Date: April 6, 2022

To: Temporary Water Meter Users (Hydrant Meters)

From: Sean Bauer, Water System Manager

Subject: Temporary Fire Hydrant Meter Use

Per the City of Kent Ordinance for Temporary Water Meters (Section 7.02.110), 3-inch Reduced Pressure Backflow Assembly (RPBA) Permits shall be issued for the duration of **21 Calendar days or less**. All one-inch and three-inch water meter permits shall be issued for the duration of **60 Calendar days or less**. Meters and RPBA's are to be returned promptly at the completion of the assigned project or at the end of the specified period, whichever occurs first.

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Meter permit charges shall be:

- 1. \$ 50.00 for one-inch meters
- 2. \$ 100.00 for three-inch meters
- 3. \$ 150.00 for Reduced Pressure Backflow Assembly

Deposit charged (effective May 1, 2022):

- 1. \$ 450.00 for one-inch meters
- 2. \$ 2,000.00 for three-inch meters
- 3. \$ 3,000.00 for Reduced Pressure Backflow Assembly

The Deposit is in addition to the current water consumption rate which will be billed to you per hundred cubic feet (CCF) consumed.

- 1. Deposit should be completed first at the customer service counter located on the first floor of the Centennial Building at 400 West Gowe St.
- 2. Present the treasury receipt when picking up the meter from the Water Department located at the Public Works Operations Facility, 5821 S. 240th St. Hydrant meters will be issued or received between the hours of **8:00 A.M.** through **11:00 A.M.** and **12:30 P.M.** through **2:30 P.M.**, Monday through Friday (closed on public holidays).

Users shall be responsible for all fees and charges incurred while the meter or RPBA is in their possession, including costs resulting from damage, misuse, or loss. The balance remaining from the deposit will be refunded by check via US Mail. Users failing to return the meter or RPBA within the specified period of time shall be cited with a misdemeanor and up to \$300.00 per day for failure to abide by the terms and conditions of the ordinance.

Anyone withdrawing water or using fire hydrants without a permit and a meter issued by the City of Kent shall be cited with a misdemeanor and fined up to \$300.00 per day for failing to abide by the terms and conditions of the City of Kent Ordinance 7.02.300.

Hydrant meter users shall use only City owned fire hydrants in the area (or on the project). City owned fire hydrants are white in color and have a two-inch round brass tag with hydrant identification attached.

You may call (253) 856-5600 if you have any questions regarding fire hydrant meter use.