

ORDINANCE NO. 18-3904

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING
ORDINANCE 16-3881 TO CHANGE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ADJUSTMENTS
TO THE METHOD OF CALCULATION OF STORMWATER RATES FOR
UNDEVELOPED AND MULTIFAMILY PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the City operates a utility for the provision of stormwater management services; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted Ordinance 15-3843 to assess stormwater charges on certain vacant and undeveloped parcels and to change the method of calculation of charges on certain multifamily parcels to reflect impervious service area; and

WHEREAS, the City included these changes in Ordinance 16-3881 that also adjusted monthly rates for the stormwater utility; and

WHEREAS, the City has been unable to implement these adjustments to the methods of calculation of the stormwater rates until updated billing and inventory processes were in place to assure accurate calculation of the rates; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed these updates and wishes to amend the effective date of these changes to clarify the 2018 implementation; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is intended to change the effective date of the amendments to how rates are calculated on certain undeveloped parcels and on multifamily parcels

**NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO,
WASHINGTON DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. **Public Interest**. The Kelso City Council finds it to be in the public interest to adopt these changes to ordinance 16-3881.

Section 2. **Amending Ordinance 16-3881**. Section 3 of Ordinance 16-3881 is hereby amended as follows:

A. The **annual** rates established herein shall take effect on the parcel owner's first full billing cycle after January 1, 2017; **provided however that the effective date of the changes to the definition of undeveloped parcel of Section 2(A) of this ordinance and the definition of single family parcel of Section 2(B) of this ordinance shall be the first full billing cycle after January 1, 2018; and provided further that the effective date of the calculation of multi-family parcels as other developed parcels shall be the first full billing cycle after January 1, 2018.**

B. The monthly service charge for multifamily parcels shall be charged the single-family base rate for each dwelling unit within the parcel until the first full billing cycle after January 1st, 2018.

Section 3. **Corrections.** The City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make necessary clerical corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

Section 4. **Severability.** Any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person, legal entity, or circumstance is held invalid; the remainder of the ordinance or its application to other persons, legal entities, or circumstances is not affected.

Section 5. **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) calendar days after adoption and publication pursuant to law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON THIS 6th
DAY OF February, 2018.

CITY OF KELSO

Nancy Malone
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Brian Ball
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janean Parker
Janean Parker, City Attorney

Public Hearing:

First reading:

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