



City of North Port

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, APPENDIX A – CITY FEE STRUCTURE, TO CHANGE CERTAIN FIRE RESCUE, PARKS AND RECREATION, FACILITY RENTAL, AND UTILITIES FEES; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has the duty, right, power, and authority to levy and collect fees for City services rendered; and

WHEREAS, the City’s fees provide funding for the purpose of providing services to the residents of the City of North Port; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Department notified its customers of the proposed changes to the miscellaneous fees as required by Florida State Statute 180.136; and

WHEREAS, the City Fee Structure is codified as Appendix A to the Code of the City of North Port, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that these amendments serve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1 – FINDINGS

1.01 The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated in this ordinance by reference.

SECTION 2 – ADOPTION

2.01 Appendix A of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida is hereby amended as follows:

“APPENDIX A – CITY FEE STRUCTURE

The following establishes the fees for the city.

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E. FIRE RESCUE FEES

FIRE RESCUE FEES	
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Fire and EMS Standby*	
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Firefighter/EMT/Paramedic	\$41.00 <u>\$47.00</u> per person per hour
Supervisor/Lieutenant/Fire Inspector	\$48.00 <u>\$54.00</u> per person per hour
Manager/Captain/Battalion/Division/District	\$54.00 <u>\$60.00</u> per person per hour
<u>Command staff vehicle</u>	<u>\$19.97 per hour (2021 FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rates schedule)</u>
Ambulance	\$41.00 <u>\$41.76</u> per hour (2019 <u>2021</u> FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rate schedule)
<u>Brush truck</u>	<u>\$49.03 per hour (2021 FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rate schedule)</u>
Fire truck/1250 pump with rescue equipment	\$96.00 <u>\$97.71</u> per hour (2019 <u>2021</u> FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rate schedule)
<u>Water tanker</u>	<u>\$104.95 per hour (2021 FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rate schedule)</u>
Aerial truck 75 quint	\$121.00 <u>\$122.69</u> per hour (2019 <u>2021</u> FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rate schedule)
User fee rates for small emergency responder (RAV/EMS gator) standby <u>All Terrain Vehicle (Polaris) and Trailer</u>	\$25.00 <u>\$29.92</u> per hour (<u>2021 FEMA Rates; fees subject to change based on FEMA rate schedule</u>)
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EMS Fees	
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<u>d. EMS staff and ambulance waiting time with patient (to be billed to the hospital)</u>	<u>\$123.76 for the first 15 minutes past the 30-minute mark and then \$30.94 per 15 minutes thereafter.</u>
<u>Fire Training Course Fees</u>	
<u>Lecture-based course</u>	<u>\$50.00 - \$500.00, based on lecture/course length and technical</u>

	<u>level of instruction. Book fees are not included and are to be purchased by students, if required. The fee may be waived at the discretion of the fire chief for an internal staff attendee.</u>
<u>Hands-on training course</u>	<u>\$125.00 - \$1,700.00, based on technical level of the course, instructor requirements, equipment usage, and market price for materials. Book fees are not included and are to be purchased by students, if required. The fee may be waived at the discretion of the fire chief for an internal staff attendee.”</u>

2.02 Appendix A of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida is hereby amended as follows:

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G. PARKS AND RECREATION FEES

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City Organized Special Events/Activities	
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Food vendor—non-profit agencies with proof of 501(c)(3) status—community event (<u>planned for 500—999 attendees</u>)	\$25.00 per space
Food vendor—community event (<u>planned for fewer than under 500 attendees</u>)	\$25.00 per space
Food vendor—non-profit agencies with proof of 501(c)(3) status—community event (<u>planned for fewer than under 500 attendees</u>)”	\$12.50 per space
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Warm Mineral Springs Refund Policy:	
<p>Tickets are not refundable, cannot be exchanged, and are not transferable. Same day re-entry shall be permitted. Proof of residency required; no rainchecks allowed. If the City closes Warm Mineral Springs due to facility issues, construction, or inclement weather, patrons in the facility at the time of the facility closure will receive an admission voucher good for one entry to the Springs within 30 days of the closure. Rainchecks will be provided for patrons in the facility who experience a closure due to facility issues, wildlife or inclement weather if they have been at the facility for less than two</p>	

hours and the closure is expected to last more than one hour. Receipt of purchase required. Raincheck will be valid for six months of the date of closure.
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2.03 Appendix A of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida is hereby amended as follows:

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H. FACILITY RENTAL FEES

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Community Educational Center	
Christenson room (capacity 45/sq. ft. 775)	\$30.00 per hour
Peterson room (capacity 145/sq. ft. 2,400)	\$60.00 per hour
Kitchen (sq. ft. 465)	\$15.00 per hour
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Park Rental (Exclusive Use)	
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Garden of the Five Senses	\$60.00 per hour
<u>Butler Park*</u>	<u>\$140.00 per hour</u>
*Exclusive use of Butler Park is available only during non-operational hours of the Morgan Family Community Center and the North Port Aquatic Center. Exclusive use rental does not waive athletic field use restrictions.	
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Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park Rental Fees	
<u>Primitive Campground Fees</u>	
<u>Primitive campground—Organized youth groups (minimum of 6 youths and one adult chaperone per youth group)</u>	<u>\$2.00 per youth person/per night;</u> <u>\$12.00 minimum per group</u>
<u>Organized youth group adult chaperone (minimum of one adult chaperone per ten youth campers)</u>	<u>\$5.00 per adult chaperone/per night</u>

Primitive campground— all other campers <u>Youth (under 18)</u> (minimum of one adult per ten youth campers)	\$5.00 per youth person/per night; \$10.00 minimum per reservation
<u>Adult (over 18)</u>	\$10.00 per adult person/per night
<u>Reservations are limited to a maximum of 4 nights within a 14-day consecutive period of time.</u>	
<u>Open Space Fees</u>	
Open space locations at <u>Blue Ridge Park, Butler Park, City Center Complex, Dallas White Park, Garden of the Five Senses, Highland Ridge Park, McKibben Park and Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park</u>	\$15.00/hour <u>per hour</u>
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<u>Security Deposit—Facility and City Center</u> Excluding meetings and North Port Aquatic Center lane rentals, a refundable security deposit of \$100.00 or 25% of the total rental, whichever is greater, will be required. A refund of the security deposit will be issued after the event if the venue is cleaned without damage and key returned (if applicable). <u>Government entities are exempt from the required security deposit.</u>	
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J. UTILITIES FEES

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Account Fees	
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Initiation of service (activation)	\$45.00 <u>\$50.00</u>
Reinstatement of existing seasonal service—normal hours (charge includes both turn off and turn on services)	\$35.00 <u>\$40.00</u>
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Customer request – meter reread fee	\$40.00 if meter is correct <u>\$45.00 if meter is accurate within accepted standards measured by American Water Works Association</u>
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<u>Paper Bill Fee</u>	<u>\$1.00 per bill effective October 1, 2022</u>
<u>Paper Bill Fee</u>	<u>\$2.00 per bill effective October 1, 2023</u>
<u>Paper Bill Fee</u>	<u>\$3.00 per bill effective October 1, 2024</u>
Meter Installation Fees	
¾" meter installation, no tap	\$280.00 <u>\$315.00</u>
¾" meter installation with tap	\$945.00 <u>\$1,030.00</u>
1" meter installation, no tap	\$365.00 <u>\$555.00</u>
1" meter installation with tap	\$1,000.00 <u>\$1,145.00</u>
1 ½" meter installation, no tap	\$520.00 <u>\$995.00</u>
1 ½" meter installation with tap	\$1,370.00 <u>\$1,860.00</u>
2" meter installation, no tap	\$665.00 <u>\$1,160.00</u>
2" meter installation with tap	\$1,550.00 <u>\$2,220.00</u>
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Test Fees	
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Fire flow test, per test	\$130.00 <u>\$140.00</u>
Force main pressure test fee, per test	\$115.00 <u>\$125.00</u>
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SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

- 3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this ordinance and any other ordinance, in whole or in part, the provisions of this ordinance will prevail to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

- 4.01 If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason invalid or unconstitutional, that provision will be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance.

SECTION 5 – CODIFICATION

5.01 In this ordinance, additions are shown as underlined and deletions as ~~striketrough~~. Any additional codification information and notations appear in *italics*. These editorial notations are not intended to appear in the codified text.

SECTION 6 – EFFECTIVE DATE

6.01 This ordinance takes effect on October 1, 2022.

READ BY TITLE ONLY at first reading by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on July 12, 2022.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, on the second and final reading in public session on September 13, 2022.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

PETE EMRICH
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER FAUST, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

AMBER L. SLAYTON
CITY ATTORNEY