

ORDINANCE NO. 9841-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA, AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCES, APPENDIX A – SCHEDULE OF FEES, RATES AND CHARGES, ARTICLE XXIV PUBLIC WORKS – FEES, RATES AND CHARGES; AMENDING SECTION 3(a)1. DOMESTIC WATER RATES; AMENDING SECTION 3(a)2. LAWN WATER METERS; AMENDING SECTION 3(b)1. WASTEWATER COLLECTION RATES; AMENDING SECTION 3(f) RECLAIMED WATER RATES; AMENDING SECTIONS (3)(a)7. AND (3)(b)6. TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION’S RATE INDEX; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Appendix A, Article XXIV sets forth the schedule of fees, rates, and charges to be paid by customers of the City’s water, wastewater collection, and reclaimed water systems;

WHEREAS, in July 2025, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. completed a Water and Sewer Rate Study Analysis (“Study”), which evaluated the sufficiency of the revenues provided by existing water, wastewater collection, and reclaimed water rates;

WHEREAS, the Study recommends increases to domestic water rates, lawn water rates, wastewater collection rates, and reclaimed water rates.

WHEREAS, the Study noted that while the previously adopted 3% annual increase was sufficient for past fiscal years, recent increases in capital costs, borrowing levels, and operating costs necessitate an increase in these rates;

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Department conducted an internal review of the Study and recommends increases to these rates in order to sustainably fund the currently identified infrastructure needs and to maintain safe and reliable drinking water, reclaimed water, and wastewater services for the City’s customers;

WHEREAS, after a properly noticed public hearing, the City Council determines that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1: Appendix A, Article XXIV, Section (3)(a)1. of the City of Clearwater Code of Ordinances, is amended with the current table therein being deleted and replaced with a new one as described below. The following underlined language shall be added and the strikethrough language shall be deleted as follows:

(3) Rates:**(a) Water rates.** Water rates for all water furnished by the city shall be as follows:

1. Domestic water rates shall be a monthly fee as provided in the table below based on the meter size and volume allowance, with an additional charge per 1,000 gallons of water consumed over the allowance per the table below. Such rates will take effect for bills issued on or after the dates shown in the following table, and shall remain in effect thereafter unless amended:

Meter Size	October 1, 2022	October 1, 2023	October 1, 2024	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2026
Under 1 inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 3,000 gallons	\$25.80	\$26.58	\$27.39	\$28.20	\$29.04
Plus, from 3,001 to 9,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 9,001 gallons up, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
1 inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 7,000 gallons	\$60.20	\$62.02	\$63.91	\$65.80	\$67.76
Plus, from 7,001 to 40,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 40,001 gallons up, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
1½ inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 100,000 gallons	\$860.00	\$886.00	\$913.00	\$940.00	\$968.00
Plus, from 100,001 to 140,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 140,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
2 inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 233,000 gallons	\$2,003.80	\$2,064.38	\$2,127.29	\$2,190.20	\$2,255.44

Plus, from 233,001 to 343,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 343,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
3 inch or 2 inch in manifold:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 359,000 gallons	\$3,087.40	\$3,180.74	\$3,277.67	\$3,374.60	\$3,475.12
Plus, from 359,001 to 474,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 474,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
4 inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 691,000 gallons	\$5,942.60	\$6,122.26	\$6,308.83	\$6,495.40	\$6,688.88
Plus, from 691,001 to 979,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 979,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
6 inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 1,775,000 gallons	\$15,265.00	\$15,726.50	\$16,205.75	\$16,685.00	\$17,182.00
Plus, from 1,775,001 to 2,025,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 2,025,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84
8 inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 3,000,000 gallons	\$25,800.00	\$26,580.00	\$27,390.00	\$28,200.00	\$29,040.00
Plus, from 3,000,001 to 3,413,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	10.46	10.78	11.10	11.44	11.78
Plus, from 3,413,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	13.18	13.58	13.99	14.41	14.84

