## PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF JEFFERSON COUNTY

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-017**

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. I of Jefferson County, Washington ("The PUD"), revising, updating and approving certain changes to the PUD low-income water rate discount program and revising the PUD Rate Schedules to include the Low-Income discounts for electric and water customers.

**WHEREAS,** the PUD is responsible for maintaining and operating certain water systems and related facilities throughout Jefferson County, Washington and to provide an ample water supply; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to RCW 54.24.080 and RCW 74.38.070 the PUD may provide certain rate reductions to low-income customers; and

**WHEREAS,** the PUD has reviewed its water rates as part of an overall cost of service analysis overseen by staff and prepared by consultants at FCS Group beginning in April 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on April 6, 2021 where it received comments and testimony from the public regarding proposed rates and charges for water services, and the Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2021-012 approving the revised water rate schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed low-income discount rates are attached as Exhibit A to this resolution and will revise, amend and replace the prior discount rate of \$10.00; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to provide more transparency and consistency, staff has recommended to the PUD that low-income discounts for both electric and water customers belong in the PUD Rate Schedules rather than the PUD's Customer Service Policies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners of PUD No. 1 of Jefferson County hereby adopts the attached low-income discount water rate changes in Exhibit A, effective for all bills rendered on or after June 5, 2021 with annual increases occurring January 5, 2022, January 5, 2023, and January 5, 2024, consistent with Exhibit A.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners of PUD No. 1 of Jefferson County hereby amends Customer Service Policy Section 10.6 and Section 14.2.2 consistent with Exhibit B attached and incorporated herein by this reference, and providing low-income discount information in each utility's rate schedule.

ADOPTED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. I of Jefferson County, Washington, at a regular open meeting held this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.

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Jeff Randall, Secretary