
RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING UPDATED WATER RATES, INCIDENTAL TO THE OPERATION OF THE TOWN'S WATER UTILITY SYSTEM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach ("Town") has adopted Ordinance 14-06, which is codified in Chapter 30 of the Fort Myers Beach Code of Ordinances ("Code"), establishing procedures for adopting rates, charges, and fees relating to the operation of the Town's potable water utility; and

WHEREAS, Section 30-26(b) of the Code provides that the Town Council will establish, adopt or modify, by resolution a schedule for usage blocks, water rates, fees and charges incidental to the operation of the Town's water utility system; and

WHEREAS, the Town has retained the services of GovRates, Inc. to conduct a water rate study for the Town; and

WHEREAS, GovRates, Inc. completed the study in June 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to adopt rates that are consistent with the recommendations from GovRates, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that adoption of the rates that are indicated in this resolution is appropriate and in the best interest of the Town and its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The following Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 of water rates, fees, and charges incidental to the operation of the Town's water utility system are adopted. The rates shall be effective for all bills rendered on or after the effective dates shown in the schedules. The consumption charges in Schedule 1 shall be automatically adjusted – without a public hearing – to pass-through future increases in the wholesale water rates charged to the Town. These automatic adjustments shall be applied using the pass-through adjustment (the "PTA") formula in Schedule 1.

Section 3. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 163.31801 of the Florida Statutes (also known as the "Florida Impact Fee Act"), the following Schedule 3 of water connection fees are adopted and shall have an effective date of January 1, 2021.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach.

The following schedules are included as part of this Resolution:

- Schedule 1: Monthly Water User Rates (Starts on Page 3 of 9)
- Schedule 2: Other / Miscellaneous Water Rates, Fee, and Charges (Starts on Page 7 of 9)
- Schedule 3: Water Connection Fees (Page 9 of 9)

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town Council upon a motion by Council Member Atterholt and seconded by Vice Mayor Hosafros, and upon being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

Raymond P. Murphy, Mayor	Aye
Rexann Hosafros, Vice Mayor	Aye
Dan Allers, Councilmember	Aye
Bill Veach, Councilmember	Aye
Jim Atterholt, Councilmember	Aye

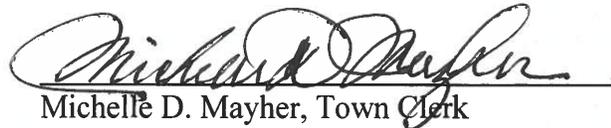
ADOPTED this 17th day of August, 2020 by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida.

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH



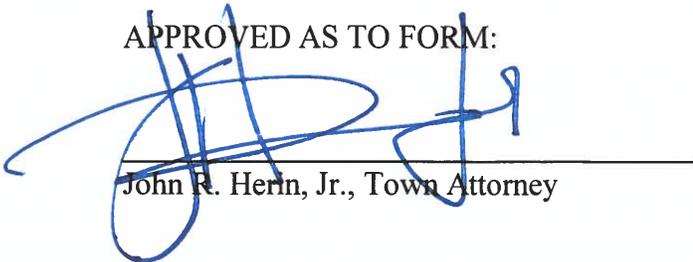
Ray Murphy, Mayor

ATTEST:



Michelle D. Mayher, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



John R. Herrin, Jr., Town Attorney

SCHEDULE 1

Monthly Water User Rates

Line No.	Description	Fiscal Year Ending September 30,					
		Existing	Effective October 1, 2020	Effective October 1, 2021	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023	Effective October 1, 2024
WATER SERVICE							
1	Administrative Charge Per Account	\$ 4.13	\$ 4.13	\$ 4.38	\$ 4.53	\$ 4.67	\$ 4.81
<u>Single-Family Residential</u>							
2	Base Charge Per Unit	\$ 12.39	\$ 12.39	\$ 13.13	\$ 13.59	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.42
<u>Existing Usage Charge - All Meter Sizes Per 1,000 Gallons</u>							
3	0 to 6,000 gallons	\$ 6.30					
4	6,001 to 15,000 gallons	7.52					
5	15,001 to 30,000 gallons	9.35					
6	Over 30,000 gallons	12.39					
<u>Proposed Usage Charge - All Meter Sizes Per 1,000 Gallons</u>							
7	0 to 6,000 gallons		\$ 6.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.47	\$ 7.69
8	6,001 to 12,000 gallons		8.91	9.44	9.77	10.06	10.36
9	12,001 to 18,000 gallons		9.90	10.49	10.86	11.19	11.53
10	Over 18,000 gallons		13.20	13.99	14.48	14.91	15.36
11	Pass-Through Adjustment [1]		+ PTA [1]				
<u>Multifamily Residential</u>							
12	Base Charge Per Unit	\$ 9.92	\$ 9.92	\$ 10.52	\$ 10.89	\$ 11.22	\$ 11.56
<u>Existing Charge Per 1,000 Gallons for Consumption Per Unit</u>							
13	0 to 5,000 gallons	\$ 6.30					
14	5,001 to 12,000 gallons	7.52					
15	12,001 to 24,000 gallons	9.35					
16	Over 24,000 gallons	12.39					
<u>Proposed Charge Per 1,000 Gallons for Consumption Per Unit</u>							
17	0 to 5,000 gallons		\$ 6.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.47	\$ 7.69
18	5,001 to 10,000 gallons		8.91	9.44	9.77	10.06	10.36
19	10,001 to 15,000 gallons		9.90	10.49	10.86	11.19	11.53
20	Over 15,000 gallons		13.20	13.99	14.48	14.91	15.36
21	Pass-Through Adjustment [1]		+ PTA [1]				
<u>Mobile Home</u>							
22	Base Charge Per Unit	\$ 7.75	\$ 7.75	\$ 8.22	\$ 8.51	\$ 8.77	\$ 9.03
<u>Existing Charge Per 1,000 Gallons for Consumption Per Unit</u>							
23	0 to 4,000 gallons	\$ 6.30					
24	4,001 to 10,000 gallons	7.52					
25	10,001 to 19,000 gallons	9.35					
26	Over 19,000 gallons	12.39					
<u>Proposed Charge Per 1,000 Gallons for Consumption Per Unit</u>							
27	0 to 4,000 gallons		\$ 6.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.47	\$ 7.69
28	4,001 to 8,000 gallons		8.91	9.44	9.77	10.06	10.36
29	8,001 to 12,000 gallons		9.90	10.49	10.86	11.19	11.53
30	Over 12,000 gallons		13.20	13.99	14.48	14.91	15.36
31	Pass-Through Adjustment [1]		+ PTA [1]				

