



Town of _____

Micanopy

Florida

December 9, 2025

AGENDA ITEM – Water Rate Resolution

Subject: Resolution Establishing Water Rates for Fiscal Year 2025–2026

Background:

Throughout the FY25–26 budget development process, the Town Commission held multiple discussions regarding the need to adjust the Town’s water rates. As noted during those discussions, the rates currently in effect remained unchanged for approximately 18 years. This resulted in a significant gap between the Town’s operational needs and the revenues necessary to adequately support maintenance, regulatory compliance, and long-term system sustainability.

During budget preparation, staff evaluated both current and proposed rates alongside those of other small municipal water systems. The analysis demonstrated that the Town’s proposed rate structure is consistent with what customers pay in similar-sized communities across the region.

Staff also discussed with the Commission that this fiscal year represents the final year of a multi-year “catch-up” adjustment. Florida Rural Water originally recommended that the Town implement two 50% increases to correct the long-standing rate stagnation. The Commission instead opted for a more moderate approach—two 25% increases—resulting in a phased and predictable transition for customers.

Current Action:

The attached resolution formalizes the water rates on which the FY25–26 budget was developed. No new rate increase is being proposed beyond what has already been discussed and incorporated into the adopted budget.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the attached resolution establishing the water rates for Fiscal Year 2025–2026, consistent with prior Commission direction.

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RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2025-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MICANOPY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO WATER SERVICE WITHIN THE TOWN OF MICANOPY; AMENDING THE PRIOR ESTABLISHED RATES TO INCREASE THE RATES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Town of Micanopy provides water service to residential and commercial customers located within its water service territory; and

WHEREAS, the current residential customer and commercial charges for water services are not adequate for providing such services; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 35, Section 35-35 of the Town’s Code of Ordinances requires such rates be changed by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission, being fully advised of the facts and circumstances, hereby finds it necessary and in the interest of prudent management of public assets and business affairs to increase the current residential customer and commercial charges for water; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF MICANOPY, FLORIDA, as follows:

SECTION ONE: The water rates are hereby amended as set forth below, representing an approximately twenty-five (25) percent increase from the present rates:

Residential base rate: \$31.36

Commercial base rate: \$31.36

Water Usage Rates	Residential Rates	Commercial Rates
0 to 1,000 Gallons	\$3.43	\$3.43
1,001 to 2000 Gallons	\$3.85	\$3.85
2,001 to 3,000 Gallons	\$4.26	\$4.26
3,001 to 4,000 Gallons	\$4.69	\$4.69
4,001 to 5,000 Gallons	\$5.13	\$5.13
5,001 to 6,000 Gallons	\$5.55	\$5.55
6,001 to 7,000 Gallons	\$6.83	\$6.83
7,001 to 8,000 Gallons	\$7.69	\$7.69
8,001 to 9,000 Gallons	\$8.54	\$8.54
9,001 to 10,000 Gallons	\$9.39	\$9.39
10,001 Gallons or more	\$10.25	\$10.25

SECTION TWO: All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

SECTION THREE: If any section or portion of a section of this Resolution proves to be invalid, unlawful or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force or effect of any other section or part of this Resolution.

SECTION FOUR: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption and customers will have the new rates applied to the January 2026 billing cycle.

ADOPTED, by an affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum present of the Town Commission of the Town of Micanopy, Florida, at a regular meeting, this 9th day of December, 2025.

ATTEST:

Sara Samario, Town Administrator

Jiana Williams, Mayor

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

A. Derek Folds, City Attorney