

Meeting Date: 2/22/2011



Agenda Item # 7-A

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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- Type of Item:**
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Public Hearing           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Resolution          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ordinance First Reading  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Discussion & Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ordinance Second Reading | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Council Approval    |

**Subject:** Resolution 633-11 Utility: Miscellaneous Service Charges

**BACKGROUND:**

With the adoption of Ordinance 448, providing for credit checks and potential reduction of deposit requirements, it is necessary to revise Orange City Utilities Miscellaneous Service Charges.

Modifications include establishing:

1. Percentages for possible deposit reduction for favorable credit checks.  
 Bad or no credit = full deposit required, Good credit = 50% deposit required with active ACH,  
 Outstanding credit = no deposit with active ACH. (ACH = Automatic Payment Application)
2. Five dollar (\$5) charge for active accounts to request credit review for potential deposit reduction (any refund would be applied to account).

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Approve Resolution 633-11.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Resolution 633-11 and Exhibit "A".

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Coverage of expenses for requests from existing account holders.

**Reviewed by City Attorney** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Reviewed by Finance Dept.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Reviewed by:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Discussion Date:</b> 2/8/2011	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Discussion Date:</b> date.	<b>Third Discussion Date:</b> date.	<b>Other Dates:</b> date.
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**RESOLUTION NO. 633-11**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A REVISED MISCELLANEOUS FEE SCHEDULE FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE PROVIDED BY ORANGE CITY UTILITIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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**WHEREAS**, the laws of the State of Florida and the City Code empower the City Council to operate water and wastewater utilities, and to establish and/or revise charges to its utility customers as are necessary in the operations of same; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 17.3-24 of the Orange City Code provides that the City Council may review and update the rates and charges by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, resolution 598-10 previously adopted a miscellaneous fee schedule which the city council wishes to revise by this resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of Resolution 633-11 provides authorization to assess utility customers credit risk and thereby potentially alter the required deposit to open a new utility account.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA:**

**SECTION 1.** That the City Council of the City of Orange City adopts the miscellaneous fee schedule set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein for all intents and purposes.

**SECTION 2.** That Resolution 598-10 is hereby amended.

**SECTION 3.** Implementation procedures of this Resolution shall begin immediately upon adoption by the City Council of the City of Orange City. An effective date shall be established as the date two weeks (fourteen days) after contract enactment.

**SECTION 4.** All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

**RESOLUTION 633-11**

**ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:**

Gary A. Blair	_____	Jeff Allebach	_____
Bill Crippen, Vice Mayor	_____	Tom Abraham	_____
Anthony Pupello	_____	Tom Laputka	_____
Harley Strickland, Mayor	_____		

**ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.**

**ATTEST:**

**AUTHENTICATED:**

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Deborah J. Renner, CMC, City Clerk

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Harley Strickland, Mayor

This Resolution approved  
as to form and legal sufficiency:

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W. E. Reischmann, Jr., City Attorney

**MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES****Amendments to Resolution No. 598-10, effective for all billings after May 1, 2010.****Amendment by Resolution No. 633-11, providing for review of credit standings for determination of deposit requirements.**

<b><u>Meter Installation:</u></b>	<b><u>Water</u></b>	<b><u>Irrigation</u></b>
3/4"	\$375	\$375
1.00"	450	450
1.50"	750	750
2.00"	900	900
3.00"	2,500	2,500
4.00"	3,000	3,000
6.00"	8,000	8,000

<b><u>Deposits:</u></b>	<b><u>Water</u></b>	<b><u>Wastewater</u></b>
3/4" – owner	\$100	\$150
3/4" – renter	100	150
3/4" – insufficient I.D.	300	150

**\*\*\* Residential deposit requirements may be reduced subject to credit standings review.**

3/4" – new construction	100	150
3/4" – commercial	Greater of 3 times ERU or \$100	Greater of 3 times ERU or \$100
1" to 6" commercial	Greater of 3 times ERU or \$100	Greater of 3 times ERU or \$100
Bulk Meter – new const.	\$1,000	0

**Fees:**

Initial fee      \$15 plus turn on fee

Turn on – w/5 days notice	\$30	Turn off – w/5 days notice	\$30
Turn on – less than 5 days notice	40	Turn off – less than 5 days notice	40
Turn on – after hours, emergency	35	Turn off – after hours, emergency	35
Turn on – after hours, non emergency	70	Turn off – after hours, non emergency	70

**MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES**

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Transfer account	\$15
Name change	5
Penalty (10 days past due/yellow tag)	15*
Delinquent (15 days past due)	40
Returned check	As per Florida Statutes **
<u>Credit Risk evaluation on active account</u>	<u>5 ***</u>

Meter tampering – cut lock	100
Lien filing	Two times cost
Lien satisfaction filing	Two times cost
Lien (open) refile, every 3 years	Two times cost
Title company search	15

Comparison test	50
Hydrant rental	100
Hydrant maintenance fee (annual)	100
Wastewater tap	190
Wastewater inspection	75
Backflow testing	40
Violation reconnection (per connection)	15
Premises visit (per connection)	15
Plan review (by staff)	100 per review or resubmittal
Engineer/Consultant costs	actual costs
Extra expenses	actual costs
Inspection fees (minimum one-hour)	30/hour 45/hour overtime

Annual Fire Line Charges:

Line Size	Annual Charges
4"	\$800.00/yr
6"	1,600.00/yr
8"	2,700.00/yr
10"	4,200.00/yr
12"	6,800.00/yr

Water conservation penalties	First-time violation – door tag
	Second-time violation - \$50.00 fine
	Each succeeding violation - \$100 fine

\* Except for accounts with an amount due less than the water base rate.

\*\* Florida Statutes  
 \$25 -- If face value does not exceed \$50  
 \$30 – If face value is more than \$50 by does not exceed \$300  
 \$40 – If face value is more than \$300

\*\*\* Third party provider assesses credit risk: Red= full deposit,  
 Yellow= 50% deposit with active ACH, & Green= No deposit with active ACH.