

SUMMARY: Adopts a schedule of rates and charges for provision of water service within the Purity Service area of Washoe County and providing procedures for its enforcement. Amends Ordinance No. 801.

BILL NO. 1004

ORDINANCE NO. 829

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR PROVISION OF WATER SERVICE BY WASHOE COUNTY WITHIN THE PURITY SERVICE AREA OF WASHOE COUNTY; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, UTILITY DIVISION, TO SUBMIT BILLINGS TO ALL WATER USERS WITHIN THE PURITY AREA; REQUIRING PAYMENT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR ITS ENFORCEMENT. THIS ORDINANCE AMENDS ORDINANCE NO. 801 (ARTICLES 4, 5 AND 12).

Adopted 8-13-91

ARTICLE 4. SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES

4.1 Rates and Charges for Domestic, Commercial, Industrial and Irrigation Service.

Schedule A: This schedule applies to all non-metered residential or commercial services. This rate shall apply to any non-metered service areas not covered by Schedules C, F, G, or H under County jurisdiction after the effective date of this ordinance. The rate shall be based on the diameter of the service line shown in the following table:

a) <u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
5/8" to 3/4"	\$ 27.75
1"	\$ 69.38
1 1/2"	\$138.75
2"	\$222.00
3"	\$416.25
4"	\$693.75

b) Capitalization Charge:

\$2.00 per month per customer or vacant lot for service areas under County jurisdiction as of July 1, 1987.

Schedule B: This schedule applies to all metered commercial or residential services. This rate shall apply to any metered service areas not covered by Schedules C, D, E, G, or H under County jurisdiction after the effective date of this ordinance. The monthly base rate depends on service size as shown in the table. Service sizes not listed in the following table shall be charged the Monthly Base Rate of the next larger service size shown in the table:

a) Water Usage Charge:

\$0.85 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month

b) Monthly Base Rate Table:

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
3/4"	\$ 13.60
1"	\$ 21.74
1 1/2"	\$ 43.55
2"	\$ 69.71
3"	\$ 139.42
4"	\$ 223.14
6"	\$ 446.93
8"	\$ 713.39
10"	\$1,140.12

c) Capitalization Charge:

\$2.00 per month per customer or vacant lot for all other service areas under County jurisdiction as of July 1, 1987.

Schedule C: This schedule applies to all commercial or residential lots within the Old Washoe Estates Service Area, whether built upon or not.

Unbuilt upon lots shall be charged the minimum monthly base rate. The monthly base rate depends on service size as shown in the table. Service sizes not listed in the following table shall be charged the Monthly Base Rate of the next larger service size shown in the table. A portion of the monthly base rate paid by residents of Old Washoe Estates shall be used to defray the costs associated with irrigating the common area.

a) Water Usage Charge:

\$2.05 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month

b) Monthly Base Rate Table:

The base rate table includes 7,300 gallons of water each month which may not be carried over month to month.

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
3/4"	\$ 15.00
1"	\$ 24.00
1 1/2"	\$ 48.00
2"	\$ 77.00
3"	\$ 154.00
4"	\$ 246.00
6"	\$ 493.00
8"	\$ 787.00
10"	\$1,257.00

c) Capitalization Charge: - \$2.00 per month.

Schedule D: This schedule applies to all residential or commercial services in the Sunrise Estates service area. The monthly base rate depends on service size as shown in the table. Service sizes not listed in the following table shall be charged the Monthly Base Rate of the next larger service size shown in the table:

a) Water Usage Charge:

\$0.85 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month

b) Monthly Base Rate Table

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
3/4"	\$ 22.10
1"	\$ 35.35
1-1/2"	\$ 70.80
2"	\$ 113.25
3"	\$ 226.50
4"	\$ 362.50
5"	\$ 725.00
6"	\$1,160.10

c) Capitalization charge - \$2.00 per month.

Schedule E: This schedule applies to all residential and commercial services in the Thomas Creek service area. The monthly base rate is on service size as shown in the table. Service sizes not listed in the

following table, shall be charged the monthly base rate of the next larger service size shown in the table.

a) Monthly Base Rate Table

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
3/4"	\$ 27.75
1"	\$ 69.38
1 1/2"	\$138.75
2"	\$222.00
3"	\$416.25
4"	\$693.75

The monthly base rate includes a base gallonage allowance of up to 20,000 gallons per month. The base gallonage allowance cannot be carried forward from month to month.

b) Water Usage Charge:

1. \$.40/1000 gallons for each gallon used between 20,000 gallons to 60,000 gallons.
2. \$.80/1000 gallons for each gallon used between 60,000 gallons and 100,000 gallons.
3. \$2.50/1000 gallons for all usage above 100,000 gallons.

c) Capitalization charge - \$2.00 per month.

