# Reclaimed Water Ordinance Changes

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# Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

Review and discuss proposed changes to the Reclaimed Water Ordinance

OMC 13.24



# "Opportunistic" Program Strategy

- 2005 Ordinance and Business Plan
- 2007 Council-endorsed draft policies
- 2011 Procedures Manual & Expansion Plan
- Now Update the Ordinance
- Next 2015-2020 Water System Plan
   Consider financial structure and capital projects?



### **UAC** Prior Review and Input

- 2010 May Revisions per 2007 Council
  - Connection and use required. More subsidies.
- 2010 July Research. Workgroup formed.
- 2010 Aug LUEC supported Engineering Plan
- 2011 Sept Workgroup recommendations
- 2012 Sept Program strategy scaled back



### Request for UAC

One letter of recommendation in support of adopting the proposed changes

By Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

- For Olympia Planning Commission May 20
- For Land Use & Environment Committee May 23
- For City Council October 8



#### Current Version of OMC 13.24

- Dates to 2005
- Does not fully address subsequent advances in reclaimed water use
- Modeled after OMC 13.04 Water
  - Earlier version; has since been revised
  - Inconsistent with current version



### Overview of Proposed Changes

- 1- Closes regulatory gaps
- Modeled after OMC 13.04 Water similar delivery systems and services
- Consistent with EDDS
- Uniform Plumbing Code

- 2- Fees, charges, and rates
- Consistent with Water,
   Storm water, and Sewer
   Utility charges
- System fees infrastructure
- Service charges
- Generate revenue



# Overview of Proposed Changes (continued)

- 3- Eliminates redundant and inconsistent language
- Definitions consistent with elsewhere in OMC
- Eliminated repetition different sections
- Clear language, concise

- 4- Reorganized
- Streamlined
- Extensively reordered
- "Repealed & Replaced"



# Reviewing the Proposed Changes

- Open discussion / go around the table ... focus on details of interest to you.
- Then see my list of highlighted changes...
   starting on the next slide.
- We can refer to the crosswalk, if needed.



### **Open Discussion**



# Highlighted Details

(continued)

#### Establishes fees, rates and charges

- Consistent with other City utilities
- System construction/permitting
  - Extending mains, connections, sampling, shutdown
- Consumption/Service
  - Indoor consumption rate (70% of potable water)
  - Turning on and off, construction uses, penalties



# Highlighted Details

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#### Mirrors Water Cross Connection Control (CCC)

- Utility's authority clarified relative to on-Premises
- City CCC Specialist authorized to assess degree of hazard and require appropriate protection
- Air gap required where potable water is backup
- Indoor use allowed without backup potable supply



# Highlighted Details

- Distinguishes authorities
  - City Engineer
  - Public Works Director
- Authorizes City to deny proposed uses
- Clearly calls out Uniform Plumbing Code

- Metering
  - For different uses at same
     Premises or Use Area
- Definitions
  - Additional terms consistent with Water Utility
  - Clarify regulations and implementation



# Highlighted Details (continued)

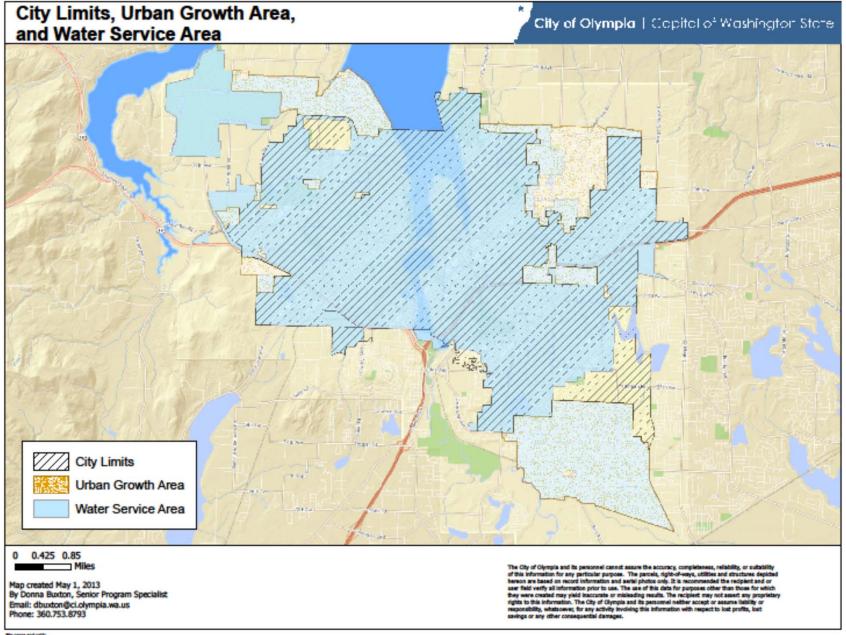
- Allowing customers to convey to direct tenants with prior City approval
  - Port of Olympia to
     Weyerhaeuser and
     Holbrook

- Allowing non-City staff to work on the system with prior City approval
  - LOTT personnel
  - Contractors



# Highlighted Details (continued)

- Section [RESERVED] for groundwater infiltration
- Groups Prohibitions into one section
- Prohibits use outside City limits
   Not allowed in Urban Growth or Water Service Areas





### Adoption Schedule

- Olympia Planning Commission May 20 Briefing
- Council Land Use & Environment Committee May 23
- SEPA and Growth Management Act June
- Legal Staff final review June
- Olympia Planning Commission
  - July 15 Public Hearing and August 5 Deliberation
- City Council October 8 and 15



#### Stakeholder Involvement

# Existing Customers June Notification

- LOTT / East Bay Public Plaza
- Dept of General Administration
- Port of Olympia
- Weyerhaeuser
- Olympia Parks / Percival Landing
- Hands On Children's Museum

# Business Community July 15 OPC Public Hearing or as invited

- West Olympia Business Assoc (WOBA)
- Olympia Master Builders (OMB)
- Olympia Downtown Assoc (ODA)

#### Others?



# Options for UAC

- Support the proposed OMC changes
  - 13.24 Reclaimed Water
  - 4.04 Engineering Fees
  - 4.24 Utility Charges
  - 4.44 Compliance Report

- Recommend further development
  - If so, how?
- Retain current version
  - If so, why?
- Other?

# Thank you!