

RESOLUTION NO. 96-SW-01

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISED WATER SYSTEM CHARGE SCHEDULE; REVISING CERTAIN COUNTY WATER SYSTEM CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC ANNUAL INCREASE; ADOPTING A CONSERVATION CHARGE; PROVIDING FOR PERIODIC REVIEW; PROVIDING REVIEW FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County establishes and collects rates, fees, and charges for its water system pursuant to its home rule powers granted to the County by the Florida Constitution, the Orange County Charter, Chapter 125 of Florida Statutes and any other applicable statutory authority.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners last adopted a revised Water System Charge Schedule on February 2, 1987, notwithstanding automatic annual adjustment to same.

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

WHEREAS, as a result, the Board now desires to adopt the recommendations of that study by revising the County's water system charges, rates and fees.

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

Section 1.     Revised Water System Charge Schedule. The Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") hereby adopts the revised Water System Charge Schedule attached to and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A". This Resolution and the attached Schedule supersede the presently existing Water System Charge Schedule adopted February 2, 1987, and hereby repeal Resolution No. 87-SW-04 in its entirety.

Section 2.     Automatic Annual Rate Increase. The Board previously adopted by Resolution and hereby re-confirms and re-adopts, effective October 1, 1996, and on October 1st of each year thereafter, an automatic increase each year of three percent (3%) to all rates, fees and charges

contained in the most current Water System Charge Schedule in effect immediately prior to the effective date of such annual increase. The Board further directs that on the effective date of each annual increase the Water System 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. The automatic increase shall not apply to Specific Service Charges, Meter Fees and Meter Installation Fees.

Section 3. Meter Fees and Meter Installation Fees; Time of Payment. Beginning on the effective date of this Resolution, all meter fees and meter installation fees shall be paid prior to the issuance of the first building permit for a structure or structures in the project to be served by the County's overall Water System, unless superseded by other County Ordinances or Resolutions. All of those who, as of the effective date of this Resolution, have received building permits for a structure or structures to be served by the County's overall Water System but have not yet paid applicable meter fees and meter installation fees shall pay the adopted applicable meter fees and meter installation fees prior to connection. Said fees shall be determined pursuant to the Water Meter Charge Schedule, attached hereto as Exhibit "B." Meter Fees and Meter Installations Fees shall not be subject to automatic annual rate increases provided for in Section 2 herein.

Section 4. Conservation Charge. The Board previously adopted a Conservation Charge to promote water usage conservation. The Board hereby reconfirms the adoption of the Conservation Charge which shall be as set forth in the Water System Charge Schedule attached as Exhibit "A" attached hereto and shall be subject to automatic annual rate increases provided for in Section 2 herein.

Section 5. Periodic Rate Review. The Board shall periodically conduct review of the

rates, fees and charges set forth in the Orange County Water System Charge Schedule.

Section 6. Annual Notice to Customers. Beginning in October 1996, and during each October of each year thereafter, the Orange County Utilities Division shall send annual written notification to all customers of the Orange County Water System of the County's monthly user rates, fees and charges as set forth in the then current Orange County Water System 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.

Section 8. Severability of Provision. If any provision 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 valid provision or application and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are declared severable.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective as of the effective date of Ordinance No. 96-14.

ADOPTED THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 1996.

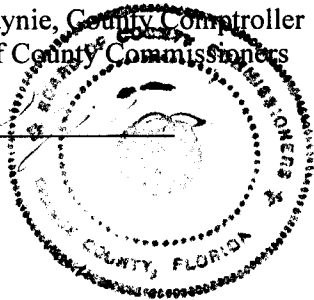
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Mary D. Johnson  
County Chairman

DATE: MAY 17 1996

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller  
As Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

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Deputy Clerk



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(rev. 04/22/96)

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**ALTERNATIVE 1**  
**ORANGE COUNTY**

**WATER SYSTEM CHARGE SCHEDULE**

<u>Water Meter Size (Footnote 1)</u>	<u>Monthly Charge</u>
- 5/8 by 3/4 inch meter	\$ 5.47
- 1 inch meter	9.72
- 1-1/2 inch meter	16.79
- 2 inch meter	25.28
- 3 inch meter	47.92
- 4 inch meter	73.39
- 6 inch meter	144.14
- 8 inch meter	229.04
- 10 inch meter	356.39

**Volume Charge**

- 0-3,000	\$ 0.89 per 1,000 gallons
- 4,000 and above	1.19 per 1,000 gallons

**CONSERVATION CHARGE** (For all 5/8-inch by 3/4-inch water meter customers and all single family residential and single family mobile home customers, regardless of meter size.)

**Conservation Rate:** \$2.09 per 1,000 gallons for usage over 15,000 gallons per month but at or below 30,000 gallons per month.

