

ORDINANCE NO. C-11-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, ENTITLED WATER, WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER, TO PROVIDE FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE INCREASES TO WASTEWATER USER RATES, TAPPING CHARGES, WATER RATES, SPRINKLING METER CHARGES, PRIVATE FIRE SERVICE PROTECTION CHARGES, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM RATES, SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES, SERVICE AVAILABILITY RECONNECTION CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR REVISIONS TO INTEREST PAID ON UTILITY DEPOSITS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale supplies water and sewer services on a regional basis to approximately 250,000 residents of central Broward County; and

WHEREAS, areas provided potable water service and wastewater service by the City include Fort Lauderdale, Port Everglades, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Oakland Park, Sea Ranch Lakes, Wilton Manors, portions of unincorporated Broward County, Davie and Tamarac; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive water and sewer rate study was conducted by Burton & Associates, Inc. for the City which established a plan of rate adjustments and rate structure modifications, which plan was accepted and implemented by the City; and

WHEREAS, said rate study was recently updated and it has been suggested that a rate indexing structure utilizing the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index and a percentage formula be employed in the calculation of rates, fees and charges; and

WHEREAS, the necessity for water main replacement and sewer rehabilitation throughout the City, increased costs associated with security at City utilities, and other ongoing capital needs require an increased level of fund transfers into the capital program; and

WHEREAS, to generate necessary funds for present and future needs, administration, operation and long-range projects under the Water and Sewer Master Plan, it is necessary to increase wastewater user rates, tapping charges, water rates, sprinkling meter charges, private fire service protection charges, service availability charges and service availability reconnection charges; and

WHEREAS, to generate necessary funds for present and future needs, administration, operation and long-range projects in connection with the Stormwater Management Program, it is necessary to increase stormwater management program rates; and

WHEREAS, interest on utility deposits currently paid at the rate of four percent (4%) should be revised to protect the fiscal integrity of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale has notified all customers of this Ordinance through the regular utility billing process, pursuant to Section 180.136, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission deems the proposed amendments to the Code of Ordinances to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That Section 28-76 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 28-76. Wastewater user rates.

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(b) The following schedule of rates and charges shall be imposed for consumers located within the corporate limits that are supplied water by the city and are either receiving wastewater disposal service or have it available for connection from their property to the city sanitary sewer system.

- (1) A fixed monthly charge per water meter supplied by a connection service to a single family residence, multifamily residential dwelling unit, cooperative or condominium apartment, commercial, industrial, institutional, or similar unit, building or complex and each separate municipal or other governmental agency or special type unit, shall be as follows:

Meter Sizes	Wastewater Fixed Monthly Charges 28-76 (b)(1)				
(inches)	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution. *See Note 1	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution. *See Note 1
5/8	\$6.92	\$7.27	\$7.76		
3/4	\$9.86	\$10.35	\$11.05		
1	\$15.75	\$16.54	\$17.66		
1 1/2	\$30.45	\$31.97	\$34.13		
2	\$48.10	\$50.51	\$53.92		
3	\$89.28	\$93.74	\$100.07		
4	\$148.11	\$155.52	\$166.02		
6	\$295.17	\$309.93	\$330.85		
8	\$471.65	\$495.23	\$528.66		
10	\$677.54	\$711.42	\$759.44		
12	\$1,265.80	\$1,329.09	\$1,418.80		
16	\$2,059.96	\$2,162.96	\$2,308.96		

* Note 1: By April 30th of each year, the City Manager shall determine if as of September 30th of the year prior whether projected revenues based on adjusted rates exceed the following five criteria: 1) annual revenues exceed annual expenses, 2) net revenue is at or above 2.0 times annual debt service expenses, 3) there is an operating reserve at least equal to 120 days of operating costs, 4) there is an unrestricted capital reserve of at least \$10 million, and 5) there is replacement and repair funding of at least \$10 million. If there is projected revenue that exceeds these five criteria, the current customers shall receive a proportionate rebate of the excess funds on their water/wastewater bill in the same fiscal year. For purposes of this Note, revenue, expenses, and net revenue are as defined in City Commission Resolution No. 03-29.

