

RESOLUTION NO. U.A. 2003-3

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE RATES FOR WATER SERVICE ESTABLISHED IN THE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION NO. U.A. 2001-6, SECTION I A-C , AND THE CUSTOMER CHARGE FOR FIRE FLOW METERS CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION NO. U.A. 2001-2, SECTION I B(1), FOR THE COMMODITY AND FACILITIES FURNISHED BY THE WATER SYSTEM OF FORT PIERCE UTILITIES AUTHORITY, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, ARTICLE XII, SUPERSEDING AND RESCINDING THOSE RATES FOR THE COMMODITY AND FACILITIES FURNISHED BY THE WATER SYSTEM SET FORTH IN RESOLUTIONS NO. U.A. 2001-2 AND 2001-6 OF FORT PIERCE UTILITIES AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

WHEREAS, Fort Pierce Utilities Authority was created and established by the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, through a referendum election held in said City on May 30, 1972; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, Article XII, grants to said Fort Pierce Utilities Authority the power and duty to fix rates to be charged for gas, electricity, water, wastewater (sanitary sewer), and other utility services sold and services rendered by said Fort Pierce Utilities Authority;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by Fort Pierce Utilities Authority (UA), Fort Pierce, Florida:

SECTION I. WATER SERVICE RATE SCHEDULE: The schedule of rates and charges to be imposed for the commodity and facilities furnished by the water system of the UA shall be subject to revision from time to time as may be necessary. Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in this Resolution shall have the meanings specified in the resolution entitled General Rules and Regulations Governing the Provision of Utility Service. The schedule thereof, which shall be applicable to all water service within the territory served by the UA, with the exception of certain authorized contracts, shall be implemented as follows:

A. MONTHLY RATE (Effective October 1, 2000): The monthly Customer Charge, the usage rates, and the quantities of water included in the Customer Charge will be determined by the serving water meter size as indicated below:

(1) Customer (Readiness-to-Serve) Charge

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Customer Charge</u>	<u>Gallons Included In Customer Charge</u>
5/8 x 3/4 inch	\$ 16.40	3,000
1 inch	37.29	6,000
1 1/2 inch	74.59	12,000
2 inch	116.45	18,000
3 inch	237.72	38,000
4 inch	353.83	52,000
6 inch	710.05	105,000
8 inch	1,164.53	180,000
10 inch	1,629.52	240,000

The Customer Charge for fire flow meters will be the Customer Charge for the required equivalent domestic meter size, excluding fire flow. When flow meters are replaced, the Customer Charge will remain the same if the replacement meter is equivalent in flow characteristics to the original meter.

(2) Volume Charge

For Residential and General Service Customers, all additional water usage in excess of the quantities shown above will be charged on the basis of monthly metered water usage at the rate of \$2.37 per 1,000 gallons (see Conservation Charge for further explanation).

For irrigation Meter customers, all additional usage in excess of the quantities shown above will be charged on the basis of monthly metered water usage at the rate of \$2.37 per 1,000 gallons for water usage up to 10,000 gallons per month, \$2.96 per 1,000 gallons for water usage between 10,001 gallons per month and 15,000 gallons per month, and \$5.03 per 1,000 gallons for water usage over 15,000 gallons per month.

(3) Conservation Charge

For the purpose of promoting water usage conservation, a Conservation Charge for all Residential and General Service Customers served by 5/8 x 3/4 inch water meters is established. The Conservation Charge shall be 1.25 times the Volume

Charge above for water usage over 10,000 gallons per month up to 15,000 gallons per month, and 1.5 times the Volume Charge above for water usage over 15,000 gallons per month.

B. MONTHLY CHARGE FOR UNMETERED FIRE PROTECTION : This will include service to private hydrants, sprinkler systems, hose cabinets, standpipes or any other device used exclusively for fire protection.

The monthly Customer Charge for unmetered, private fire protection shall be:

<u>Service Diameter</u>	<u>Customer Charge Effective 10/1/2000</u>
1 inch	\$ 1.98
2 inch	4.50
3 inch	8.86
4 inch	13.23
6 inch	27.77
8 inch	44.97
10 inch	63.48

C. TAX ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE: The amount computed at the above monthly rate shall be subject to taxes, assessments and surcharges imposed by any governmental authority which are assessed on the basis of Meters or Customers or the price of or revenues from water service sold or volume of water purchased for sale or sold.

A utility tax of 10% shall be added to all rate schedules for service inside the city limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida. The amount will not exceed the limitation established by Subsection 166.231, Florida Statutes.

A surcharge of 25% shall be added to all rate schedules for service provided outside the city limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida. The amount will not exceed the limitation established by Subsection 180.191, Florida Statutes.

D. FRANCHISE FEE: A franchise fee is applied to the charges for utility services (exclusive of any municipal tax) provided to Customers within the jurisdictional limits of each municipal or other governmental body requiring the payment of a fee from the UA pursuant to a franchise ordinance. The franchise fee shall be determined in a manner which reflects the UA's payments to each governmental body based on the provisions of the franchise ordinance.

E. OTHER FACILITIES (FLAT RATE WATER): Any facility using the water system not included in the above categories shall be charged an amount to be determined by the Director of Utilities or his or her authorized representative. This charge will be billed monthly.

SECTION II. This Resolution shall be and become effective on March 4, 2003.

This the 4 day of March , A.D. 2003.

ATTEST: FORT PIERCE UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Secretary

Chairman

Approved for form and correctness:

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Fort Pierce Utilities Authority