



City of North Port

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL UTILITY RATE SCHEDULE FOR PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, THE ANNUAL UTILITY RATE SCHEDULE FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER GUARANTEED REVENUE CHARGES, THE UTILITY RATE SCHEDULE FOR RECLAIMED WATER, THE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM BASE FACILITY CHARGE, THE WATER SYSTEM RATE SCHEDULE FOR WATER USAGE VOLUME, THE WATER SYSTEM RATE SCHEDULE FOR BULK WATER, THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM RATE SCHEDULE FOR USAGE, THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM FLAT RATE SCHEDULE, THE WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM DEPOSIT FEE SCHEDULE; ADOPTING AUTOMATIC RATE INCREASES; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 78-29 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, the City Commission shall establish and adopt by resolution a utility rate schedule incorporating rates for annual private fire protection services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 78-34 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, the City Commission shall establish and adopt by resolution a utility rate schedule incorporating guaranteed revenue charges; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 78-35 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, the City Commission shall establish and adopt by resolution a utility rate schedule incorporating a rate for the sale of reclaimed water; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 78-38 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, the City Commission shall establish and adopt by resolution a water system rate schedule to include a base facility charge, a water block/tier charge, usage rate, and bulk water rate; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 78-39 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, the City Commission shall establish and adopt by resolution a wastewater system rate schedule to include a base facility charge and usage charge; and

WHEREAS, the City contracted with GovRates, Inc. to review and analyze the sufficiency of the City's water and wastewater utility rates for Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, based on the sufficiency analysis performed by GovRates, Inc., it was determined that the adopted Engineering News-Record Construction Cost Index adjustment would not be adequate for the fiscal year 2025 budget and departmental capital needs; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that the proposed rate schedules serve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port, Florida.

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

SECTION 1 – INCORPORATION OF RECITALS

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

SECTION 2 – ADOPTION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE RATES

2.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the following utility rate schedule incorporating rated for annual private fire protection services, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Private Fire Protection Rate Schedule

Meter Size	Effective Date - October 1, 2022
All Meter Sizes or Size of Service Line	Annual charge equal to one month water base facility charge of applicable meter size or size of service line, rounded to the nearest dollar

SECTION 3 – ADOPTION OF GUARANTEED REVENUE CHARGES

3.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the following annual guaranteed revenue charges, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Annual Guaranteed Revenue Charges

Effective Date - October 1, 2019

Water	Monthly Water Base Charge multiplied by 12 months, rounded to the nearest dollar
Wastewater	Monthly Water Base Charge multiplied by 12 months, rounded to the nearest dollar

SECTION 4 – ADOPTION OF RECLAIMED WATER RATES

4.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the following reclaimed water rate schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified date:

Reclaimed Water Rate Schedule

	Effective Date October 1, 2022	Effective Date October 1, 2024
Per 1,000 gallons	\$0.68	\$0.74
Bulk – Per 1,000 gallons	\$0.31	\$0.34

SECTION 5 – ADOPTION OF WATER SYSTEM RATES AND FEES

- 5.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the following water base facility charges, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Water Base Facility Charges

	Effective Date December 1, 2023		Effective Date October 1, 2024	
Meter Size	Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
5/8" x 3/4"	\$25.12	\$28.89	\$27.51	\$31.63
1"	\$58.51	\$67.28	\$64.07	\$73.67
1-1/2"	\$114.14	\$131.25	\$124.98	\$143.72
2"	\$180.93	\$208.07	\$198.12	\$227.84
3"	\$358.94	\$412.79	\$393.04	\$452.01
4"	\$559.24	\$643.13	\$612.37	\$704.23
6"	\$1,115.61	\$1,282.96	\$1,221.59	\$1,404.84
8"	\$1,783.27	\$2,050.76	\$1,952.68	\$2,245.58
10"	\$2,562.13	\$2,946.45	\$2,805.53	\$3,226.36
12"	\$4,787.64	\$5,505.79	\$5,242.47	\$6,028.84

- 5.02 The City Commission hereby adopts the following water usage volume rate schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Water Usage Volume Rate Schedule

	Effective Date December 1, 2023		Effective Date October 1, 2024	
Usage Block	Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
1	\$5.36	\$6.16	\$5.87	\$6.75
2	\$8.03	\$9.23	\$8.79	\$10.11

3	\$11.29	\$12.98	\$12.36	\$14.21
4	\$15.05	\$17.30	\$16.48	\$18.94
5	\$19.31	\$22.21	\$21.14	\$24.32
6	\$26.84	\$30.86	\$29.39	\$33.79

Conservation Block Structure

Meter Size	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4	Block 5	Block 6
5/8" x 3/4"	4,000	8,000	12,000	16,000	20,000	Over 20,000
1"	10,000	20,000	30,000	40,000	50,000	Over 50,000
1-1/2"	20,000	40,000	60,000	80,000	100,000	Over 100,000
2"	32,000	64,000	96,000	128,000	160,000	Over 160,000
3"	64,000	128,000	192,000	256,000	320,000	Over 320,000
4"	100,000	200,000	300,000	400,000	500,000	Over 500,000
6"	200,000	400,000	600,000	800,000	1,000,000	Over 1,000,000
8"	320,000	640,000	960,000	1,280,000	1,600,000	Over 1,600,000
10"	460,000	920,000	1,380,000	1,840,000	2,300,000	Over 2,300,000
12"	860,000	1,720,000	2,580,000	3,440,000	4,300,000	Over 4,300,000

