# **Title 21 Revision**

Portland City Council December 3, 2020



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### Title 21

### **Purpose: Title 21 Update**

The purpose of the Title 21 update is to make the language current and more accessible and understandable by:

- rearranging the order of the code to be **more logical**
- using a format and numbering system that is **easier to cite**
- eliminating repealed, duplicative, expired, executed, and other ineffective provisions
- rewriting in plain language for better clarity
- Implementing charter changes that were approved by voters in November 2019 election
- Reviewing for consistency with Racial Equity Plan

**Overview of changes:** 

- 21.04 Definitions: updated for **current language & consistency** with state law
- 21.08 Extension of Water Mains: minimal edits, engineering standards
- 21.12 Water Services: updated language, added option for separate services
- 21.16 Rates and Charges: references to money moved to Annual Rate Ordinance
- 21.20 Turning on or Shutting Off: clarified that OAR requires backflow assembly be installed prior to turning on service
- 21.24 Rules and Regulations: clean up with clarifications to backflow requirements
- 21.35 Wellhead Protection: removed obsolete language & updates references to City Fire Code
- 21.36 Bull Run Watershed Protection: incorporated Nov 2019 charter protection requirements
- 21.37 Emergency Response: new based on Nov 2019 charter, allows Water Bureau to provide mutual aid in emergencies

General Updates (housekeeping) 21.36 Bull Run Watershed Protections

### **Engaged with stakeholders to:**

- Protect riparian zones adjacent to waterways
- Require revegetation for work that exposes bare soil
- Provide passage for fish and other aquatic species
- Limit construction during wet weather to avoid erosion
- Restrict work during critical fire season conditions
- Establish a new project impact and mitigation process
- Provide opportunities for comment and collaboration by the public





21.12 Option for Separate Metering

# Worked with stakeholders and community to:

- **Revise** this section after public comment period, and again following October 27 work session.
- **Incorporate feedback** from Council and stakeholders, to limit impacts to affordable housing development.
- Continue <u>voluntary options</u> for separate metering, clarifying that separate meters are allowed.
- Support bureau goals such as equity, climate adaptation, water efficiency and leak management.



Master vs new separate metering options



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## **Questions?**