Schedule F. This schedule applies to all residential and commercial services in the Wadsworth service area receiving irrigation water service. Service sizes included under this schedule shall be 1-inch or smaller.

a) Water Usage Charge:

\$12.00 per month.

Schedule G. This schedule applies to all residential and commercial services, parcels and vacant lots within the Mt. Rose service area as of April 25, 1990. The monthly base rate is on service size shown in the table. Service sizes not listed in the following table, shall be charged the monthly base rate of the next larger service size shown in the table.

a) Water Usage Charge:

\$0.85 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month.

b) Monthly Base Rate Table:

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
3/4"	\$ 17.75
1"	\$ 28.37
1 1/2"	\$ 56.84
2"	\$ 90.98
3"	\$ 181.96

4"	\$ 291.23
6"	\$ 583.31
8"	\$ 931.08
10"	\$1,488.02

- c) Capitalization Charge: - \$5.00 per month per customer or vacant lot.
- d) Standby fee for vacant lots - \$5.00 per month per lot. The standby fee shall apply to all vacant lots in the service area except those in the Galena Terrace and Mt. Meadows subdivisions.
- e) Water Rights Fee - \$1,500.00 per ERU base rate. The base rate to increase \$4.17 each month from the date of April 25, 1990. The Water Rights Fee shall apply to all new connections in the service area except those in Galena Forest Estates.
- f) All other fees as set forth in this Ordinance shall apply.

Schedule H: This schedule applies to all residential and commercial services, parcels and vacant lots within the Purity service area as of July 1, 1991. The monthly base rate is on service size shown in the table. Service sizes not listed in the following table, shall be charged the monthly base rate of the next larger service size shown in the table.

- a) Water Usage Charge:

\$0.659 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month.

- b) Monthly Base Rate Table:

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
5/8"-3/4"	\$ 7.60
1"	\$ 12.65
1 1/2"	\$ 22.80
2"	\$ 30.40
3"	\$ 59.25
4"	\$ 69.10
6"	\$ 197.60
8"	\$ 247.00

- c) Public Fire Protection Service
\$6.00 per hydrant per month

- d) Water Right Will Service Commitment Fee
\$3,100 per equivalent residential unit. The base rate to increase \$108.50 each year from July 1, 1991.

- e) All other fees shall be as set forth in this Ordinance.

- 4.2 Capitalization Charge. A Capitalization Charge of Two Dollars (\$2.00) per month per capacity unit shall be billed to each residential and commercial water service under County jurisdiction as of July 1, 1987, as follows:

Capitalization Charge

	<u>Monthly Charge</u>	<u>Capacity Ratio</u>
3/4 inch	\$ 2.00	1.00
1 inch	\$ 3.30	1.65
1 1/2 inch	\$ 6.70	3.35
2 inch	\$ 10.70	5.35
3 inch	\$ 20.00	10.00
4 inch	\$ 33.30	16.65
6 inch	\$ 66.70	33.35
8 inch	\$106.70	53.35
10 inch	\$153.30	76.65
larger sizes	To be determined by County	

A capacity unit is defined as the relative flow ratio in gallons of each meter as compared to that of a 3/4 inch meter or single house sewer.

- A. The water system capitalization fund shall be accounted for separately: The monies collected through the Capitalization Charge shall be kept in an account in the Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund for water system capital improvements and repair.
- B. Capitalization Charge to Continue Even Though Water Service is Disconnected: The Capitalization Charge shall continue to be billed to the customer even though service has been discontinued as provided in Article 11 (Termination of Service).
- C. Duration: The monthly Capitalization Charge is to take effect July 1, 1987 and expire at the end of five (5) years, ending June 30, 1992.
- D. Unimproved Parcels: The Capitalization Charge will also apply to undeveloped parcels, with rates as specified in Article 4.9 of this ordinance (Standby Fees). The charge shall apply when an application for connection to the water system of the County is made. The charges from July 1, 1987 to the date of application shall be collected with the connection fees. After the date of application, Capitalization Charges shall be billed to the customer in their normal billing cycle.

If an application for connection is cancelled, the entire amount of the Capitalization Charge shall be paid from July 1, 1987 to the date of cancellation shall be refunded, and any new application shall include the Capitalization Charge from July 1, 1987.