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Monthly Water User Rates

Line No.	Description	Fiscal Year Ending September 30,					
		Existing	Effective October 1, 2020	Effective October 1, 2021	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023	Effective October 1, 2024
<u>Recreational Vehicle</u>							
32	Base Charge Per Unit	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.57	\$ 6.80	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.21
<u>Existing Charge Per 1,000 Gallons for Consumption Per Unit</u>							
33	0 to 3,000 gallons	\$ 6.30					
34	3,001 to 8,000 gallons	7.52					
35	8,001 to 15,000 gallons	9.35					
36	Over 15,000 gallons	12.39					
<u>Proposed Charge Per 1,000 Gallons for Consumption Per Unit</u>							
37	0 to 3,000 gallons		\$ 6.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.47	\$ 7.69
38	3,001 to 6,000 gallons		8.91	9.44	9.77	10.06	10.36
39	6,001 to 9,000 gallons		9.90	10.49	10.86	11.19	11.53
40	Over 9,000 gallons		13.20	13.99	14.48	14.91	15.36
41	Pass-Through Adjustment [1]		+ PTA [1]				
<u>Commercial</u>							
<u>Base Charge</u>							
42	5/8" Meter	\$ 12.39	\$ 12.39	\$ 13.13	\$ 13.59	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.42
43	3/4" Meter	18.59	18.59	19.71	20.40	21.01	21.64
44	1" Meter	30.97	30.97	32.83	33.98	35.00	36.05
45	1.5" Meter	61.94	61.94	65.66	67.96	70.00	72.10
46	2" Meter	99.10	99.10	105.05	108.73	111.99	115.35
47	3" Meter	198.21	198.21	210.10	217.45	223.97	230.69
48	4" Meter	309.70	309.70	328.28	339.77	349.96	360.46
49	6" Meter	619.39	619.39	656.55	679.53	699.92	720.92
50	8" Meter	991.02	991.02	1,050.48	1,087.25	1,119.87	1,153.47
51	10" Meter	1,796.23	1,796.23	1,904.00	1,970.64	2,029.76	2,090.65
<u>Charge for Consumption Per 1,000 Gallons [2]</u>							
52	Block 1	\$ 6.30	\$ 6.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.47	\$ 7.69
53	Block 2	7.52	8.91	9.44	9.77	10.06	10.36
54	Block 3	9.35	9.90	10.49	10.86	11.19	11.53
55	Block 4	12.39	13.20	13.99	14.48	14.91	15.36
56	Pass-Through Adjustment [1]		+ PTA [1]				
<u>Irrigation</u>							
<u>Base Charge</u>							
57	5/8" Meter	\$ 12.39	\$ 12.39	\$ 13.13	\$ 13.59	\$ 14.00	\$ 14.42
58	3/4" Meter	18.59	18.59	19.71	20.40	21.01	21.64
59	1" Meter	30.97	30.97	32.83	33.98	35.00	36.05
60	1.5" Meter	61.94	61.94	65.66	67.96	70.00	72.10
61	2" Meter	99.10	99.10	105.05	108.73	111.99	115.35
62	3" Meter	198.21	198.21	210.10	217.45	223.97	230.69
63	4" Meter	309.70	309.70	328.28	339.77	349.96	360.46
64	6" Meter	619.39	619.39	656.55	679.53	699.92	720.92
65	8" Meter	991.02	991.02	1,050.48	1,087.25	1,119.87	1,153.47
66	10" Meter	1,796.23	1,796.23	1,904.00	1,970.64	2,029.76	2,090.65
<u>Existing Charge for Consumption Per 1,000 Gallons [3]</u>							
67	Block 1	\$ 6.30					
68	Block 2	7.52					
69	Block 3	9.35					
70	Block 4	12.39					

SCHEDULE 1

Monthly Water User Rates

Line No.	Description	Fiscal Year Ending September 30,											
		Existing	Effective October 1, 2020	Effective October 1, 2021	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023	Effective October 1, 2024						
<u>Irrigation (cont.)</u>													
<u>Proposed Charge for Consumption Per 1,000 Gallons [3]</u>													
76	Block 1	\$	8.91	\$	9.44	\$	9.77	\$	10.06	\$	10.36		
77	Block 2		9.90		10.49		10.86		11.19		11.53		
78	Block 3		13.20		13.99		14.48		14.91		15.36		
79	Pass-Through Adjustment [1]		+ PTA [1]		+ PTA [1]		+ PTA [1]		+ PTA [1]		+ PTA [1]		
<u>Capital Reserve Charge</u>													
80	All Residential Per Unit	\$	3.52	\$	3.52	\$	3.73	\$	3.86	\$	3.98	\$	4.10
<u>Commercial / Nonresidential</u>													
81	5/8" Meter	\$	3.52	\$	3.52	\$	3.73	\$	3.86	\$	3.98	\$	4.10
82	3/4" Meter		5.28		5.28		5.60		5.80		5.97		6.15
83	1" Meter		8.80		8.80		9.33		9.66		9.95		10.25
84	1.5" Meter		17.58		17.58		18.63		19.28		19.86		20.46
85	2" Meter		28.12		28.12		29.81		30.85		31.78		32.73
86	3" Meter		56.24		56.24		59.61		61.70		63.55		65.46
87	4" Meter		87.87		87.87		93.14		96.40		99.29		102.27
88	6" Meter		175.75		175.75		186.30		192.82		198.60		204.56
89	8" Meter		281.19		281.19		298.06		308.49		317.74		327.27
90	10" Meter		509.65		509.65		540.23		559.14		575.91		593.19

