

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. R-13-951

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY,
WASHINGTON, RATIFYING REPUBLIC SERVICES GENERAL
RATE INCREASE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013 FOR CUSTOMERS
IN THE 2009 ANNEXED AREA KNOWN AS MAPLE RIDGE
HIGHLANDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance 0-09-388, published on July 21, 2009, annexing the area known as Maple Ridge Highlands effective July 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.14.900 requires that a code city, upon annexation of new territory, grant a franchise of not less than seven years or pay the garbage hauler that operated under an existing permit by the State of Washington for any measurable damages it sustains as a result of cancellation of the original franchise due to annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance O-09-390 in September 2009 granting a 10-year franchise to Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies, dba Kent Meridian Disposal, now known as Republic Services effective September 2009 through September 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a provision of Ordinance O-09-390 requires that rate adjustments proposed by the hauler require staff review and City Council approval providing the rate increase is fair and reasonable and complies with Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) approved rates for similar services ; and

WHEREAS, Republic Services filed a general rate increase with WUTC on August 17, 2013 and provided the customers in the Maple Ridge Highlands service area the requisite 45-day advance notice by letter; and

WHEREAS, the WUTC approved Republic Services rate increase on September 26, 2013 to be effective October 1, 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ratification. The City Council of the City of Maple Valley hereby ratifies Republic Services rate increase approved by the WUTC on September 26, 2013 for the service area known as Maple Ridge Highlands. A copy of Republic Services rates by service level effective October 1, 2013 will be filed with the City Clerk and identified with Clerk's Receiving No. 2060.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING THEREOF THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013.

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY

Mayor William T. Allison

ATTEST:

Shaunna Lee Rice, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Patricia Taraday, City Attorney