If application is not made prior to the termination of the Capitalization Charge, the total Capitalization Charge would apply to that parcel and become a fixed amount thereafter.

- 4.3 Charges for Private Fire Protection Service. These charges apply to all services through which water is used solely for extinguishing accidental fires:

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u>
3"	\$ 30.00
4"	\$ 45.00
6"	\$ 75.00
8"	\$105.00
10"	\$135.00
12"	\$165.00

- 4.4 Charges for Meter Testing. The County will shop-test, preferably in the presence of the customer, a meter of a size two-inch (2") or smaller, at the request of a customer and payment of a twenty dollar (\$20) fee. If the meter, upon testing, registers no greater than two percent (2%) over the true quantity, the fee shall be forfeited, and all water bills paid as presented. However, if the meter registers more than two percent (2%) of the true quantity, the fee shall be returned, and the amount overcharged during the prior six months, or such portion of the six month period as the customer has been responsible for water bills will be credited to the customer and another meter substituted for the inaccurate meter. The same procedure shall apply to meters larger than two-inch (2"), except that the meter shall be field-tested.
- 4.5 Charges for Combined Service. These charges apply to service through which water is delivered for the dual purpose of providing domestic supply and private fire protection. The monthly charge shall be the charge for domestic water as determined in Article 4.1 plus the charge for private fire protection as determined in Article 4.3.
- 4.6 Charges for Interim Service. These charges apply to nonmetered services through which water is delivered from fire hydrants for use during construction, exclusive of developments which have paid for construction water under the provisions of Article 4.7:
- a) A hydrant use permit fee of \$10.00; and
 - b) \$3.00 for each day any water is used.
- 4.7 Charges for Water for Subdivision Construction.
1. These charges apply to metered use of water during development and construction within subdivisions or other projects:
 - a) Deposit for hydrant meter and valve of \$800.00.
 Deposit will be refunded or applied to the customer's final bill upon return of hydrant meter and valve in like condition to when deposit was paid.
 - b) Monthly Base Rate of \$85.00 each month.
 - c) Water Usage Charge of \$1.01 per 1,000 gallons of water used each month. Meter will be read monthly.
 2. These charges apply to non-metered use of water during development and construction within subdivisions or other projects:
 - a) Each lot in subdivision \$11.00

- b) Property not subdivided into lots or into less than four (4) lots per acre. \$46.00 per gross acre

c) The amounts shown in paragraphs a) and b) are one-time charges.

4.8 Power Rate Adjustment. The power rates in effect on February 1, 1986 are established as the base rates for purposes of this paragraph. In the event that increases or decreases are approved for such base rates by the Nevada Public Service Commission, then an adjustment shall be made to the water usage charges enumerated in this Article in the following ratio: For each 1%, or portion thereof, of rate increases or decreases in power charges, there shall be an adjustment of \$0.006 per 1,000 gallons in the water usage service charges, commencing with the next regular billing period.

4.9 Standby Fee. A standby fee on all vacant subdivided lots where facilities have been built in anticipation of future needs, regardless of lot size, of \$6.50 per month per lot will be charged to the owner of the lot until such time as a service is installed. In Old Washoe Estates the standby fee shall be \$15.00 per month per lot. In the Mt. Rose Service Area the standby fee shall be \$5.00 per month per lot.

ARTICLE 5. OTHER CHARGES, FEES AND DEPOSITS

5.1 Security Deposit for Service. The County will require a security deposit in the amount of \$50.00 from all new customers or applicants, from customers whose accounts are consistently delinquent, and in situations where the County has cause to believe that a deposit is required to insure payment of bills. At the end of one year of service, if all accounts have been kept current the amount of the deposit, plus interest accrued at the rate of 6% per annum simple interest, shall be credited to the next month's bill. Service must be in place for a minimum of six (6) months for any interest to be accrued. Upon discontinuance of service, any deposit held by the County will be applied to the final billing with any remaining deposit amount refunded to the customer. If the deposit is applied to a customer's account because of delinquent bills, all interest accrued will also be applied to delinquent bills. By posting a deposit, the Customer agrees that the deposit is a pledge to make future payments to the County and not payment for future services that are furnished by the County.

Any application for service will not be granted unless full payment has been made for water or sewer services previously rendered to the applicant or customer by the County.

Failure on the part of the customer to make such deposit within fifteen (15) days after written notice by the County that such deposit be made or service may be discontinued, shall warrant the County in discontinuing the service to the customer.

