

**KING COUNTY WATER DISTRICT NO. 90
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION NO. 1088

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Commissioners of King County Water District No. 90, King County, Washington, relating to radio read water meters.

WHEREAS; the District has developed standards for water meters including the implementation of water meters that send out a signal (aka "radio-read" or "smart meters") to aid in the reading of water meters as well as providing information that may disclose problems with a water meter or the customer's water service such as a water leak; and

WHEREAS; the District finds that the use of radio-read and smart meter technology is beneficial to the operation of the District, including faster, more efficient, and accurate readings of water meters; and

WHEREAS; the District has determined that the use of radio-read and smart meter technology has been studied and determined not to pose a public health risk by appropriate government agencies, including the Federal Communications Commission and U.S. Food and Drug Administration; and

WHEREAS; some customers may have concerns about the use of radio-read and smart meter technology due to the use of radio frequencies; and

WHEREAS; the District believes concerns about radio-read and smart meter technology to be unfounded, nevertheless desires to be mindful of such concerns and adopts this Resolution allowing a customer to "opt-out" of having a radio-read or smart meter used for their own water service at this point in time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Water District No. 90, King County, Washington, as follows:

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SECTION 1: A customer may, in writing, elect to opt-out and have a manual read water meter installed by the District rather than a radio-read or smart meter.

SECTION 2: As a condition of opting out, if a radio-read or smart meter has already been installed, then the customer shall pay the District's current "Meter Drop" fee (\$500 as of 11/17/2020) for the cost of removing and replacing the existing meter with a manual read water meter, or to turn off the radio functionality, in the discretion of the District. If a radio-read meter has not been installed, then the customer will pay one half of the above cost, at the time of the opt-out for the future installation of a radio-read water meter or turning on the radio functionality.

SECTION 3: As a condition of opting out, then in addition to all other charges of the District, the customer shall pay a "Manual Read Fee" of \$25.50 for each billing period. This fee recognizes the additional time and labor costs the District will incur in having District staff make a special and direct visit to read the manual read water meter. The Manual Read Fee is subject to change by Resolution of the District Commissioners without any special notice to a customer that opts out.

SECTION 4: As a condition of opting out, the customer acknowledges that they will not receive the same benefits that a radio-read or smart technology meter may offer, including the possibility of more timely notice of water leaks or high-water usage.


SECTION 5: The customer's opt-out may be canceled by the District at any time and without notice to a customer, and a radio-read or smart technology meter installed, or functionality restored, by the District without additional cost to a customer except those charges generally applied to all customers.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Water District No. 90, King County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting thereof on the 17th day of November 2020.

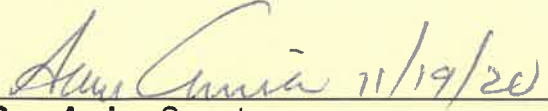
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