
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
TAMPA, FLORIDA 33601**

BOARD POLICY - SECTION NUMBER: 03.04.02.00

SUBJECT: USER CHARGES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES FEE SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE DATE: OCTOBER 1, 1990

SUPERSEDES: FEES AND CHARGES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES - SECTION #03.04.02.00 - OCTOBER 1, 1989

Purpose:

To establish a schedule of fees and user charges for water and wastewater service.

Policy:

It is the policy of the Board of County Commissioners to approve and adopt a schedule of fees and user charges for water and wastewater service effective October 1, 1990. (See attachment)

Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the Public Utilities Department under the direction of the County Administrator to put into effect the schedule of fees and user charges for Water and Wastewater Services as approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

Attachment:

Schedule of Fees and User Charges for Water and Wastewater Utilities
Resolution R90-0202

Approved By: Board of County Commissioners
Approval Date: September 27, 1990

RESOLUTION NO. R90-0202

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SCHEDULE OF FEES AND MONTHLY USER CHARGES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER Phyllis Busansky, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Jan Platt, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY A VOTE OF 4 TO 2; COMMISSIONER(S) Haven Poe, James Selvey, VOTING NO

WHEREAS, The Hillsborough County Public Utilities Department must receive sufficient revenues for service that it renders to meet operation and maintenance expenses, develop and perpetrate the necessary utility facilities, maintain the financial integrity of the utility enterprise operation and comply with provisions of Resolution No. R85-0225 (the A1985 Resolution) relating to the Refunding and Improvement Utility Revenue Bonds of 1985 and the project Bonds for Hillsborough County's Capital Improvement Program Revenue Bonds (Water and Wastewater Facilities) Series 1986 Bi-Modal Multi-Term Format, and

WHEREAS, The County has engaged the firm of Darby, Sheahen, Weissman, Morgenstern, and Ferrell, P.A., to review and recommend appropriate changes to capacity fees and monthly user charges for service, which charges include the components of a base charge, consumption/usage charge, and customer service/billing charge, and

WHEREAS, a report entitled AWater and Wastewater User Charges and Capacity Fee Rate Study, dated September 7, 1990, was prepared by staff, reviewed by Darby, Sheahen, Weissman, Morgenstern, and Ferrell, P.A., and has been submitted to the Board of County Commissioners documenting and recommending changes to capacity fees and monthly user charges for water and wastewater services, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners should revise special service charges commensurate with the cost of providing water and wastewater service, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners should set industrial pretreatment program fees and charges for the conditions, service and procedures established by Section 12, Ordinance 85-28, as amended, and WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners should set in regular session on August 1, 1990 did authorize a Public Hearing on water and wastewater capacity fees, monthly user charges and special service charges for September 13, 1990, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners did on September 13, 1990 conduct a public Hearing related to the capacity fees, monthly user charges and special service charges and has carefully considered comments from the public, and did continue the Public Hearing to September 27, 1990, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners did on September 27, 1990, hear and consider comments from the public in conjunction with the utility rates, fees, monthly user charges, customer deposits and special user charges and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners should revise monthly user charges and special service charges for water and wastewater service such that the monthly user charges and special service charges are commensurate with cost of providing service and are adequate to meet the covenants contained in Section 11.02 of the 1985 Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AT ITS REGULAR MEETING ASSEMBLED THIS 27th DAY OF September, 1990.

1. The monthly user charges and special service charges for water and wastewater service are hereby amended and the industrial pretreatment charges established as more particularly described in Exhibit A,

Hillsborough County, Florida, Public Utilities Department, Schedule of Fees and Monthly User Charges, Section III.

2. The monthly user charges, special service charges and industrial pretreatment charges as provided for in said exhibit A shall become effective for consumption on the 1st day of October, 1990 with billings for water and wastewater services rendered thereafter by Hillsborough County, beginning November 1, 1990. The monthly user charges and special service charges shall be reviewed annually and adjusted as necessary.