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>October 1, 2025</u>	<u>October 1, 2026</u>	<u>October 1, 2027</u>	<u>October 1, 2028</u>	<u>October 1, 2029</u>
<u>Under 1-inch:</u>					
<u>Base service charge with allowance up to 3,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$29.58</u>	<u>\$31.95</u>	<u>\$34.50</u>	<u>\$37.26</u>	<u>\$40.23</u>
<u>Plus, from 3,001 to 9,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
<u>Plus, from 9,001 gallons up, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
<u>1-inch:</u>					
<u>Base service charge with allowance up to 7,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$69.02</u>	<u>\$74.55</u>	<u>\$80.50</u>	<u>\$86.94</u>	<u>\$93.97</u>
<u>Plus, from 7,001 to 40,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
<u>Plus, from 40,001 gallons up, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
<u>1½-inch:</u>					
<u>Base service charge with allowance up to 100,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$986.00</u>	<u>\$1,065.00</u>	<u>\$1,150.00</u>	<u>\$1,242.00</u>	<u>\$1,341.00</u>
<u>Plus, from 100,001 to 140,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
<u>Plus, from 140,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
<u>2-inch:</u>					
<u>Base service charge with allowance up to 233,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$2,297.38</u>	<u>\$2,481.45</u>	<u>\$2,679.50</u>	<u>\$2,893.86</u>	<u>\$3,124.53</u>
<u>Plus, from 233,001 to 343,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
<u>Plus, from 343,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
<u>3-inch or 2-inch in manifold:</u>					
<u>Base service charge with allowance up to 359,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$3,539.74</u>	<u>\$3,823.35</u>	<u>\$4,128.50</u>	<u>\$4,458.78</u>	<u>\$4,814.19</u>

Plus, from 359,001 to 474,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
Plus, from 474,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
4-inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 691,000 gallons	<u>\$6,813.26</u>	<u>\$7,359.15</u>	<u>\$7,946.50</u>	<u>\$8,582.22</u>	<u>\$9,266.31</u>
Plus, from 691,001 to 979,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
Plus, from 979,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
6-inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 1,775,000 gallons	<u>\$17,501.50</u>	<u>\$18,903.75</u>	<u>\$20,412.50</u>	<u>\$22,045.50</u>	<u>\$23,802.75</u>
Plus, from 1,775,001 to 2,025,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
Plus, from 2,025,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>
8-inch:					
Base service charge with allowance up to 3,000,000 gallons	<u>\$29,580.00</u>	<u>\$31,950.00</u>	<u>\$34,500.00</u>	<u>\$37,260.00</u>	<u>\$40,230.00</u>
Plus, from 3,000,001 to 3,413,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$11.99</u>	<u>\$12.95</u>	<u>\$13.99</u>	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>
Plus, from 3,413,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$15.11</u>	<u>\$16.32</u>	<u>\$17.63</u>	<u>\$19.04</u>	<u>\$20.56</u>

SECTION 2: Appendix A, Article XXIV, Section (3)(a)2. of the City of Clearwater Code of Ordinances, is amended with the current table therein being deleted and replaced with a new one as described below. The following underlined language shall be added and the strikethrough language shall be deleted as follows:

2. *Lawn water meters.* Lawn water rates shall be as follows and will take effect for bills issued on or after the dates specified:

Meter Size	October 1, 2022	October 1, 2023	October 1, 2024	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2026
Under 1 inch:					
Base service, with no usage allowance	\$9.21	\$9.48	\$9.77	\$10.06	\$10.36
Plus, up to 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61
Plus, from 2,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38
1 inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	\$27.62	\$28.45	\$29.31	\$30.19	\$31.09
Plus, up to 7,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61
Plus, from 7,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38
1½ inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	\$138.23	\$142.37	\$146.64	\$151.04	\$155.57
Plus, up to 9,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61
Plus, from 9,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38
2 inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	\$387.05	\$398.67	\$410.62	\$422.94	\$435.63
Plus, up to 40,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61
Plus, from 40,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38
3 inch or two 2 inch in manifold:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	\$764.86	\$787.80	\$811.44	\$835.78	\$860.85
Plus, up to 100,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61

Plus, from 100,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38
4-inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	\$1,474.45	\$1,518.68	\$1,564.24	\$1,611.17	\$1,659.50
Plus, up to 233,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61
Plus, from 233,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38
6-inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	\$4,450.98	\$4,584.51	\$4,722.04	\$4,863.71	\$5,009.62
Plus, up to 359,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	11.21	11.54	11.89	12.25	12.61
Plus, from 359,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	15.44	15.90	16.38	16.87	17.38

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>October 1, 2025</u>	<u>October 1, 2026</u>	<u>October 1, 2027</u>	<u>October 1, 2028</u>	<u>October 1, 2029</u>
<u>Under 1-inch:</u>					
<u>Base service, with no usage allowance</u>	<u>\$10.55</u>	<u>\$11.39</u>	<u>\$12.30</u>	<u>\$13.28</u>	<u>\$14.34</u>
<u>Plus, up to 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>
<u>Plus, from 2,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
<u>1-inch:</u>					
<u>Base service charge, with no usage allowance</u>	<u>\$31.65</u>	<u>\$34.18</u>	<u>\$36.91</u>	<u>\$39.86</u>	<u>\$43.05</u>
<u>Plus, up to 7,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>
<u>Plus, from 7,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons</u>	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
<u>1½-inch:</u>					

