CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. R-12-851

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY, WASHINGTON, APPROVING A SOLID WASTE GENERAL RATE INCREASE FOR RABANCO (aka ALLIED WASTED) EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2012 FOR THE 2009 ANNEXATION AREA KNOWN AS MAPLE RIDGE HIGHLANDS

WHEREAS, the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance 0-09-388, published on July 21, 2009, to annex 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 because of annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Maple Valley adopted Ordinance O-09-390 granting a franchise to Fiorito Enterprises, Inc. & Rabanco Companies, dba Kent Meridian Disposal ("Rabanco", aka “Allied Waste”) in September, 2009; and

WHEREAS, a provision of Ordinance O-09-390 requires that rate adjustments proposed by the hauler require staff review and City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, Rabanco is required to submit its application for a general rate increase to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) and the City relies upon the public process and action by the WUTC for guidance as to what is “fair and reasonable” when considering proposed rate changes; and

WHEREAS, Rabanco has satisfied the statutory notification requirements by provision of a letter to Maple Ridge Highlands customers of the rate increase; and

WHEREAS, the WUTC approved a general rate increase on February 23, 2012 effective March 1, 2012;

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

Section 1. Approval. The City Council of the City of Maple Valley hereby approves the general rate increase proposed by Rabanco for the annexed area known as Maple Ridge Highlands effective March 1, 2012. A copy of the Rabanco rates by service level effective March 1, 2012 will be filed with the City Clerk and identified with Clerk's Receiving No. ______.

CITY OF MAPLE VALLEY

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William T. Allison, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Shaunna Lee Rice, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Christy A. Todd, City Attorney