

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-030

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA, CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN RESOLUTION NO. 2024-026 REFERENCING EXHIBIT C OF THE ADOPTED FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 SCHEDULE OF FEES; PROVIDING THAT THE WATER SYSTEM CONNECTION CHARGES ARE NOT CLASSIFIED AS IMPACT FEES, AND THAT THE SEWER CONNECTION CHARGES ARE NOT CLASSIFIED AS IMPACT FEES, AND ADDING IRRIGATION METER INSTALLATION FEES SET AT TIME AND MATERIAL PLUS 25%; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town held its second budget public hearing on September 18, 2024 and adopted the Resolution for the Schedule of Fees for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

WHEREAS, a scrivener's error included the classification of Water System Connection Charges as Impact Fees, and the classification of Sewer Connection Charges as Impact Fees. The phrase "impact fees" has been redacted as it does not apply to the standard connection charges.

WHEREAS, the addition of Irrigation Meter Installation Fees is required and set at cost set at Time and Material Plus 25%.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The "Town of Highland Beach Water and Sewer Schedule of Fees," which are attached as **Exhibit "C"** and incorporated herein, is hereby adopted.

Section 3. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

<u>Section 4.</u> If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are declared severable.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective upon approval by Town Commission.

DONE AND ADOPTED by the Town Commission of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, this 1st day of **October 2024**.

ATTEST:

Natasha Moore, Mayor

REVIEWED FOR LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

Lanelda Gaskins, MMC Town Clerk Leonard G. Rubin, Town Attorney Town of Highland Beach

VOTES:

YES NO

Mayor Natasha Moore Vice Mayor David Stern Commissioner Evalyn David Commissioner Donald Peters Commissioner Judith M. Goldberg

EXHIBIT "C"

TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH SCHEDULE OF FEES EFFECTIVE 10/01/2024 – 09/30/2025

II.

III.

I. <u>WATER USE RATES</u>

a. Water & Irrigation Flat Rate Charge (Bi-Monthly) unit	\$56.97 per dwelling
 b. <u>All Customers Bi-Monthly Usage Charges (per dwelling</u> i. 0 to 10,000 gallons gallons 	<u>ng unit)</u> \$3.03 per 1,000
ii. 10,001to 20,000 gallons	\$4.11 per 1,000
gallons iii. 20,001 to and 55,000 gallons gallons	\$6.36 per 1,000
iv. 55,001 gallons to 80,000 gallons	\$9.26 per 1,000
gallons v. Over 80,000 gallons gallons	\$12.11 per 1,000
 c. <u>Irrigation Class Bi-Monthly Usage Charges (per meter</u> i. 0 to 55,000 gallons 	<u>·) *</u> \$6.36 per 1,000
gallons ii. 55,001 to 80,000 gallons	\$9.26 per 1,000
gallons iii. Over 80,000 gallons gallons	\$12.11 per 1,000
* Subject to flat charge plus usage charges	
SEWER USE RATES	
a. Sewer Flat Rate Charge (Bi-Monthly) unit	\$43.62 per dwelling
i. Bi-Monthly Usage Charges* (per dwelling unit) gallons of water usage to a maximum of 20,000 g	
ii. Commercial customers* gallons of water usage with no maximum.	\$3.55 per 1,000
* Subject to flat charge plus usage charges	
PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION	
a Fire Hydropts	\$25.66 auch par

a.	Fire Hydrants	\$25.66 each per
	month	
b.	Standpipes/Sprinkler System	\$25.66 each per

month

IV. GENERAL CUSTOMER BILLING

- a. Water and Sewer usage charges will be billed bi-monthly.
- b. Payment remittance is due within 30 days of the billing date.
- c. Accounts more than 30 days are considered delinquent.
- d. Delinquent accounts will be subject to an additional 1.5% per month (18% annum) delinquency charge.
- e. Notice of such delinquency will be given by the Town; and if not corrected within 10 days of said notice, water service will be disconnected.
- f. Water service will not be reconnected until the delinquent bill and a fifty-dollar (\$50.00) reconnection fee is paid.
- g. Meters may be tested for accuracy upon written request from the customer. However, the customer will be subject to the expense of the test if the meter is found to be not more than 2% fast.
- h. In the event of a water leak occurring on the consumer's side of the meter, the Town Manager may offer a one-time courtesy adjustment to provide financial relief to a consumer who is experiencing a higher than usual water bill. To be considered for this courtesy adjustment:
 - i. The water bill in question must not be from the billing period more than two billing cycles prior.
 - ii. The consumer must not have used a courtesy adjustment in the past, and
- iii. The consumer must demonstrate that they have repaired the water leak (i.e. plumber's invoice for repairs).

If a consumer is granted a courtesy adjustment, the Town will estimate (by comparing historical usage of the account) the amount of the water leak and deduct it from the consumer's total usage for the billing period. The difference between the total usage and the water leak portion will be considered the consumer's regular usage for the billing period and will be billed according to the rate structure provided in Section VI. The estimated water leak portion of usage for the billing period will be adjusted and billed at the lowest tiered rate provided in Section VI.

Notwithstanding the above, the town manager in his or her discretion will have the flexibility to allow up to four (4) installment payments of bills which are unusually high as measured by past bills for the property in question. The town manager's discretion will be on a case-by-case basis using his or her best judgment as each case arises.

V. <u>WATER SYSTEM CONNECTION CHARGES (IMPACT FEES)</u>

- a. <u>New Dwellings</u>
 - i. Connection Charge

\$3,000 per dwelling unit

ii. Meter Installation Fees

Time and Material plus 25%

b. Irrigationi. Meter Installation Fees

Time and Material plus 25%

VI. <u>SEWER SYSTEM CONNECTION CHARGES (IMPACT FEES)</u>

- a. <u>New Dwellings</u>
- i. Connection Charge

\$1,000 per dwelling unit

VII. FIELD VISIT CHARGE

The Town may charge a fee to each customer requesting a service to be performed by a Town employee at their premises with respect to the water or wastewater systems. The services to be performed shall include, but not be limited to, individual turn-on and turn-off of service, data-logging a meter, and meter rereading. The Town will waive this fee in any instance where the meter is determined to be faulty. There shall be no charge for the first field visit.

a.	During Normal Working Hours	\$32.08
b.	Outside Normal Working Hours	\$64.15