An owner who resides at the property and/or is directly paying for the water service may, in lieu of a security deposit, provide to the County a letter of good credit history from any valid and currently operating utility company. The security deposit may then be waived upon acceptance of the letter of credit by the County. The County maintains the right to require a security deposit should the account become consistently delinquent, or in other situations where the County has cause to believe that a deposit is required to insure payment of bills.

5.2 Charges for Disconnection, Reconnection, Account Transfer and Special Reading. If service is discontinued the customer shall pay a processing charge of fifteen (\$15.00) for disconnection and another fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for reconnection. If service is discontinued due to nonpayment of water bills, all accrued water charges must be paid in addition to the discontinuance charges as described in Article 5.16 before service is restored. If the customer requests an account transfer or special meter reading, a processing charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) shall be charged. Customers must give 24 hour's or previous working day's notice for disconnection, reconnection or special reading.

5.3 Charges and Fees for Installation of a Water Service shall consist of a Connection Privilege Fee, an Installation Fee, and in some cases, a Main Extension Fee. All charges and fees must be received by the County before the County can initiate any work on the installation or extension.

- a. Connection Privilege Fee: In order to equalize investment in facilities made by present water users, a Connection Privilege Fee will be collected for all new services in the amount shown in Article 5.4 [below].
- b. Installation Fee: The Installation Fee shall be charged to cover the cost of materials and labor for installing the water service. This fee shall be based on the service size and shall be in the amount shown in Article 5.5 [below].
- c. Main Extension Fee: Applicants for main extensions as described in Article 10, will be charged a Main Extension Fee in the amount shown in Article 5.6 [below].
- d. Main Extension Refund Fee: Applicants for water service which require connection to a main covered under a residential main extension agreement as described in Article 10, will be charged a Main Extension Refund Fee in the amount specified in Article 5.7 [below].

5.4 Connection Privilege Fee for New Connections

1. A connection privilege fee of \$2,500.00 shall be charged for each new water service which was not previously provided by the developer of the subdivision, for all service areas except Old Washoe Estates. In the Old Washoe Estates Service Area, a connection privilege fee of \$4,000.00 shall be charged for each new water service which was not previously provided by the developer of the subdivision.
2. The fee shall be charged for each dwelling unit or lot on the final subdivision or parcel map.
3. The fee shall be paid to the County prior to approval of the final subdivision or parcel map, issuance of building permit, or initiation of work by the County.
4. The connection privilege fee for service to residential units shall be charged for each residential unit being served. Each apartment of an apartment building, each condo of a condominium development, each mobile home, whether on individual lots or parks, shall be charged a Residential Connection Privilege Fee. This Residential Connection Privilege Fee applies whether each residential unit is individually

metered or a group of residential units are metered through one meter such as an apartment building or a mobile home park. For condominiums, mobile home parks, and other developments which have "common areas", the Connection Privilege Fee shall be based on the size of each service, per Paragraph 6. The Residential Connection Privilege Fee shall be \$2,500.00. If a residential customer requests a service size larger than 3/4 inch, the fee shall be the amount charged for Commercial Connection Privilege Fee for the size of service requested. The County has the option of reviewing any changes in use and to amend the fee accordingly.

5. If in the opinion of the County, a larger service should be installed due to limited pressure available at the site of service, the County may install a larger service line and/or meter. The Connection Privilege Fee would be based on the service size required if there was not limited pressure. For this case, limited pressure is defined as less than 40 psi at the outlet of the meter box.
6. A Connection Privilege Fee for each new commercial water service shall be charged and shall be based on service size in accordance with the following table. Service sizes not listed in the following table, shall be charged the Connection Privilege Fee of the next larger size listed in the table.

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Connection Privilege Fee</u>	<u>Old Washoe Estates</u>
3/4"	\$2,500	\$ 4,000
1"	\$3,000	\$ 4,800
1 1/2"	\$4,500	\$ 7,200
2"	\$6,400	\$10,240
Above 2"	An amount greater than \$6,400 set by agreement with the Board.	An amount greater than \$10,240 set by agreement with the Board.

