HARTSTENE POINTE WATER-SEWER DISTRICT MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION 2013-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HARTSTENE POINTE WATER-SEWER DISTRICT REVISING, DEFINING AND ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER CUSTOMER RATE CLASSIFICATIONS.

WHEREAS, RCW 57.08.081 authorizes Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District to fix rates and charges for furnishing sewer service and facilities to those to whom sewer service is available and for providing such service, and to fix rates and charges for providing water service, such rates and charges to be fixed as deemed necessary by the District Board and Commissioner so that uniform charges will be made for the same class of customer or service and facility; and

WHEREAS, RCW 57.08.081 authorizes the District Board of Commissioners in classifying customers to consider in its discretion several factors including the difference in cost to various customers, the difference in cost of maintenance, operation, repair and replacement of the various parts of the system, the different character of the service furnished to various customers, the quantity and quality of the service and facility furnished, the time of its use, the achievement of water conservation goals and the discouragement of wasteful practices and any other matters which present a reasonable difference as a ground for a distinction in the establishment of water and sewer service rates and charges; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District as follows:

1. Definitions:

- a. "Residential" shall mean a residence designed and/or used for residential occupancy as a residential unit such as a single family residence, apartment, or condominium. Residences under construction will be classified as a Connected Lot until the Mason County Building Department has approved the structure for occupancy, at which time the property's classification will change to Residential.
- b. "Connected Lot" shall mean any lot for which the connection fees have been paid, water adequacy has been approved by Mason County Public Health, and there is a water/sewer connection. If and when a residence has been approved by the Mason County Building Department for occupancy, the classification of the property will convert to Residential.
- c. "Commercial," "Industrial," and "Non-Residential" shall mean all connections to the water and/or sewer systems other than for Residential uses and customers as defined herein.
- d. "Prepaid Connection Lots" shall mean all lots on which there is no residential structure, for which water and sewer connection fees had been pre-paid prior to 2009, and the prepaid connection status has been maintained by the property owner. See Resolution 2013-02 for policies regarding prepaid connection lots.
- e. "Non-Connected Lots" shall mean all lots on which there exists no structure or water/sewer connection and for which water and sewer connection fees have not been paid, or for which a pre-existing prepaid connection status has been relinquished in accordance with the policies and procedures outlined in Resolution 2013-02. Any vacant lot with a water and/or sewer connection, such as a hose bib and/or sewer

stub, shall be classified as a Connected Lot and be subject to the associated monthly service charges.

- 2. Rate Classifications:
 - a. Rate Class A shall apply to all Residential water connections.
 - b. Rate Class B shall apply to all Residential sewer connections.
 - c. Rate Class C shall apply to all Non-Residential water connections.
 - d. Rate Class D shall apply to all Non-Residential sewer connections.
 - e. Rate Class E shall apply to all Prepaid Connection Lots (water) and Connected Lots for water connections.
 - f. Rate Class F shall apply to all Prepaid Connection Lots (sewer) and Connected Lots for sewer connections.
 - g. No rate will apply to Non-Connected Lots.
- 3. All other District resolutions, policies, and procedures, including Resolution 2013-03, are hereby modified, repealed, and/or superseded to be in accordance with this resolution effective as of the date of adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners by Hartstene Pointe Water-Sewer District at the regular open public meeting thereof held the _____ day of ________, 2013.

HARTSTENE POINTE WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT Mason County, Washington

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