

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED RESOLUTION REVISING THE RETAIL WATER, WHOLESALE WATER, RETAIL SEWER, WHOLESALE SEWER, RETAIL RECLAIMED WATER, AND WHOLESALE RECLAIMED WATER RATES

The Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners proposes to increase the Retail Water, Wholesale Water, Retail Sewer, Wholesale Sewer, Retail Reclaimed Water, and Wholesale Reclaimed Water rates by Resolution.

A public hearing on the Resolution will be held on **Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.** in the County Commission Assembly Room, Fifth Floor, Pinellas County Courthouse, 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida 33756.

The public hearing will be streamed live at <https://youtube.com/pccvtv1> and www.pinellascounty.org/TV, and broadcast on the Pinellas County cable public access channels:

Spectrum Channel 637

Frontier Channel 44

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Members of the public wishing to address the body may attend in person, attend virtually, or provide comments in advance.

To address the County Commission in person, members of the public are encouraged to preregister at Pinellas.gov/comment. Preregistration is encouraged but not required if individuals plan to attend the meeting at the Assembly Room. Those who have not preregistered may register when they arrive.

Members of the public wishing to address the body virtually via Zoom or by phone are required to preregister by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting by visiting pinellas.gov/comment. The registration form requires full name, address and telephone number if joining by phone, along with the topic or agenda item to be addressed. Members of the public who cannot access the registration form via the internet may call (727) 464-3000 to request assistance preregistering. Only members of the public who have preregistered by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting will be recognized and unmuted to offer comments. If a member of the public does not log in with the same Zoom name or phone number provided in the registration form, they may not be recognized to speak.

Members of the public wishing to provide comments in advance may call the Agenda Comment Line at (727) 464-4400 or complete the online comment form at <https://pinellas.gov/bccagendacomment>. Comments on any agenda item must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting.

Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may provide public input on any agenda item through use of the [State of Florida's relay service](#) at 7-1-1.

All comments on any agenda item received by 5:00 P.M. the day before the meeting will be included as part of the official record for this meeting and will be available to be considered by the County Commission prior to any action taken.

The agenda for this meeting and information about participation options can be found at pinellas.gov/bcc.

Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard regarding the proposed Resolution.

THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION INCREASES THE RATES AS FOLLOWS AND WILL BE EFFECTIVE FOR BILLINGS ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2023:

Retail Water Rates:

Residential Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons up to 4,000 gallons per month

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$5.13	\$3.83	\$3.93	\$4.05	\$4.19

Residential Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons above 4,000 gallons per month

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$5.13	\$8.69	\$8.94	\$9.21	\$9.51

Non-Residential Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$5.13	\$5.26	\$5.41	\$5.57	\$5.76

Water Base Rate Charge Per month (*billed bi-monthly for each customer whether the water is on or off*)

Meter Size	CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
¾ inch	\$6.80	\$8.05	\$9.30	\$10.55	\$11.80
1 inch	\$17.00	\$20.13	\$23.25	\$26.38	\$29.50
1.5 inch	\$34.00	\$40.25	\$46.50	\$52.75	\$59.00
2 inch	\$54.40	\$64.40	\$74.40	\$84.40	\$94.40
3 inch	\$108.80	\$128.80	\$148.80	\$168.80	\$188.80
4 inch	\$170.00	\$201.25	\$232.50	\$263.75	\$295.00
6 inch	\$340.00	\$402.50	\$465.00	\$527.50	\$590.00
8 inch	\$544.00	\$644.00	\$744.00	\$844.00	\$944.00

Wholesale Water Rate:

Wholesale Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$4.3007	\$4.5157	\$4.7415	\$4.9786	\$5.2275

Retail Sewer Rates:

Metered Residential and Commercial:

Retail Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$7.17	\$7.46	\$7.76	\$8.07	\$8.39

Base Rate Charge Per month (*billed bi-monthly for each customer whether the water is on or off*)

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$19.64	\$20.43	\$21.25	\$22.10	\$22.98

The Volumetric Cap for Single Family Residences is 10,000 gallons per month.

Unmetered Residential and Commercial Sewer Customer (charged 1 ERU flat rate):

Base Rate Charge per month (*billed bi-monthly for each customer whether the water is on or off*)

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$19.64	\$20.43	\$21.25	\$22.10	\$22.98

Volumetric Rate per 1,000 gallons, billed for 5,000 gallons per month (1 ERU)

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$35.85	\$37.30	\$38.80	\$40.35	\$41.95

Wholesale Sewer Rate:

Wholesale Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons (no change)

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$6.1890	\$6.1890	\$6.1890	\$6.1890	\$6.1890

Retail Reclaimed Water All Users:

* All reclaimed customers will be metered by FY27

Monthly Volumetric Allowance

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
Unlimited	20,000	18,000	16,000	15,000

Retail Reclaimed Water Rates Funded Systems (No Availability Charge):

User Fee Monthly

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$22.00	\$23.00	\$24.00	\$25.00	\$26.00

Retail Funded (No Availability Charge) Systems Metered Service
Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons over monthly volumetric allowance

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$1.47	\$1.69	\$1.94	\$2.23	\$2.56

Retail Reclaimed Water Rates Unfunded Systems (Includes \$7/month Availability Charge):

User Fee Monthly

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$29.00	\$30.00	\$31.00	\$32.00	\$33.00

Retail Unfunded (Availability Charge) Systems Metered Service
Volumetric Rate Per 1,000 gallons over volumetric allowance

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$1.47	1.69	\$1.94	\$2.23	2.56

Monthly: Availability Charge (not connected for service) \$7.00

Metered Service Interruptible Rate:

User Fee Per 1,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
\$0.212	\$0.2438	\$0.2804	\$0.3224	\$0.3708

Wholesale Reclaimed Water Rates:

City of South Pasadena Wholesale Metered Service per 1,000,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$500.00	\$575.00	\$661.25	\$760.43	\$874.50

Town of Belleair Wholesale Metered Service per 1,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$0.212	\$0.2438	\$0.2804	\$0.3224	\$0.3708

City of St. Pete Beach Wholesale Metered Service per 1,000,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$500.00	\$575.00	\$661.25	\$760.43	\$874.50

City of Pinellas Park Wholesale Metered Service per 1,000 gallons

CURRENT	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
\$0.5000	\$0.5750	\$0.6613	\$0.7604	\$0.8745

The proposed Resolution can be inspected by the public at the Pinellas County Board Records Department, 315 Court Street, Fifth Floor, Clearwater, Florida 33756. Comments may be sent to this same address or call (727) 464-3458.

Persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decision made at the meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purposes, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities who need reasonable accommodations to effectively participate in this meeting are asked to contact Pinellas County's Office of Human Rights by emailing such requests to accommodations@pinellas.gov at least three (3) business days in advance of the need for reasonable accommodation. You may also call (727) 464-4882.

KEN BURKE, CLERK TO
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
By: Derelynn Revie, Deputy Clerk