- 5.03 The City Commission hereby adopts the following bulk water rate schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Bulk Water Rate Schedule (per 1,000 gallons)

Effective Date
December 1, 2023

Effective Date
October 1, 2024

Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
\$6.83	\$7.85	\$7.48	\$8.60

SECTION 6 – ADOPTION OF WASTEWATER RATES AND FEES

- 6.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the following wastewater base facility charges, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Wastewater Base Facility Charges – Residential (all meter sizes)

Effective Date
October 1, 2023

Effective Date
October 1, 2024

Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
\$34.78	\$39.99	\$38.08	\$43.79

Wastewater Base Facility Charges – Commercial

Effective Date
October 1, 2023

Effective Date
October 1, 2024

Master Meter Size	Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
5/8" x 3/4"	\$34.78	\$39.99	\$38.08	\$43.79
1"	\$86.99	\$100.04	\$95.25	\$109.54
1-1/2"	\$173.93	\$200.02	\$190.45	\$219.02
2"	\$278.31	\$320.06	\$304.75	\$350.47
3"	\$556.60	\$640.09	\$609.48	\$700.90
4"	\$869.71	\$1,000.16	\$952.33	\$1,095.18
6"	\$1,739.88	\$2,000.32	\$1,905.17	\$2,190.35
8"	\$2,783.05	\$3,200.51	\$3,047.44	\$3,504.56
10"	\$4,000.65	\$4,600.75	\$4,380.71	\$5,037.82
12"	\$7,479.45	\$8,601.37	\$8,190.00	\$9,418.50

- 6.02 The City Commission hereby adopts the following wastewater usage rate schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Wastewater Usage Rate Schedule – Volume Charge (all usage*)

Effective Date
October 1, 2023

Effective Date
October 1, 2024

Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
\$7.57	\$8.70	\$8.29	\$9.53

*Monthly individually metered wastewater residential usage charges are capped at 12,000 gallons.

- 6.03 The City Commission hereby adopts the following wastewater flat rate schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified dates:

Wastewater Usage – Flat Rate Schedule (all usage*)

Effective Date
October 1, 2023

Effective Date
October 1, 2024

Inside City	Outside City	Inside City	Outside City
\$57.47	\$66.08	\$62.93	\$72.36

*Flat rate derived from base facility charge plus 3,000 gallons of use.

SECTION 7 – ADOPTION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER DEPOSIT FEES

- 7.01 The City Commission hereby adopts the following water deposit fee schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified date:

Water Deposit Fee Schedule

Effective Date – October 1, 2022

Meter Size	Residential	Commercial and Multi-Family	Temporary Service Construction Meter
5/8" x 3/4"	\$75.00	\$75.00	N/A
1"	\$190.00	\$190.00	N/A
1-1/2"	\$380.00	\$380.00	N/A
2"	\$600.00	\$600.00	Actual cost of meter
Over 2"	N/A	Estimated 2 months billing	Actual cost of meter

- 7.02 The City Commission hereby adopts the following wastewater deposit fee schedule, effective as of the billing cycle of the identified date:

Wastewater Deposit Fee Schedule

Effective Date - October 1, 2022

Meter Size	Residential	Commercial and Multi-Family
5/8" x 3/4"	\$110.00	\$110.00
1"	\$110.00	\$280.00
1-1/2"	\$110.00	\$550.00
2"	\$110.00	\$880.00
Over 2"	N/A	Estimated 2 months billing

SECTION 8 – ADOPTION OF AUTOMATIC INCREASES

- 8.01 Unless replaced by resolution of the City Commission, beginning on October 1 of fiscal year 2022, and each fiscal year thereafter until replaced by a resolution, the rates contained in Section 2 and Section 7 herein, effective October 1, 2022, shall remain in effect.
- 8.02 Unless replaced by resolution of the City Commission, the charges and rates contained in Section 3 herein, effective October 1, 2019, shall remain in effect.
- 8.03 Unless replaced by resolution of the City Commission, the charges and rates contained in Section 4 herein, effective October 1, 2024, shall remain in effect.
- 8.04 Unless replaced by resolution of the City Commission, beginning on October 1 of fiscal year 2024, and each fiscal year thereafter until replaced by a resolution, the rates, fees, and charges contained in Section 5 and Section 6 herein shall automatically increase by the percentage reported in the Engineering News-Record Construction Cost Index (the “Cost Index”) or the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach Consumer Price Index (the “CPI Index”), whichever is greater. The time period in the Cost Index or CPI Index used to determine the percentage of increase shall be the calendar year, January to January; beginning in January of the impacted fiscal year and ending retrospectively in January of the previous year. (For example: If no resolution is passed for fiscal year 2026, beginning October 1, 2026, the percentage of increase will be set using the Cost Index percentages from January 2025 through January 2026.)

SECTION 9 – CONFLICTS

- 9.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and any other resolution or portions thereof, the provisions of this resolution shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 10 – SEVERABILITY

- 10.01 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 11 – EFFECTIVE DATE

- 11.01 This resolution takes effect immediately.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on September 24, 2024.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

ALICE WHITE
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER FAUST, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

AMBER L. SLAYTON, B.C.S.
CITY ATTORNEY