ORANGE COUNTY GOVERNMENT F L O R I D A

Interoffice Memorandum

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January 14, 2025

TO: David Rooney, Manager, Clerk of the Board

Comptroller's Office

THRU: Cheryl Gillespie, Agenda Development

FROM: Ed Torres, M.S, P.E., LEED AP, Director

Utilities Department

Contact: Glenn Kramer, Manager, Fiscal & Operational Support Division

Utilities Department – 407-254-9882

RE: Request for Public Hearing – February 11, 2025;

To approve a resolution setting a revised Water and Reclaimed Water Meter

Charge Schedule.

SETTING REVISED RECLAIMED WATER CHARGE SCHEDULE; SUPERSEDING THE **EXISTING RECLAIMED** WATER CHARGE RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC ANNUAL INCREASE; PROVIDING FOR AN EXEMPTION FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY LANDSCAPING; PROVIDING FOR PERIODIC REVIEW; PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Applicant: N/A

Location: District: All

Estimated time required for public hearing: 15 minutes

Hearing controversial? Yes; the resolution will increase the

reclaimed water charges

Advertising requirements: Publish once in the legal classified

section of the Orlando Sentinel

Advertising timeframes: Place ad at least 10 days prior to February

11, 2025. Advertise one time only on or

before Sunday, January 26, 2025

Applicant/Abutters to be notified: N/A

Hearing required by Fla. Statute # or code: Section 125.66, Florida Statutes

Spanish Contact Person: Para más información, por favor llame al

Departamento de Servicios Públicos del Condado de Orange y pida hablar con un representante en español. El número de

teléfono es 407-836-5515.



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Materials being submitted as backup for public hearing request:

- 1. Notice of Public Hearing
- 2. Draft resolution setting a revised Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule
- 3. Memorandum to Mayor and Board of County Commissioners

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CLERK (IF ANY):

- 1. Please contact Glenn Kramer at 407-254-9882 to have the legal notice proofed and approved prior to publication.
- 2. Please return one (1) executed hard copy and one (1) executed electronic copy of the ordinance to Nicole Robinson, Utilities Department.
- 3. In the notice of public hearing, the contact information should be as follows:

Orange County Utilities

407-836-5515

Email: Utilities.Information@ocfl.net

c: Byron Brooks, A.I.C.P., County Administrator Jon Weiss, P.E., Deputy County Administrator Ed Torres, M.S., P.E., LEED AP, Director, Utilities Department Tim Armstrong, Deputy Director, Utilities Department Marc Cannata, P.E., Deputy Director, Utilities Department Kerry Kates, P.E., LEED AP, Deputy Director, Utilities Department Andres Salcedo, P.E., Deputy Director, Utilities Department Glenn Kramer, Manager, Utilities Fiscal & Operational Support Division Whitney Evers, Senior Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office

ORANGE COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE, CONTACT THE ORANGE COUNTY UTILITIES CUSTOMER SERVICE DIVISION, 407-836-5515, Email: Utilities.Information@ocfl.net

PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN, POR FAVOR LLAME AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS DEL CONDADO DE ORANGE Y PIDA HABLAR CON UN REPRESENTANTE EN ESPAÑOL. EL NÚMERO DE TELÉFONO ES 407-836-5515.

The Orange County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on **February 11, 2025** at **2 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the County Commission Chambers, First Floor, County Administration Center, 201 South Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, Florida. You are invited to attend and be heard regarding a proposed resolution as follows:

Consideration: SETTING A REVISED RECLAIMED WATER CHARGE SCHEDULE;

SUPERSEDING THE EXISTING RECLAIMED WATER CHARGE RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC ANNUAL INCREASE; PROVIDING FOR AN EXEMPTION FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY LANDSCAPING; PROVIDING FOR PERIODIC REVIEW; PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

You may examine the notice and the proposed resolution at the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, 201 South Rosalind Avenue, Fourth Floor; Orlando, Florida; between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

If you wish to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners at this meeting you will need a record of the proceedings. You should ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

If you require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, please call 407-836-5631 no later than two business days prior to the hearing for assistance. Si usted requiere ayuda especial bajo la ley de Americanos con Incapacidades de 1990, por favor llame al 407-836-3111.

Phil Diamond, CPA, County Comptroller As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners Orange County, Florida

Publish: **January 26, 2025**; the Orlando Sentinel Public Record Certify: Resolution setting a revised reclaimed water charge schedule.

c: All Board Members' Offices [email]
County Attorney's Office, BCC [Whitney Evers email]
Byron Brooks, A.I.C.P., County Administrator, BCC [email]
Jon Weiss, P.E., Deputy County Administrator, BCC [email]
Ed Torres, M.S, P.E., LEED AP Utilities Department, BCC [email]
Glenn Kramer, Utilities Fiscal & Operational Support Division, BCC [email]
Cheryl Gillespie, Agenda Development, BCC [email]
Mike Seif, Orange TV, BCC [email]
Assistant Deputy Clerk [email]

