

SHORELINE  
Water District



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**District Manager:**  
Diane Pottinger, P.E.

November 25, 2013

Councilmember Dembowski  
King County Council  
516 Third Ave, Room 1200  
Seattle, WA 98104

RE: Name Change from Shoreline Water District to  
North City Water District

Dear Councilmember Dembowski:

At a meeting of the Shoreline Water District Board of Commissioners on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013, the Board adopted resolution 2013.09.36 to change the name of Shoreline Water District to North City Water District. Copies of the meeting minutes and signed resolution are enclosed.

In accordance with RCW 57.04.065, the District is asking the name change be approved by the King County Council to become effective January 1, 2014. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Diane Pottinger, PE  
District Manager

Cc: Council Chair Larry Gossett  
Clerk of the King County Council  
Shoreline Water District Board of Commissioners

**SHORELINE WATER DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION 2013.09.36**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION TO THE KING COUNTY COUNCIL TO  
CHANGE THE NAME OF SHORELINE WATER DISTRICT  
TO NORTH CITY WATER DISTRICT**

Background

1. Shoreline Water District (the “**District**”) was created by vote of the people in 1933 under the name of King County Water District No. 42. At the time of its creation, the District was located in unincorporated King County.
2. In 1961, the City of Lake Forest Park was incorporated in the easternmost portion of the District. The District continued to serve customers in both Lake Forest Park and unincorporated King County.
3. Because of its name, over the years, many people had the mistaken impression that the District was affiliated with, or a division of, King County. Therefore, in 1991, the District was renamed from King County Water District No. 42 to Shoreline Water District. The name “Shoreline” was chosen because that term was commonly used to generally describe the area north of the City of Seattle and south of the King-Snohomish County line
4. When the District’s name was changed to Shoreline Water District in 1991, the City of Shoreline did not exist. In 1995, four years after the District changed its name to Shoreline Water District, the unincorporated area of King County north of the City of Seattle was incorporated as the City of Shoreline. Since that time, the District provided service to customers in both cities of Lake Forest Park and Shoreline.
5. Since incorporation of the City of Shoreline, the use of the word “Shoreline” in the District’s name has created confusion because many people mistakenly believed that the District is affiliated with, or a division of, the City of Shoreline. Also, many District customers living in the City of Lake Forest Park developed the mistaken impression that the District was now part of the new City of Shoreline. Citizens, vendors, consultants, and other governments all regularly contact the City of Shoreline concerning Shoreline Water District matters about which the City of Shoreline has no control, and vice versa.
6. The District currently serves approximately 6000 accounts within the City of Shoreline, and approximately 2200 accounts within the City of Lake Forest Park.
7. The remaining (western) portion of the City of Shoreline not served by the District receives water service from City of Seattle Public Utilities (“SPU”). The remaining (generally eastern) portion of the City of Lake Forest Park not served by the District receives water service from one of three other water purveyors, SPU, Northshore Utility District, or Lake Forest Park Water District. The existence of multiple water providers within the cities of Shoreline and Lake Forest Park has contributed to the confusion citizens have about the District’s location and service area, and the District's existence as a separate and distinct local government entity. This confusion has been apparent as many of District customers and other residents in the City of Shoreline incorrectly believe that the District will be buying the SPU water system in the western part of the City of Shoreline following the passage of a ballot measure in 2012.

8. Much of the District's service area is within the boundaries of a community unofficially known as "North City." The District's administrative headquarters and maintenance facilities have been located in North City for decades, and thus the District's customers know that the District has an historical relationship with North City. Thus, the words "North City" most closely and unambiguously identifies the location of the District.

9. RCW 57.04.065, establishes a procedure by which a water district may change its name. The statute requires approval of the name change first by the District Board of Commissioners and then by the King County Council.

Action

IT IS RESOLVED THAT:

10. The Board of Commissioners elects to rename the District from "Shoreline Water District" to "North City Water District."

11. The District Manager is directed to apply to the King County Council to change the District's name to "North City Water District."

12. If the King County Council approves the name change, the District Manager is directed to use up existing stocks of stationery, and other papers bearing the Shoreline Water District name and logo, and to keep the cost of changing the District's name to a minimum.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Shoreline Water District at a regular open public meeting this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2013.

ATTEST:

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Larry Schoonmaker, President

  
Charlotte Haines, Vice President

Approved as to Form:

  
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Andrew Maron, District Attorney

  
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Ron Ricker, Secretary

The regular meeting of September 3, 2013 was called to order at 3:02 p.m. Present were Commissioners Charlotte Haines and Ron Ricker; Diane Pottinger, District Manager; Denny Clouse, Operations Manager; Barb Shosten, Finance Manager; Jaime Placencia, Executive Assistant and Andrew Maron, District Attorney. Commissioner Larry Schoonmaker was excused absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Ricker made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 20, 2013 regular meeting and the amended minutes from the August 27, 2013 regular meeting. Commissioner Haines seconded the motion, the motion passed and the Board signed the minutes.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

Commissioner Ricker made a motion to approve vouchers 9908-9938 from the Maintenance Fund in the amount of \$47,046.64 and vouchers 200218-200221 from the Construction Fund in the amount of \$96,995.63. Commissioner Haines seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously and the Board signed the vouchers.

**NEW / OLD BUSINESS:**

The following resolution was presented, discussed, moved by Commissioner Ricker, seconded by Commissioner Haines and passed by the Board:

**Resolution 2013.09.34: Declaring Certain Personal Property Owned by the District to be Surplus and Authorizing the Equipment to be Recycled.**

The Board tabled the following resolution:

**Resolution 2013.09.35: Awarding the Contract for CIP #2013-01, AMR Installation and Integration.**

The following resolution was presented, discussed, moved by Commissioner Haines, seconded by Commissioner Ricker and passed by the Board:

**Resolution 2013.09.36: Changing the Name of Shoreline Water District to North City Water District.**

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Ms. Pottinger presented a copy of the District's letter to the Shoreline School District regarding 2012 rates.

Ms. Pottinger informed the Board that the District is in the process of closing out all accounts at the temporary leased office.

**LEGAL REPORT:**

Mr. Maron presented the Board with the Reply by the City of Wenatchee regarding the District's Amicus Brief.

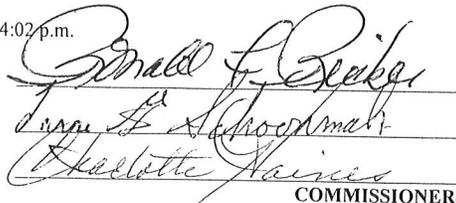
**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:**

Commissioner Ricker discussed a letter that was written to Walt Canter of Cedar River Water and Sewer District regarding WASWD consideration of possible amendments to the Joint Municipal Utility Service Authority statute.

Commissioner Haines discussed pertinent events at the most recent Shoreline City Council meeting.

**NEXT MEETING:** September 10, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

  
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