Footnotes:

[1] The charges for consumption shall be automatically adjusted - without a public hearing - within one (1) month after the Town's wholesale water provider adopts an adjustment to the Town's wholesale water rates. The Pass-Through Adjustment (PTA) shall be determined as follows:

$$\text{Pass-Through Adjustment (PTA)} = \frac{\text{[Annual Purchased Water Costs Under the Adjusted Wholesale Sewer Rates / Annual Billed Gallons]}}{\text{Less Base Year Cost}}$$

Annual Billed Gallons are in thousands of gallons

Base Year Cost = \$3.91 per thousand gallons as derived from the projected cost for the Fiscal Year 2020

Annual Purchased Water Costs in PTA Formula

1. The Annual Purchased Water Costs shall be calculated using the most recently available historical 12 months of actual water gallons billed by the Town's wholesale water provider - for which the Town also has gallons billed to the Town's water customers - on the date that the adjusted wholesale water rates are adopted.
2. The historical time period for the water gallons billed by the Town's wholesale water provider and the revenue gallons billed to the Town's water customers must be the same for purposes of the PTA calculations.

Annual Billed Gallons in PTA Formula

The Annual Billed Gallons shall be the most recently available historical 12 months of water gallons billed to the Town's water customers based on metered water sales in thousands of gallons - for which the Town also has gallons billed by the Town's wholesale water provider - on the date that the adjusted wholesale water rates are adopted.

SCHEDULE 1

Monthly Water User Rates

Line No.	Description	Fiscal Year Ending September 30,				
		Existing	Effective October 1, 2020	Effective October 1, 2021	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023

[2] Existing and proposed usage blocks for commercial customers are as follows:

EXISTING:

Meter Size	Gallons			
	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
3/4"	Up to 6,000	6,001 to 15,000	15,001 to 30,000	> 30,000
1"	Up to 15,000	15,001 to 38,000	38,001 to 75,000	> 75,000
1.5"	Up to 30,000	30,001 to 75,000	75,001 to 150,000	> 150,000
2"	Up to 48,000	48,001 to 120,000	120,001 to 240,000	> 240,000
3"	Up to 96,000	96,001 to 240,000	240,001 to 480,000	> 480,000
4"	Up to 150,000	150,001 to 375,000	375,001 to 750,000	> 750,000
6"	Up to 300,000	300,001 to 750,000	750,001 to 1,500,000	> 1,500,000
8"	Up to 480,000	480,001 to 1,200,000	1,200,001 to 2,400,000	> 2,400,000
10"	Up to 870,000	870,001 to 2,175,000	2,175,001 to 4,350,000	> 4,350,000

PROPOSED:

Meter Size	Gallons			
	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
3/4"	Up to 6,000	6,001 to 12,000	12,001 to 18,000	> 18,000
1"	Up to 15,000	15,001 to 30,000	30,001 to 45,000	> 45,000
1.5"	Up to 30,000	30,001 to 60,000	60,001 to 90,000	> 90,000
2"	Up to 48,000	48,001 to 96,000	96,001 to 144,000	> 144,000
3"	Up to 96,000	96,001 to 192,000	192,001 to 288,000	> 288,000
4"	Up to 150,000	150,001 to 300,000	300,001 to 450,000	> 450,000
6"	Up to 300,000	300,001 to 600,000	600,001 to 900,000	> 900,000
8"	Up to 480,000	480,001 to 960,000	960,001 to 1,440,000	> 1,440,000
10"	Up to 870,000	870,001 to 1,740,000	1,740,001 to 2,610,000	> 2,610,000

