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DANA W. JENKINS, COUNTY CLERK  
BY Eronda Lee Davidson

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE OTTER ROCK WATER DISTRICT, TO REQUIRE THAT ALL CUSTOMER WATER METERS BE SIZED APPROPRIATELY FOR THE INTENDED USE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Otter Rock Water District (hereinafter "District") is a properly formed Domestic Water Supply District created under ORS Chapter 264; and

**WHEREAS**, the District is expressly authorized by ORS Chapter 264 to adopt regulations, rates, fees, and charges concerning the provision of water service; and

**WHEREAS**, the District fully complied with ORS 198.510 through 198.600 procedures for Ordinance adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, OAR 333-061-025 (7) requires that the water supplier is responsible for maintaining a water pressure of at least 20 pounds per square inch (psi) at all service connections at all times; and

**WHEREAS**, static water pressure at some service connections in the District is approximately 20 psi; and

**WHEREAS**, water meters and service lines have frictional losses resulting in loss of water pressure across the meter and service lines, and higher flow rates are associated with higher losses, and higher high flow rates are required for higher numbers of bedrooms, bathrooms, occupants, fixtures, and certain uses; and

**WHEREAS**, District Ordinances 2017-01 and 2017-02 require water services and meters to be 3/4 inch inside diameter or larger, but permit the use of larger meters; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has purchased approximately seventy one Sensus SRii 5/8in x 3/4in water meters with inside diameter of 5/8 inch, of which approximately fifty eight have been installed ;

**THE OTTER ROCK WATER DISTRICT ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** Ordinances 2017-01 and 2017-02 are hereby amended as follows:

The size of District meters and service lines, as determined by the District, shall be appropriate for servicing the needs of the property, while maintaining a pressure of at least 20 pounds per square inch (psi) at the service connection at all times in accordance with OAR 333-061-025 (7).

The requirements of this Section shall supersede all other requirements in Ordinances 2017-01 and 2017-02 governing the sizes of District water meters and service lines. Water meters with 5/8 inch inside diameter are allowed if the requirements of this section are satisfied. Meters with 5/8 inch inside diameter shall be considered equal to meters with 3/4 inside diameter for monthly water rate purposes.

**SECTION 2. Findings Adopted.** The findings contained in the Whereas Clauses of this Ordinance, together with the competent substantial evidence in the record of this legislative

proceeding are incorporated into this section by reference as if fully set forth herein, and are adopted in support of this legislative action.

**SECTION 3. Severability.** The sections, subsections, paragraphs, and clauses of this ordinance are severable. The invalidity of one section, subsection, paragraph, or clause shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, paragraphs and clauses.

**SECTION 4. Ordinance Effective Date / Emergency.** Existing Ordinances for water meter and water service minimum inside diameter must be amended immediately to assure public health and safety and compliance with applicable public health regulations and plumbing codes.

Accordingly, an emergency is declared in order that this Ordinance may be in force and effect from and after passage by the Governing Body. Notice of the emergency enactment shall be provided in accordance with ORS 198.

The foregoing ordinance was distinctly read in its entirety on the (Date) of August, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Otter Rock Water District this (date) day of August, 2021.

Thomas Kammerer 8/12/21

Thomas Kammerer                      Date

Board President

Attest:

Richard Cutler

Board Member                      Date

RICHARD CUTLER                      08-13-2021

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