**Conservation Surcharge:** \$2.61 per 1,000 gallons for water usage above 30,000 per month.

**BILLING PERIOD**

Monthly: Single-family residential, duplex, condominium, and other type dwelling units individually metered; multi-family residential apartment, mobile home, travel-trailer, and other type dwelling units collectively metered and all other commercial, institutional, industrial or other accounts (e.g. large consumers), regardless of meter size, shall be billed for the amount of water used each month as measured by each of their respective meters. (The above rates shall apply to each meter, regardless of the number of meters.)

**FIRE SYSTEM AND HYDRANT CHARGES**

- Private Fire Hydrants Hydrant Installation Charge	Actual Cost
- Private Fire Line/Sprinkler System Installation Costs	Actual Cost

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**SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES**

-	Initiation of Service	
	Regular Business Hours	\$ 12.60
	Non-Business Hours	\$ 20.80
-	Temporary Disconnect Turn-Ons	
	Regular Business Hours	\$ 18.80
	Non-Business Hours	\$ 26.10
-	Temporary Disconnect Turn-Offs	\$ 18.70
-	Meter Removal / Service Tampering	\$ 33.60
-	Unauthorized Connection	
	Regular Business Hours	\$ 189.00
	Non-Business Hours	\$ 202.00
-	Covered, Obscured or Inaccessible Meters	\$ 29.10
-	Reading or Picking up a Hydrant Meter for Non-Payment	\$ 24.20
-	Re-read for Customer Convenience	\$ 11.40
-	Late Charge for Non-Submission of Hydrant Meter and/or Card for Reading	\$ 7.90
-	Reading of Specialty Meters	\$ 36.20
-	Research Account Information	Actual time at current hourly rate plus cost of copies.
-	Account Deposits	
	Residential - 5/8" x 3/4" Meter	\$ 32.00
	Residential - 1" Meter and All Other Deposits	(Footnote 2)
-	Portable Meter Deposit	Replacement cost of meter.
-	Meter Inspection and Testing	At Cost
-	Back Flow Prevention Device Testing	At Cost
-	Non-Sufficient Fund (NSF) Charge	\$ 15.00
-	Plans and Specifications	Time and Materials

**AUTOMATIC ANNUAL RATE INCREASE**

The Board of County Commissioners adopts annually, effective October 1 each year hereafter an automatic increase each year of three percent (3%) to all rates, fees, and charges contained in this Water System Charge Schedule as they are in effect immediately prior to the effective date of such annual increase. The automatic increase shall not apply to Specific Service Charges, or Fire System and Hydrant Charges.

**FOOTNOTES**

- (1) The Orange County Utilities Division (OCUD) shall determine the appropriate meter size for use by all its customers.
- (2) Deposit to be calculated as twice the estimated total monthly bill.

**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**ALTERNATIVE 1**  
**ORANGE COUNTY**

**WATER METER CHARGE SCHEDULE**

<u>Meter &amp; Meter Service (Footnote 1)</u>	<u>Meter &amp; Meter Service Installation Cost (Footnote 2)</u>
- Irrigation Meter Set	\$ 130.00
- 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Set	\$ 86.00
- 1" Meter Set	\$ 161.00
- 1-1/2" Meter Set	\$ 299.00
- 2" Meter Set	\$ 344.00
- 4" Fire Line Master Meter - Above Ground	\$ 4,500.00
- 6" Fire Line Master Meter - Above Ground	\$ 5,925.00
- 8" Fire Line Master Meter - Above Ground	\$ 8,165.00
- 10" Fire Line Master Meter - Above Ground	\$ 11,135.00
- 1" Service (Short)	\$ 187.00
- 1" Service (Long)	\$ 824.00
- 2" Service (Short)	\$ 285.00
- 2" Service (Long)	\$ 912.00

Note: Following satisfactory completion of the water supply and distribution system, and upon receipt of the applicable meter/connection fee, the Orange County Utilities Division (OCUD) shall furnish and install the necessary fittings, meter, and meter box at the property line. The owner or developer of the property desiring service shall bear the expense of the service lateral pipe of the required size, from and including its connection with a corporation stop at the water distribution main in the right-of-way to and including a curb stop at the property line. Service piping from the meter to the building is to be installed by and/or at the expense of the property owner or builder.

**FOOTNOTES**

- (1) The OCUD shall determine the appropriate meter size for use by all its customers.
- (2) Does not include any cost associated with construction of a water lateral from the meter to the water main providing service; in the majority of cases, the developer constructs the lateral. In situations where the

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OCUD would be responsible for the lateral, the cost of the lateral would be charged to the customer on a time, materials, and pro rata overhead cost basis.