RESOLUTION

of the

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 2009-M-29

regarding

SETTING A REVISED RECLAIMED WATER CHARGE SCHEDULE; SUPERSEDING THE EXISTING RECLAIMED WATER CHARGE RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC ANNUAL INCREASE; PROVIDING FOR AN EXEMPTION FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY LANDSCAPING; PROVIDING FOR PERIODIC REVIEW; PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RESOL	UTION	NO. 202	25-M-

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County (the "Board") establishes and collects rates, fees and charges for its wastewater system (the "System") pursuant to its home rule powers granted to the County by the Florida Constitution, the Orange County Charter, Chapters 125 and 153 of Florida Statutes and any other applicable statutory authority; and

WHEREAS, the Board last adopted a revised Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule on July 23, 2009, pursuant to Resolution 2009-M-29; and

WHEREAS, the Board has analyzed and caused to be prepared a report on the County's reclaimed water system rates, fees, and charges; and

WHEREAS, as a result, the Board wishes to adopt the County's revised reclaimed water system rates, fees, and charges; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having conducted a duly noticed public hearing on February 11, 2025, now desires to approve this resolution adopting the revised rate schedule as set forth herein.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY:

Section 1. Premises. The foregoing premises are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Revised Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule.</u> The Board hereby adopts the revised Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule attached to and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A" (the "Schedule"). This Resolution adopting the attached Schedule shall supersede the presently existing Reclaimed Water Charge Resolution adopted July 23, 2009, and upon the effective date of such Resolution, shall repeal Resolution No. 2009-M-29.

For those customers receiving reclaimed water before January 1, 2002, under written contract, the contract shall prevail if and to the extent there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this resolution, including its exhibits, and the provisions of the contract.

Section 3. Automatic Annual Rate Increase. The Board previously adopted by Resolution and hereby re-confirms and re-adopts the provision for an automatic annual rate increase for the services described on Exhibit "A" as "Fixed Monthly Charge" and "Volume Charge". Effective on October 1st of each year hereafter, an automatic annual increase shall be three percent (3%) of all rates, fees and charges contained in the then current Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule in effect immediately prior to the effective date of such automatic annual rate increase. The Board further directs that on the effective date of each automatic annual rate increase, the Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule in effect immediately prior to the effective date of such increases shall be revised to include the three percent (3%) increase, and that a copy of such revised Schedule shall be maintained for public inspection by the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Exemption for Right-of-Way Landscaping.</u> To encourage investment in the beautification of public streets, an incorporated homeowners' association may use reclaimed water with no monthly user charge in irrigation systems installed, connected, owned, operated, and maintained by the association to irrigate landscaping in the rights-of-way classified by the County as arterial and collector roads. Such use of reclaimed water requires that the association apply in advance and be approved for service through the Orange County Utilities Department.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Periodic Rate Review</u>. The Board shall periodically conduct a review of the rates, fees, and charges set forth in the Orange County Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule.

<u>Section 6.</u> <u>Annual Notice to Customers</u>. Each year, the Orange County Utilities Department shall send annual written notification to all customers of the Orange County Reclaimed Water System of the County's monthly user rates, fees, and charges as set forth in the then current Orange County Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule.

Section 7. Review of Resolution. The Board hereby finds that all conditions precedent to adoption of this Resolution, pursuant to Section 30-2 of the Orange County Code, have been fulfilled.

<u>Section 8.</u> <u>Severability</u>. If any provisions of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are declared severable.

<u>Section 9.</u> <u>Effective Date</u> . This Resolution	tion shall become effective October 1, 2025.			
ADOPTED THIS DAY OF	, 2025.			
	ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Board of County Commissioners			
	Jerry L. Demings, Orange County Mayor			
ATTEST: Phil Diamond, CPA, County Comptroller As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners				
BY: Deputy Clerk				

EXHIBIT "A"

ORANGE COUNTY RECLAIMED WATER CHARGE SCHEDULE

FIXED MONTHLY CHARGE¹

Reclaimed Water Meter Size	Monthly Charge
5/8 inch	\$3.45
¾ inch	\$3.45
1 inch	\$19.11
1½ inch	\$34.84
2 inch	\$53.71
3 inch	\$113.48
4 inch	\$192.12
6 inch	\$428.04
8 inch	\$506.68
10 inch	\$1,324.54
12 inch	\$1,670.56
16 inch	\$2,456.96

VOLUME CHARGE

Meters < 1 inch

Tier 1 – 0 - 4,000 gallons	\$0.29 per 1,000 gallons
Tier 2 – 5,000 - 12,000 gallons	\$1.30 per 1,000 gallons
Tier 3 – 13,000 gallons and above	\$2.21 per 1,000 gallons

Meters ≥ 1 inch

Priority User	\$1.57 per 1,000 gallons
Interruptible User – No On-site Storage	\$0.81 per 1,000 gallons
Interruptible User – With On-site Storage	\$0.64 per 1,000 gallons

AUTOMATIC ANNUAL RATE INCREASE

The Board of County Commissioners adopts annually, effective October 1st of each year hereafter, an automatic increase each year of three percent (3%) to all rates, fees, and charges contained in this Preliminary Reclaimed Water Charge Schedule as they are in effect immediately prior to the effective date of such annual increase.

FOOTNOTE

(1) The Orange County Utilities Department shall determine the appropriate meter size for use by all its customers.