[3] Existing and proposed usage blocks for irrigation customers are as follows:

EXISTING:

Meter Size	Gallons			
	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
3/4"	Up to 6,000	6,001 to 15,000	15,001 to 30,000	> 30,000
1"	Up to 15,000	15,001 to 38,000	38,001 to 75,000	> 75,000
1.5"	Up to 30,000	30,001 to 75,000	75,001 to 150,000	> 150,000
2"	Up to 48,000	48,001 to 120,000	120,001 to 240,000	> 240,000
3"	Up to 96,000	96,001 to 240,000	240,001 to 480,000	> 480,000
4"	Up to 150,000	150,001 to 375,000	375,001 to 750,000	> 750,000
6"	Up to 300,000	300,001 to 750,000	750,001 to 1,500,000	> 1,500,000
8"	Up to 480,000	480,001 to 1,200,000	1,200,001 to 2,400,000	> 2,400,000
10"	Up to 870,000	870,001 to 2,175,000	2,175,001 to 4,350,000	> 4,350,000

PROPOSED:

Meter Size	Gallons		
	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
3/4"	Up to 12,000	12,001 to 18,000	> 18,000
1"	Up to 30,000	30,001 to 45,000	> 45,000
1.5"	Up to 60,000	60,001 to 90,000	> 90,000
2"	Up to 96,000	96,001 to 144,000	> 144,000
3"	Up to 192,000	192,001 to 288,000	> 288,000
4"	Up to 300,000	300,001 to 450,000	> 450,000
6"	Up to 600,000	600,001 to 900,000	> 900,000
8"	Up to 960,000	960,001 to 1,440,000	> 1,440,000
10"	Up to 1,740,000	1,740,001 to 2,610,000	> 2,610,000

SCHEDULE 2

Other / Miscellaneous Water Rates, Fees, and Charges

Line No.	Description	Existing	Effective October 1, 2020
1	Establish Service Fee	\$65.05	\$75
2	Account Transfer Fee	\$16.50	\$16.50
	Meter Installation / Service Initiation Charge:		
3	5/8" Meter	\$625.00	Actual Cost
4	3/4" Meter	N/A	Actual Cost
5	1" Meter	490.00	Actual Cost
6	1.5" Meter	835.00	Actual Cost
7	2" Meter	1,045.00	Actual Cost
8	3" Meter and Above	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
9	Meter Change Out	\$43.05 plus Cost of Materials	\$100.00 plus Cost of Materials
	Tap-In Charges:		
10	5/8" Meter	Actual Cost	Actual Cost of Subcontractor + 10% Administration
11	3/4" Meter	N/A	Actual Cost of Subcontractor + 10% Administration
12	1" Meter	Actual Cost	Actual Cost of Subcontractor + 10% Administration
13	1.5" Meter	Actual Cost	Actual Cost of Subcontractor + 10% Administration
14	2" Meter	Actual Cost	Actual Cost of Subcontractor + 10% Administration
15	3" Meter and Above	Actual Cost	Actual Cost of Subcontractor + 10% Administration
16	Inspection Charge	\$103.55	\$155 or time and materials, whichever is greater
17	Premises Visit For meter rereads, only charged if meter is correct; first reread every year is no charge	\$32.05	\$55
18	Premises Visit After Hours	\$91.20	\$100
19	Normal Turn-On/Off	\$86.10	\$95
20	After Hours Turn-On/Off	\$119.10	\$130
21	Violation Turn-On/Reconnection of Service	\$108.10	\$120
22	After Hours Violation Turn-On / Reconnection of Service	\$141.10	\$145
	Meter Tampering Fee:		
23	Without Meter Replacement	\$515.55	First offense: \$500 plus cost of replacing damaged property; Second offense: \$1,000 plus cost of replacing damaged property; Third and subsequent offense: \$1,500 plus cost of replacing damaged property
	With Meter Replacement (5/8" Meter, Actual Cost for Larger Meter)	766.30	