5.5 Charges for Service Connection Installation.

1. This charge includes tapping of the main, installation of the service line from the main to the meter, the meter, and the meter box, in accordance with the following table:

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Installation Charge</u>
3/4" or smaller	\$ 750
1"	\$ 795
1 1/2"	\$ 975
2"	\$1,290
Over 2"	Actual Cost, or \$1,300, whichever is greater

2. This charge includes setting of meter in a Utility Division approved installation, in accordance with the following table:

<u>Service Size</u>	<u>Installation Charge</u>
3/4" or smaller	\$ 80.00
1"	\$ 90.00

1 1/2"	\$130.00
2" and Above	Actual Cost

3. County personnel will do all service connection installations.

5.6 Residential Main Extension Fee Schedule. Main extension fees to a single residentially zoned lot shall be according to the following table:

<u>Distance From Existing Main</u>	<u>Payment by Applicant</u>
1' - 500'	\$10.00 per foot
501' - 1,250'	\$5,000 plus \$8.00 per foot over 500 feet

5.7 Main Extension Refund Fees. For an applicant requiring a service connection to a main covered under an existing Residential Main Extension Agreement, the applicant shall be charged \$10.00 per frontage foot of property as a Main Extension Refund Fee. This fee shall be collected by the County and used to refund the person or persons funding the original main extension.

5.8 Checking Fee. Any applicant, customer or developer requiring approval of plans by the County Utility Division, or desiring plan checking shall pay to the Utility Division the following fee or fees:

A minimum of \$200 plus \$5 per lot for all lots in excess of 40 within the subdivision.

If any portion of the plans after being checked are required to be redrawn or rechecked, the applicant shall pay the additional cost of checking based upon the actual expense of the rechecking service. No plan checking will be done until the required fee is paid.

In the case of rechecking, the fee shall be based upon an estimated cost of the service, and payment in excess of costs will be returned to the Applicant.

5.9 Inspection Fee. Any applicant, customer or developer requiring construction of facilities to be inspected by the County Utility Division shall pay a minimum deposit per the following schedule:

No. of Lots			
<u>Minimum Number</u>	<u>Maximum Number</u>	<u>Base Amount</u>	<u>Plus Amount Per Lot Above Minimum Number</u>
1	10	\$ 1,000	\$ 0
10	25	\$ 1,000	\$150
25	50	\$ 3,250	\$120
50	80	\$ 6,250	\$100
80	120	\$ 9,250	\$ 80
120	200	\$12,450	\$ 60

The deposit shall be paid prior to approval of final map, issuance of building permit, and start of construction. Prior to final acceptance of the improvements an accounting of all costs including personnel time, fringe benefits, equipment, materials and overhead shall be made for the plan review and inspection of the improvements. If the total cost is

greater than the deposit, the applicant must pay the difference prior to acceptance and use of the improvements.

- 5.10 Reactivation of Inactive Service Connections. Upon receipt of application, an inactive service shall be turned on upon payment of the reconnection charge listed in Article 5.2.
- 5.11 Relocation of Service Connection. An existing service connection may be relocated, if the new service is of like size and will provide a water supply to the same parcel of property, upon application and payment of an installation fee by the property owner.
- 5.12 Increase in Size of Service Connections. Enlargement of a service connection to the same property, requiring abandonment of the existing connection and installation of a complete replacement connection of increased size shall be treated as a new service connection and shall be charged accordingly. The fees to be paid by the property owner upon application for increase in size of service connection shall be the installation fee for the size of the larger service being installed and a connection privilege fee which shall be determined by subtracting the connection privilege fee for the size of service being abandoned from the connection privilege fee for the size of service being installed.
- 5.13 Public Fire Hydrants. There shall be no charges to governmental agencies, except within the Purity service area, for water available through public fire hydrants for use in fire suppression.
- 5.14 Private Use of Public Fire Hydrants. Connections to public fire hydrants are prohibited unless a water service application is submitted to and approved by the County. The applicant shall pay fees as specified in Article 4.7. Upon discontinuance of service, a refund will be made of the difference between the amount deposited and costs. Applicants for connections to fire hydrants shall designate the period of time and purposes for which water is to be used. The County shall designate the fire hydrant that the applicant may use. Use of any other fire hydrant by the applicant other than the designated hydrant will result in a fine of \$100.00 for each occurrence, and removal of the County's equipment. The County may discontinue the supply and remove its equipment at the expiration of the period so designated or if the supply is used for any purpose other than designated by the applicant. The supply is subject to limitations as to rate of flow and time of use. The County will install all equipment necessary for the connection and no water will be used until such equipment is installed. In the event that a connection is made to a fire hydrant without authority to do so, the user shall be required to pay \$100.00 for each day of use prior to issuance of the permit.
- 5.15 Public Agencies Exempted From Deposit Requirements. In lieu of cash deposits, or sureties, purchase orders will be accepted from public agencies.
- 5.16 Discontinuance Charges. If service is discontinued for non-payment of water bills or other violations of this ordinance, the customer shall pay a turn-off charge according to the schedule below. Before service is restored, all accrued water charges must be paid, in addition to a turn-on charge in an amount equal to the charge for turn-off according to the schedule below. If a customer has had twelve (12) consecutive months without being discontinued for non-payment of bills or other violations,

the discontinuance charge shall revert to the "First Occurrence" charge according to the schedule below.

