A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SAMMAMISH PLATEAU WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 5018 DECLARING AND IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF SEWER AVAILABILITY AND APPROVAL OF NEW SEWER SERVICE CONNECTIONS FOR CERTAIN DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES OCCURRING WITHIN THE SAMMAMISH PLATEAU NORTH SEWER SERVICE AREA AND ASSOCIATED SEWER BASINS.

WHEREAS, Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District ("District") is a water-sewer district formed and existing under authority of Title 57 RCW providing water and sewer service to customers located in portions of the cities of Issaquah and Sammamish, as well as in areas of unincorporated King County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 57.08.005(5) the District has the power and authority to construct, maintain and operate systems of sewers for the purpose of furnishing the District, the inhabitants thereof, and persons outside the District with an adequate system of sewers for all uses and purposes, and the District has the full authority to regulate the use and operation of its sewer system; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, the District Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 5018 declaring and imposing a moratorium on the issuance of certificates of sewer availability and approval of new sewer service connections for certain development activities occurring within the Sammamish Plateau North Sewer Service Area and associated sewer basins; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2021, the District conducted a public hearing and received public comment regarding the moratorium and discussed and consider the facts and circumstances relating to the sewer capacity issues and associated moratorium; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of Resolution No. 5018, the District has identified certain situations where certain development activities are being impacted by the moratorium and District staff have determined that it would be reasonable for the Board of Commissioners to adopt amendments to the moratorium to provide exceptions and clarifications to the current limitations on development activities imposed by Resolution No. 5018; now therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District, King County, Washington, as follows:

1. Amendments to Resolution No. 5018. The restrictions on development activities contained in Section 4 of Resolution No. 5018 are hereby amended to read as follows:

   Development Activities Subject to Moratorium. The moratorium imposed by this Resolution shall apply to the following described development activities.

   A. Issuance of Certificates of Sewer Availability. No new Certificates of Sewer Availability will be issued for the following types of development activities:

      (1) Individual single-family residence building permits (new home, remodel) that have not previously paid a full Sewer General Facility Charge for the level of service proposed by equivalent residential unit (ERU).

      (2) New development proposals where there are not prepaid full Sewer General Facility Charges for the level of service proposed.

   B. Issuance of Approvals for New Sewer Services. No new Side Sewer Permits will be issued for the following types of development activities:

      (1) Existing houses that are not a sewer customer, and are requesting to transition from use of a septic system to sewer service, except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (2) below.

      (2) Existing houses seeking to connect to the District public sewer system due to a failing septic system as verified by the King County Health Department will not be subject to this moratorium.

   C. Development Activities Not Subject to Moratorium. The following development activities are exempt from the moratorium:

      (1) Certificates of Sewer Availability may be issued for development activities involving properties located more than 200 feet from existing sewer, where the use of on-site septic system(s) is proposed.

      (2) Certificates of Sewer Availability may be issued and connection to the sewer system allowed for property owners that
have previously entered into formal Commitment Agreements with the District under the District’s Neighborhood Sewer Program which contemplated that the properties would be allowed to connect to new sewer facilities constructed as part of a Neighborhood Sewer Program.

D. Agreements for Future Connections to Sewer. A number of property owners have previously entered into Agreements for Future Connections to Sewer with the District that obligate the property owner to connect to the District’s sewer system within five (5) years of being notified that sewer is available to serve the property. During the period of time that the moratorium is in effect, the District will not require or allow connections to the District’s sewer system unless:

(1) A particular property falls within the scope of an approved exception to the moratorium as provided herein or

(2) As directed by a government agency.

2. Amendment of Existing Resolutions and Policies. This Resolution shall amend and modify Resolution No. 5018 and all prior District resolutions, policies and procedures to the extent such resolutions, policies and procedures are inconsistent with this Resolution.
ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners, Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District, King County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on the 19th day of April, 2021.

Individual Commissioner’s Vote on this Resolution:

Approved: ☑️
Opposed: 
Abstained: 
Absent: 

Approved: ☑️
Opposed: 
Abstained: 
Absent: 

Approved: ☑️
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