SCHEDULE 2

Other / Miscellaneous Water Rates, Fees, and Charges

Line No.	Description	Existing	Effective October 1, 2020
24	Plan Review Fee	\$70.55 + Cost of Subconsultant Services	\$115 + Cost of Subconsultant Services
	Fire Service Charges:		
25	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 5/8" Line	\$10.30	Monthly Base Charge for 5/8" Meter
26	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 3/4" Line	15.44	Monthly Base Charge for 3/4" Meter
27	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 1" Line	25.73	Monthly Base Charge for 1" Meter
28	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 1.5" Line	51.47	Monthly Base Charge for 1.5" Meter
29	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 2" Line	82.35	Monthly Base Charge for 2" Meter
30	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 3" Line	164.69	Monthly Base Charge for 3" Meter
31	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 4" Line	257.34	Monthly Base Charge for 4" Meter
32	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 6" Line	514.67	Monthly Base Charge for 6" Meter
33	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 8" Line	823.47	Monthly Base Charge for 8" Meter
34	Standby Fire Flow / Year - 10" Line	1,183.74	Monthly Base Charge for 10" Meter
	Customer Deposit:		
	Residential Service		
35	Single Family	\$85.60	Two months bill for service with monthly usage of 4,000 gallons
36	Multi-Family	68.48	80% of single family residential deposit
37	Mobile Home	68.48	60% of single family residential deposit
38	Recreational Vehicle	47.08	50% of single family residential deposit
	Commercial and Non-Residential Service		
39	5/8" Meter	\$85.60	Same as single family residential deposit
40	3/4" Meter	128.40	1.5 times 5/8" meter deposit
41	1" Meter	214.00	2.5 times 5/8" meter deposit
42	1.5" Meter	428.00	5 times 5/8" meter deposit
43	2" Meter	684.80	8 times 5/8" meter deposit
44	3" Meter	1,369.60	16 times 5/8" meter deposit
45	4" Meter	2,140.00	25 times 5/8" meter deposit
46	6" Meter	4,280.00	50 times 5/8" meter deposit
47	8" Meter	6,848.00	80 times 5/8" meter deposit
48	10" Meter	9,844.00	115 times 5/8" meter deposit
49	Hydrant Meter Deposit	\$695.50	Actual Cost of Hydrant Meter
50	Bank Draft Charge	\$22.00	Eliminate; not charged
	Returned Check Fee:		
51	Face Amount <= \$50	\$25.00	\$25
52	Face Amount > \$50 and <= \$300	30.00	30
53	Face Amount > \$300	40.00	40.00 or 5% of check amount, whichever is greater
	Late Payment Charge		
54	All Accounts	Greater of \$6.00 or 1.5% of unpaid balance	Greater of \$6 or 1.5% of unpaid balance
55	Meter Test Charge	N/A	Actual Cost + 10% Administration

SCHEDULE 3

Water Connection Fees

Line No.	Description	Existing	Effective January 1, 2021
WATER CONNECTION FEES			
1	Single Family Residential (per unit)	\$ 1,442.00	\$ 2,294
2	Multi-Family (per unit)	1,153.00	1,834
3	Mobile Home (per unit)	901.25	1,376
4	Recreational Vehicle (per unit)	721.00	1,147
<u>Commercial and Non-Residential Service:</u>			
<u>Meter Size:</u>			
5	5/8"	\$ 1,442.00	\$ 2,294
6	3/4"	2,163.00	3,441
7	1"	3,605.00	5,735
8	1.5"	7,210.00	11,470
9	2"	11,536.00	18,352
10	3"	23,072.00	36,704
11	4"	36,050.00	57,350
12	6"	72,100.00	114,700
13	8"	115,360.00	183,520
14	10"	209,090.00	332,630