- (2) Single family residences, and multifamily residential dwelling units that have separately metered units, shall be charged a wastewater commodity charge for each one thousand (1,000) gallons or fraction thereof of water consumed up to a total of and including twenty thousand (20,000) gallons per month, per unit as follows:

Wastewater Commodity Charges 28-76 (b)(2)						
Block Ranges	Water (per unit)	Wastewater Monthly Usage Charges				
	(1,000 gallons per month X number of dwelling units)	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	<u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>	<u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>
Block 1	0 - 3,000	\$2.55	\$2.68	\$2.86		
Block 2	4,000 - 20,000	\$5.65	\$5.93	\$6.33		
Block 3	>20,000	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Single family residences will not be charged a commodity charge for usage in excess of twenty thousand (20,000) gallons per month.

- (3) Multifamily residential dwelling units that do not have separately metered units, shall be charged a wastewater commodity charge for each one thousand (1,000) gallons or fraction thereof of water consumed up to and including a total of eight thousand (8,000) gallons consumed per month, per unit as follows:

Wastewater Commodity Charges 28-76 (b)(3)						
Block Ranges	Water (per unit)	Wastewater Monthly Usage Charges				
	(1,000 gallons per month X number of dwelling units)	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	<u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>	<u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>
Block 1	0 - 1,000	\$2.55	\$2.68	\$2.86		
Block 2	2,000 – 8,000	\$5.65	\$5.93	\$6.33		
Block 3	>8,000	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Multifamily residences will not be charged a commodity charge for usage in excess of eight thousand (8,000) gallons per month per unit.

- (4) The commodity charge for all other consumers for each one thousand (1,000) gallons or fraction thereof of water consumed shall be as follows:

Wastewater Commodity Charges 28-76 (b) (4)					
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011		
All Usage	\$4.54	\$4.77	\$5.09	<p><u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>	<p><u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>

(5) Except as provided herein, for properties required to connect to new sanitary sewer collection facilities constructed under WaterWorks 2011, in addition to the other rates and charges provided herein, the following schedule or rates and charges shall be imposed:

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(j) To recover a portion of the costs the city incurs to maintain a readiness to serve properties that at one (1) time had active utility service but are currently inactive, on or after August 1, 2009 a service availability charge for both water and sewer will be billed to the property owner upon discontinuance of service.

(1) The service availability charges will remain in effect until an active account is re-established to the property. Service availability charges shall be:

Meter Sizes	Wastewater Service Availability Monthly Charges 28-76 (j) (1)				
(inches)	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	<u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> *See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)	<u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> *See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)
5/8	\$6.92	\$7.27	\$7.76		
3/4	\$9.86	\$10.35	\$11.05		
1	\$15.75	\$16.54	\$17.66		
1 1/2	\$30.45	\$31.97	\$34.13		
2	\$48.10	\$50.51	\$53.92		
3	\$89.28	\$93.74	\$100.07		
4	\$148.11	\$155.52	\$166.02		
6	\$295.17	\$309.93	\$330.85		
8	\$471.65	\$495.23	\$528.66		
10	\$677.54	\$711.42	\$759.44		
12	\$1,265.80	\$1,329.09	\$1,418.80		
16	\$2,059.96	\$2,162.96	\$2,308.96		

(2) In order for a structure or parts of a structure which have facilities for water and sewer service to be disconnected and excused from payment of water and sewer availability charges, the owner of said structure or parts of a structure shall:

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d. Pay the service availability reconnection charge as follows when removing an account from inactive status and placing it on active status:

Service Availability Reconnection Charge 28-76 (j)(2)			
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011
To re-establish active service for both water and sewer for all size meters	\$150.00	\$157.50	\$150.00

SECTION 2. That Section 28-141 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-141. Tapping charges.