<u>Occurrence of Discontinuance of Service</u>	<u>Turn Off and Turn On Charges</u>
First	\$ 0.00
Second	\$15.00
Third	\$20.00
Fourth	\$25.00
Fifth and beyond	\$30.00

Should the customer reactivate the service, without the consent of the County, an additional charge of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) will be made for each such occurrence. Service will be considered to have been disconnected when an employee of the County has been dispatched for that purpose. Termination of water service shall be in accordance with Article 11.

- 5.17 Fee for Turn-Off at Main. Should it become necessary to enforce discontinuance of service, to shut off the service at the main, a charge equal to the cost of labor, equipment and materials will be made. Said charge will be not less than \$250.00.
- 5.18 Delinquent Accounts. In addition to those conditions specified in Articles 5.16 and 5.17 above, there will be a charge for late payment. If payment is not received by the 1st day of the calendar month following the due date of payment specified on the bill, a late payment processing fee on the outstanding balance and a handling fee will be charged in accordance with Article 7.3 and the service will be discontinued according to the procedure outlined in Article 11.
- 5.19 Unauthorized Use of Private Fire Service. When it is found that a private fire service is being used for purposes other than standby fire protection, the County shall notify the customer of the unauthorized use. Failure to discontinue unauthorized use will be cause for shutoff, and/or prosecution in accordance with Article 5.21. The customer may be charged for the water consumed through the unauthorized use, as the County may deem appropriate and being consistent with established rates.
- 5.20 Damage to County Property. Persons causing damage to County property by any willful or negligent act shall be responsible for payment of costs incurred.
- 5.21 Prosecution for Illegal Use of Water. Any person who shall wrongfully and maliciously appropriate or use County water or wrongfully and maliciously interfere with any officer, agent, or employee of the County in the proper discharge of his duties shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in any sum not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned not to exceed ninety (90) days in the County jail or by both such fine and imprisonment; provided further, that the County damaged by any such act may also bring civil action for damages sustained by any such act, and in such proceeding the prevailing party shall also be entitled to attorney's fees and costs of court.

ARTICLE 12. SERVICE AREAS

12.1 Intention. The intent of this Ordinance is to establish a schedule of rates and charges for provision of water service by Washoe County to service areas currently owned and operated by Washoe County, and to future new or existing service areas that may come under the jurisdiction of Washoe County. A separate accounting of each service area's revenues and expenditures need not be maintained under the Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund.

12.2. Service Areas.

- A. Desert Springs service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Desert Springs and Pyramid Ranch Estates Subdivisions.
- B. Old Washoe Estates service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Old Washoe Estates Subdivision.
- C. Spring Creek service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Spring Creek and Countryside Subdivisions.
- D. Sunrise Estates service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Sunrise Estates Subdivision.
- E. Thomas Creek service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Thomas Creek Estates Subdivision.
- F. All other service areas in the unincorporated area of Washoe County that may in the future be owned and operated by Washoe County.
- G. Wadsworth service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Wadsworth Irrigation System.
- H. Lemmon Valley service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Lemmon Valley area.
- I. Mt. Rose service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve the Galena Forest Estates, Galena Terrace Estates, Mountain Meadows Subdivision, and Southwest Pines Assessment District.
- J. Purity service area shall be the place of use of water rights available to serve Hidden Valley, Hidden Valley Highlands, Surrey Place, Sharon Hills and Hidden Springs Subdivisions.

Proposed on the 25th day of June, 1991.

Proposed by Commissioners Comwall

Passed on the 13th day of August, 1991.

Vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Beck, Comwall, Lillard, McDowell, + Reid.

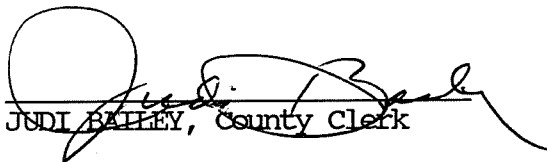
Nays: Commissioners: None.

Absent: Commissioners: None.



RENE REID, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:


JUDI BAILEY, County Clerk

This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 27th
day of August, 1991.