3. The Board of County Commissioners covenants that it will but in effect during the applicable Bond years (as such is defined in the 1985 Resolution and as it relates to the projects financed with the Project Bonds the rates necessary, including base charges, consumption/usage charges, customer service/billing charges and special service charges, so the covenants contained in Section 11.02 of the 1985 Resolution are continually met during such period.

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

I, RICHARD AKE, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND EX OFFICIO CLERK OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING RESOLUTION IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN ITS REGULAR MEETING OF September 27, 1987, AS THE SAME APPEARS ON RECORD IN MINUTE BOOK 172 OF PUBLIC RECORD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Witness, my hand and official seal this 31st day of September, 1990.

RICHARD AKE, CLERK
By: Judith M. Nichele
Deputy Clerk

Attachment to:
Section 03.04.02.00

EXHIBIT A

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA
PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
SCHEDULE OF FEES AND MONTHLY USER CHARGES**

I. WATER SERVICE CAPACITY FEES

IN ACCORDANCE WITH TABLE 1, HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY ORDINANCE 85-28 AS AMENDED.

II. WASTEWATER SERVICE CAPACITY FEES

IN ACCORDANCE WITH TABLE 1, HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY ORDINANCE 85-28 AS AMENDED.

III. MONTHLY USER CHARGES - CUSTOMER, BASE AND CONSUMPTION CHARGES FOR SERVICE

A. ALL CUSTOMER CLASSES

Water Rates / Wastewater Rates

Base + CONSUMPTION Base + Usage Meter Size Charge Charge Charge Charge (3)

5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 3.50	\$1.55 per 1000 gal.	\$ 5.25	\$4.80 per 1000 gal.
1"	8.75	1.55 per 1000 gal.	13.15	4.80 per 1000 gal.
1-1/2"	17.50	1.55 per 1000 gal.	26.25	4.80 per 1000 gal.
2"	28.00	1.55 per 1000 gal.	42.00	4.80 per 1000 gal.
3"	56.00	1.55 per 1000 gal.	84.00	4.80 per 1000 gal.
4"	87.50	1.55 per 1000 gal.	131.25	4.80 per 1000 gal.
6"	175.00	1.55 per 1000 gal.	262.50	4.80 per 1000 gal.
8"	280.00	1.55 per 1000 gal.	420.00	4.80 per 1000 gal.

1. Customer Service/ Billing Charge - \$3.00 is applied to each bill rendered.
2. CONSUMPTION/Usage Charge - Based on consumption of water measured at the water meter.
3. The billable wastewater flow is capped at 8,000 gallons per individually metered residential connection.
4. Where metered water service is not available wastewater billings will be estimated based on approved rates, peak flow defined in the application for service or as otherwise defined in approved policy.

IV. CUSTOMER DEPOSITS

A. RESIDENTIAL, GENERAL AND BUILDER/DEVELOPER CUSTOMER CLASSES

Meter Size Water Wastewater Water and Wastewater

5/8" x 3/4"	\$ 50.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00
1-1/2"	75.00	125.00	150.00
1"	150.00	225.00	375.00
2"	250.00	500.00	600.00
3"	400.00	750.00	1,000.00
4"	1,000.00	2,500.00	3,000.00
6"	1,250.00	3,000.00	4,000.00

8" 2,500.00 4,000.00 6,000.00

Customer deposits are based on two months average billings by customer type and meter size. Customer deposits shall be assessed when new service is initiated.

B. DEPOSIT INCREASES

Customer deposits may be increased to the level of the current deposit(s) provided, or to three times the customer's average monthly bill whichever is greater, for accounts with an unsatisfactory payment record. Board of County Commissioner's policy establishes the specific criteria for applying the deposit increase authority.

V. METER INSTALLATION CHARGES:

Meter Size Charges

5/8" x 3/4" \$ 200.00
5/8" x 3/4" (screw-on) 50.00
1" (screw-on) 325.00
1-1/2" 75.00
1-1/2" (screw-on) 450.00
2" 160.00
2" (screw-on) 550.00
3" 200.00
4" Actual Cost
6" Actual Cost
8" Actual Cost

The meter installation charge covers the cost of materials labor and equipment to tap the water line, install the service line and install the meter and a meter box. The meter and meter service remains the property of the County.