Base service charge, with no usage allowance	<u>\$158.37</u>	<u>\$171.04</u>	<u>\$184.72</u>	<u>\$199.50</u>	<u>\$215.46</u>
Plus, up to 9,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>
Plus, from 9,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
2-inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	<u>\$443.47</u>	<u>\$478.95</u>	<u>\$517.27</u>	<u>\$558.65</u>	<u>\$603.34</u>
Plus, up to 40,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>
Plus, from 40,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
3-inch or two 2-inch in manifold:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	<u>\$876.36</u>	<u>\$946.47</u>	<u>\$1022.19</u>	<u>\$1103.97</u>	<u>\$1192.29</u>
Plus, up to 100,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>
Plus, from 100,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
4-inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	<u>\$1689.38</u>	<u>\$1824.53</u>	<u>\$1970.49</u>	<u>\$2128.13</u>	<u>\$2298.38</u>
Plus, up to 233,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>
Plus, from 233,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
6-inch:					
Base service charge, with no usage allowance	<u>\$5099.80</u>	<u>\$5507.78</u>	<u>\$5948.40</u>	<u>\$6424.27</u>	<u>\$6938.21</u>
Plus, up to 359,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$12.84</u>	<u>\$13.87</u>	<u>\$14.98</u>	<u>\$16.18</u>	<u>\$17.47</u>

Plus, from 359,001 gallons, per 1,000 gallons	<u>\$17.69</u>	<u>\$19.11</u>	<u>\$20.64</u>	<u>\$22.29</u>	<u>\$24.07</u>
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SECTION 3: Appendix A, Article XXIV, Section (3)(b)1. of the City of Clearwater Code of Ordinances, is amended with the current table therein being deleted and replaced with a new one as described below. The following underlined language shall be added and the strikethrough language shall be deleted as follows:

(b) Wastewater collection utility rates.

1. There is hereby established a uniform schedule of rates and charges for the availability of use of the wastewater collection system. The wastewater collection utility rate shall be a monthly fee, as provided in the table below, based on the meter size and volume allowance of domestic water, with an additional charge per 1,000 gallons of water consumed over the allowance per the table below. Such rates shall take effect for bills issued on or after the dates as shown in the following table, and shall remain in effect thereafter unless amended:

Base Monthly Charge With or Without Consumption						
Size of Meter	October 1, 2022	October 1, 2023	October 1, 2024	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2026	Allowance (gallons)
Under 1 inch	<u>\$35.55</u>	<u>\$36.60</u>	<u>\$37.71</u>	<u>\$38.85</u>	<u>\$39.99</u>	3,000 or less
1 inch	<u>82.95</u>	<u>85.40</u>	<u>87.99</u>	<u>90.65</u>	<u>93.31</u>	7,000 or less
1½ inch	<u>1,185.00</u>	<u>1,220.00</u>	<u>1,257.00</u>	<u>1,295.00</u>	<u>1,333.00</u>	100,000 or less
2 inch	<u>2,761.05</u>	<u>2,842.60</u>	<u>2,928.81</u>	<u>3,017.35</u>	<u>3,105.89</u>	233,000 or less
3 inch or two 2-inch manifold	<u>4,254.15</u>	<u>4,379.80</u>	<u>4,512.63</u>	<u>4,649.05</u>	<u>4,785.47</u>	359,000 or less
4 inch	<u>8,188.35</u>	<u>8,430.20</u>	<u>8,685.87</u>	<u>8,948.45</u>	<u>9,211.03</u>	691,000 or less
6 inch	<u>21,033.75</u>	<u>21,655.00</u>	<u>22,311.75</u>	<u>22,986.25</u>	<u>23,660.75</u>	1,775,000 or less
8 inch	<u>35,550.00</u>	<u>36,600.00</u>	<u>37,710.00</u>	<u>38,850.00</u>	<u>39,990.00</u>	3,000,000 or less