(a) Upon the application of the owner or consumer for water service, the following tapping charges shall be paid to cover the cost of the taps and the installation of the service to the property line of the lot to be supplied water service:

Tapping Charges 28-141 (a)				
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	
5/8 by 3/4 -inch tap and service	\$966.07	\$1,014.37	\$1,082.84	<p><u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>
3/4-inch tap and service	\$1,003.89	\$1,054.08	\$1,125.23	
1-inch tap and service	\$1,077.32	\$1,131.19	\$1,207.55	
1 1/2-inch tap and service	\$1,745.01	\$1,832.26	\$1,955.94	
2-inch tap and service	\$2,216.19	\$2,327.00	\$2,484.07	
4-inch meter	\$15,453.92	\$16,226.62	\$17,321.92	
6-inch meter	\$16,741.94	\$17,579.04	\$18,765.63	
				<p><u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>

For sizes greater than a six-inch tap and service, such charges shall be estimated and billed upon a basis of actual cost, including materials, labor, equipment and a percentage allowance for administrative and overhead costs. All tapping and service charges shall be paid in full before the water service is installed.

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SECTION 3. That Section 28-143 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-143. Water rates.

(a) Billing statements shall be submitted monthly or bimonthly to the consumers. The following schedule of rates and charges shall be imposed for the water service furnished by the city for consumers located within the corporate limits:

- (1) A fixed monthly charge per meter against each meter supplied by a connected service to a residential single family residence, multifamily dwelling unit, cooperative or condominium apartment, commercial, industrial, institutional, or similar unit, building or complex and each separate municipal or other governmental agency or special-type unit, as follows:

Meter Sizes (inches)	Water Fixed Monthly Charges 28-143 (a)(1)			On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution. <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution. <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011		
5/8	\$4.71	\$4.95	\$5.28		
3/4	\$6.54	\$6.87	\$7.33		
1	\$10.21	\$10.72	\$11.44		
1 1/2	\$19.38	\$20.35	\$21.72		
2	\$30.39	\$31.91	\$34.06		
3	\$56.07	\$58.87	\$62.84		
4	\$92.75	\$97.39	\$103.96		
6	\$184.46	\$193.68	\$206.75		
8	\$294.51	\$309.24	\$330.11		
10	\$422.90	\$444.05	\$474.02		
12	\$789.74	\$829.23	\$885.20		
16	\$1,284.97	\$1,349.22	\$1,440.29		

- (2) Single family residences shall be assessed a commodity charge for each one thousand (1,000) gallons or fraction thereof recorded per month as follows:

Water Commodity Charges Single-Family Residences 28-143 (a)(2)						
Block Ranges	Water (per unit) (1,000 gallons per month)	Wastewater/Water Monthly Usage Charges				
		Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.
Block 1	0-3,000	\$1.44	\$1.54	\$1.61	<p><u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>	<p><u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>
Block 2	4,000-8,000	\$3.20	\$3.36	\$3.59		
Block 3	9,000-12,000	\$4.00	\$4.20	\$4.48		
Block 4	13,000-20,000	\$5.30	\$5.66	\$6.04		
Block 5	>20,000	\$7.82	\$8.24	\$8.76		

(3) Multifamily residential dwellings having more than one dwelling unit shall be assessed as follows:

**Water Commodity Charges – ~~Single-Family Residences~~ Multifamily Residential Dwelling Units
28-143 (a)(3)**

Block Ranges	Water (per unit) (1,000 gallons per month X number of dwelling units)	Wastewater/Water Monthly Usage Charges				
		Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.
Block 1	0-1,000	\$1.44	\$1.51	\$1.61	<p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>	<p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>
Block 2	2,000-3,000	\$3.20	\$3.36	\$3.59		
Block 3	4,000-5,000	\$4.00	\$4.20	\$4.48		
Block 4	6,000-8,000	\$5.39	\$5.66	\$6.04		
Block 5	>8,000	\$7.82	\$8.21	\$8.76		

(4) All others shall be assessed as follows:

Water Commodity Charges 28-143(a)(4)					
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011		
All Usage	\$3.30	\$3.46	\$3.69	<p><u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>	<p><u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>

(b) As to other municipalities, political subdivisions and privately owned utilities in the county that are financially responsible, as determined by the city commission, which connect to the city's water mains through a master meter or master meters arrangement, all such meters shall be read monthly or bimonthly and statements submitted to each consumer at the following rates and charges:

- (1) A fixed monthly charge per master meter against each master meter connected to the city water system, as follows:

Meter Sizes	Master Meter Water Fixed Monthly Charges 28-143 (b)(1)			On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011		
5/8	\$15.35	\$16.12	\$17.21	*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)	*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)
3/4	\$21.95	\$23.05	\$24.61		
1	\$35.16	\$36.92	\$39.41		
1 1/2	\$68.54	\$71.97	\$76.83		
2	\$108.52	\$113.95	\$121.64		
3	\$201.33	\$211.40	\$225.67		
4	\$334.50	\$351.23	\$374.94		
6	\$667.22	\$700.58	\$747.87		
8	\$1,065.97	\$1,119.27	\$1,194.82		
10	\$1,914.83	\$2,010.57	\$2,146.28		
12	\$3,078.81	\$3,232.75	\$3,450.96		
16	\$5,203.17	\$5,463.33	\$5,832.11		

(2) A commodity charge for each one thousand (1,000) gallons or fraction thereof recorded shall be as follows:

Master Meter 28-143 (b)(2)					
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011		
All Usage	\$3.30	\$3.46	\$3.36	<p><u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>	<p><u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>

(c) ...

(e) To recover a portion of the costs the city incurs to maintain a readiness to serve properties that at one time had active utility service but are currently inactive, on or after August 1, 2009 a service availability charge for both water and sewer will be billed to the property owner upon discontinuance of service.

- (1) The service availability charges will remain in effect until an active account is re-established to the property. Service availability charges shall be:

Meter Sizes	Water Service Availability Monthly Charges 28-143 (e)(1)				
(inches)	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.
5/8	\$4.71	\$4.95	\$5.28	*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)	*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)
3/4	\$6.54	\$6.87	\$7.33		
1	\$10.21	\$10.72	\$11.44		
1 1/2	\$19.38	\$20.35	\$21.73		
2	\$30.39	\$31.91	\$34.06		
3	\$56.07	\$58.87	\$62.84		
4	\$92.75	\$97.39	\$103.96		
6	\$184.46	\$193.68	\$206.75		
8	\$294.51	\$309.24	\$330.11		
10	\$422.90	\$444.05	\$474.02		
12	\$789.74	\$829.23	\$885.20		
16	\$1,284.97	\$1,349.22	\$1,440.29		

- (2) In order for a structure or parts of a structure which have facilities for water and sewer service to be disconnected and excused from payment of water and sewer availability charges, the owner of said structure or parts of a structure shall:

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- d. Pay the service availability reconnection charge as follows when removing an account from inactive status and placing it on active status:

Service Availability Reconnection Charge 28-143 (e)(2)			
	<u>Effective</u> 8/1/2009	<u>Effective</u> 8/1/2010	<u>Effective</u> 10/1/2011
To re-establish active service for both water and sewer for all size meters	\$150.00	\$157.50	<u>\$150.00</u>

SECTION 4. That Section 28-144 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-144. Sprinkling meter charges.

(a) The fixed monthly charge per meter for sprinkling meter services shall be based upon the size of the meter and shall be as follows:

Meter Sizes (inches)	Sprinkling Fixed Monthly Charges 28-144(a)			On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution. *See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution. *See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011		
5/8	\$4.71	\$4.95	\$5.28		
3/4	\$6.54	\$6.87	\$7.33		
1	\$10.21	\$10.72	\$11.44		
1 1/2	\$19.38	\$20.35	\$21.72		
2	\$30.39	\$31.91	\$34.06		
3	\$56.07	\$58.87	\$62.84		
4	\$92.75	\$97.39	\$103.96		
6	\$184.46	\$193.68	\$206.75		
8	\$294.51	\$309.24	\$330.11		
10	\$422.90	\$444.05	\$474.02		
12	\$789.74	\$829.23	\$885.20		
16	\$1,284.97	\$1,349.22	\$1,440.29		

(b) A commodity charge for sprinkling meter services for each one thousand (1,000) gallons or fraction thereof recorded per month shall be as follows:

Commodity Charges - Sprinkling Meter Services 28-144 (b)						
Block Ranges	Water	Water Monthly Usage Charges				
	(1,000 gallons per month X Meter Equivalency Factor)	<u>Effective 8/1/2009</u>	<u>Effective 8/1/2010</u>	<u>Effective 10/1/2011</u>	<u>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u>	<u>On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u>
Block 1	0-12,000	\$4.00	\$4.20	\$4.48		
Block 2	13,000-20,000	\$5.39	\$5.66	\$6.04		
Block 3	>20,000	\$7.82	\$8.21	\$8.76		
					<u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>	<u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u>

Meter Equivalency Factor 28-144(b)	
Meter Size (inches)	Factor
5/8	1.00
3/4	1.50
1	2.50
1 1/2	5.00
2	8.00
3	15.00
4	25.00
6	50.00
8	80.00
10	115.00
12	215.00

SECTION 5. That Section 28-145 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-145. Private fire service protection.

(a) The fixed monthly charge for special private fire service protection shall be based upon the size of the fire service line connected within the city's water distribution system as follows:

Meter Sizes	Fire Service Fixed Monthly Charges 28-145 (a)			
(inches)	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	
5/8	\$4.74	\$4.95		<p>On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</p> <p><u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u></p>
3/4	\$6.54	\$6.87		
4	\$10.24	\$10.72		
1 1/2	\$19.38	\$20.35		
2	\$30.39	\$31.91	\$34.06	
3	\$56.07	\$58.87	\$62.84	
4	\$92.75	\$97.39	\$103.96	
6	\$184.46	\$193.68	\$206.75	
8	\$294.54	\$309.24	\$330.11	
10	\$422.90	\$444.05	\$474.02	
12	\$789.74	\$829.23	\$885.20	
16	\$1,284.97	\$1,349.22	\$1,440.29	

(b) . . .

(c) Upon the application of the owner or consumer for private fire service, tapping charges shall be paid as follows:

Fire Service Tapping Charges 28-145 (c)					
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	Effective 10/1/2011	On 10/1/2012 charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment plus 1.75% or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.	On 10/1/2013, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.
2-inch tap and service	\$2,653.59	\$2,786.27	\$2,974.34	*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)	*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)
4-inch tap and service	\$6,272.13	\$6,585.74	\$7,030.28		
6-inch tap and service	\$6,995.86	\$7,345.65	\$7,841.48		
8-inch tap and service	\$10,131.92	\$10,638.52	\$11,356.62		

For sizes greater than an eight-inch tap and service, such charges shall be estimated and billed upon a basis of actual cost, including materials, labor, equipment and a percentage allowance for administrative and overhead costs. All tapping and service charges shall be paid in full before the fire service is installed.

SECTION 6. That Section 28-189 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-189. Interest on deposits.

~~Not less than once per year, interest shall be credited to the customers account at the rate of four (4) percent simple interest. Said interest shall be computed and credited to the customer's account based upon the balance of the deposit on hand for that account. At the convenience of the city, interest may be credited to the account more frequently, however the amount paid shall not exceed four (4) percent simple interest computed upon the available deposit on the account. No person, business or other entity shall be entitled to interest payments on any deposit made under this division or pursuant to Sec. 24-51 of this Code.~~

SECTION 7. That Section 28-197 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-197. Stormwater management program rates.

The stormwater management program rates shall be as follows:

Customer Category	Monthly Stormwater Management Rate 28-197		
	Effective 8/1/2009	Effective 8/1/2010	
Category I - Per unit	\$3.36	\$3.53	<p style="text-align: center;"> <u>On 10/1/2012, and October 1 of each year thereafter, charges shall be adjusted by multiplying the prior year's charge by the percentage listed in the U.S. Consumer Price Index Water and Sewerage Maintenance Index as determined in May of the calendar year of the adjustment or by 5%, whichever is greater, as established and adopted by resolution.</u> </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <u>*See Note 1 at Sec. 28-76 (b)(1)</u> </p>
Category II - Per acre	\$34.00	\$35.70	
Category III - Per acre	\$10.78	\$11.32	


SECTION 8. That if any clause, section or other part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect October 1, 2011.


PASSED FIRST READING this the 7th day of September, 2011.

PASSED SECOND READING this the 20th day of September, 2011.



Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

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