VI. BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE INSTALLATION

Meter Size Charges

5/8" x 3/4" \$ 40.00
1" 45.00
1-1/2" Actual Cost
2" Actual Cost

Dual check backflow prevention devices are required on all residential accounts using reclaimed water or residential irrigation meters. Backflow prevention on commercial accounts are installed at the expense of customer and must be in compliance with County standards.

VII. TEMPORARY - HYDRANT METER SERVICE CHARGES

A. INSTALLATION AND REMOVAL - HYDRANT METER \$ 50.00
B. DEPOSIT 650.00
C. USER CHARGE (Monthly) 3" Water meter rate

VIII. FIRE PROTECTION - READINESS-TO-SERVE CHARGES

A. FIRE HYDRANTS, MONTHLY CHARGE
Monthly Charge

1. Public Fire Hydrants None

2. Private Fire Hydrants \$ 8.00

B. PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM, MONTHLY CHARGE

Size of Service Pipe: Monthly Charge

2-inches and smaller \$ 3.00

3-inches 3.00

4-inches 3.00

6-inches 8.00

7-inches 15.00

10-inches 25.00

12-inches 40.00

A private fire hydrant is a hydrant that is owned and maintained by the County on a County owned water distribution line, but is located outside of the public right-of-way in an easement and principally benefits a private property owner. Each private property owner shall be billed the readiness-to-serve charge on an annual basis.

IX. SPECIAL SERVICE CHARGES

After

Charge Hours *

Transfer Fees within permitted subdivision \$ 45.00 \$

Emergency turn off/on 30.00 45.00

Establishing or transferring account 10.00

First trip for illegal consumption 15.00

Read/turn on for initial service or restoration
of service 15.00 22.50

Reinstall meter, 5/8 thru 1 inch** 30.00 45.00

Reinstall meter, larger than 1 inch** Actual Cost

Not sufficient funds check (per County 15.00

Ordinance 77-2 as amended)

Delinquent collection fee for each attempt 7.50

Re-read meter due to customer obstruction 5.00

Check meter reading (at customer request) 5.00

Bench test meter, 5/8 thru 1 inch (at customer
request) 40.00

Test meter, larger than 1 inch Actual Cost
(at customer request)

Interrupt wastewater service Actual Cost

Restore wastewater service 15.00

Special handling/delinquent and finalized customer 30.00
agreements

Service Availability Fee 50.00

Low Pressure Sewer Collection System Charge 800.00
(per Equivalent Residential Connection)

*Charges will be increased 50% for services between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. on normal working days (Monday thru Friday) and for all hours on holidays and weekends.

**The cost to the customer for relocation, adjustment or replacement after initial installation of mains, fire hydrants, fire services, fire services, service lines, meters and meter boxes will be the actual cost incurred by the County.

X. LINE EXTENSION CHARGES (WATER OR SEWER)

Methods and policy for assessment of cost and charges for water and/or wastewater line extensions are established by Ordinance 85-28 as amended, Sections 5 and 6. The applicant, developer or customer shall pay all costs for the required line extension of County facilities in accordance with approved ordinances. The cost shall include all labor, materials and administrative costs associated with the design, permitting and construction of the required line extension.

XI. INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT CHARGES

The authority for establishing charges associated with the Industrial Pretreatment program is contained in Section 12, ordinance 85-28, as amended.

Accidental discharge review \$ 100.00
Annual audit fee 100.00
Appeal charge 100.00
Industrial investigative charge 100.00 per day
Laboratory services Actual cost
Permit Application Fee 100.00
Sample collections - Flow proportioned sample 100.00
Grab sample 75.00
Time composite sample 35.00

XII. MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

The cost after initial installation to the customer, developer or other party for raising or lowering mains, relocating/adjusting service lines, manholes, fire hydrants, meters and meter and valve boxes due to a change in ground elevation or damage due to negligence will be the actual cost incurred by the County.