate.

Section IV

If any section, clause or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance.

Section V

This ordinance shall take force and be in effect five (5) days from and after its publication according to law.

PASSED by the Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 4th day of December, 2000.

SIGNED: Mary K. Giddick-Attles  
Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST: Jan M. Sargis, Jr.  
Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

[Signature]  
City Attorney