~~Charge per 1,000 gallons of water used over the allowance~~	~~11.85~~	~~12.20~~	~~12.57~~	~~12.95~~	~~13.33~~	
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<u>Base Monthly Charge With or Without Consumption</u>						
<u>Size of Meter</u>	<u>October 1, 2025</u>	<u>October 1, 2026</u>	<u>October 1, 2027</u>	<u>October 1, 2028</u>	<u>October 1, 2029</u>	<u>Allowance (gallons)</u>
<u>Under 1- inch</u>	<u>\$34.73</u>	<u>\$37.51</u>	<u>\$40.51</u>	<u>\$43.75</u>	<u>\$47.25</u>	<u>3,000 or less</u>
<u>1-inch</u>	<u>\$95.03</u>	<u>\$102.63</u>	<u>\$110.84</u>	<u>\$119.71</u>	<u>\$129.29</u>	<u>7,000 or less</u>
<u>1½-inch</u>	<u>\$1,357.56</u>	<u>\$1,466.16</u>	<u>\$1,583.45</u>	<u>\$1,710.13</u>	<u>\$1,846.94</u>	<u>100,000 or less</u>
<u>2-inch</u>	<u>\$3,163.11</u>	<u>\$3,416.16</u>	<u>\$3,689.45</u>	<u>\$3,984.61</u>	<u>\$4,303.38</u>	<u>233,000 or less</u>
<u>3-inch or two 2-inch manifold</u>	<u>\$4,873.64</u>	<u>\$5,263.53</u>	<u>\$5,684.61</u>	<u>\$6,139.38</u>	<u>\$6,630.53</u>	<u>359,000 or less</u>
<u>4-inch</u>	<u>\$9,380.74</u>	<u>\$10,131.20</u>	<u>\$10,941.70</u>	<u>\$11,817.04</u>	<u>\$12,762.40</u>	<u>691,000 or less</u>
<u>6-inch</u>	<u>\$24,096.69</u>	<u>\$26,024.43</u>	<u>\$28,106.38</u>	<u>\$30,354.89</u>	<u>\$32,783.28</u>	<u>1,775,000 or less</u>
<u>8-inch</u>	<u>\$40,726.80</u>	<u>\$43,984.94</u>	<u>\$47,503.74</u>	<u>\$51,304.04</u>	<u>\$55,408.36</u>	<u>3,000,000 or less</u>
<u>Charge per 1,000 gallons of water used over the allowance</u>	<u>\$13.58</u>	<u>\$14.67</u>	<u>\$15.84</u>	<u>\$17.11</u>	<u>\$18.48</u>	

SECTION 4: Appendix A, Article XXIV, Section 3(f) of the City of Clearwater Code of Ordinances, is amended with the current table therein being deleted and replaced with a new one as described below. The following underlined language shall be added and the strikethrough language shall be deleted as follows:

- (f) *Reclaimed water rates.* There is hereby established a uniform schedule of rates and charges for the use or availability of use of the reclaimed water system. The reclaimed water rate shall be a monthly fee consisting of an availability charge as the basic allowance in the following table, plus a charge per 1,000 gallons of reclaimed water consumed as indicated. Such rates shall take effect for bills issued on or after dates as shown in the following table, and shall remain in effect thereafter unless amended:

	October 1, 2022	October 1, 2023	October 1, 2024	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2026
Single-family, duplex or triplex (per domestic water account), commercial/industrial or multi-family dwelling and open space					
Availability charge	\$17.71	\$18.24	\$18.78	\$19.35	\$19.93
Usage—Metered per 1,000 gallons used	1.47	1.52	1.56	1.61	1.66

	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2026	October 1, 2027	October 1, 2028	October 1, 2029
Single-family, duplex or triplex (per domestic water account), commercial/industrial or multi-family dwelling and open space					
Availability charge	\$20.28	\$21.90	\$23.65	\$25.54	\$27.58
Usage—Metered per 1,000 gallons used	\$1.68	\$1.81	\$1.95	\$2.11	\$2.28

SECTION 5: Appendix A, Article XXIV, Sections (3)(a)7. and (3)(b)6. of the City of Clearwater Code of Ordinances, are amended with the following underlined language to be added and the strikethrough language to be deleted as follows:

(3) Rates:

(a) Water rates.

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7. Annual indexing adjustment of water rates and lawn water rates. Water and lawn water rates may be adjusted annually in accordance with the tables herein. ~~on October 1 based on the Price Index for Water and Wastewater Utilities established each year by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). The maximum rate adjustment based on the Price Index for Water and Wastewater Utilities is 3.5 percent. Such rate adjustment~~ Any other rate adjustment shall be recommended by the city manager for approval by the city council by ordinance.

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(b) Wastewater collection utility rates.

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6. Annual indexing adjustment of wastewater collection utility rates. Wastewater collection utility rates may be adjusted annually in accordance with the tables herein. ~~on October 1 based on the Price Index for Water and Wastewater Utilities established each year by the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC). The maximum rate adjustment based on the Price Index for Water and Wastewater Utilities is 3.5 percent. Such rate adjustment~~ Any other rate adjustment shall be recommended by the city manager for approval by the city council by ordinance.

SECTION 6: Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections, or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7: This Ordinance shall become effective immediately after the adoption by City Council.

PASSED ON FIRST READING

September 4, 2025

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL
READING AND ADOPTED

September 18, 2025

Signed by:

Bruce Rector

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Mayor

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