

COUNCIL AGENDA STATEMENT



Meeting Date: October 10, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council

From: Daniel Saus, Utilities Director

Through: George Garrett, City Manager

Agenda Item: **Resolution 2023-108**, Modifying the City’s Wastewater Rates; Authorizing The City Manager To Administer Wastewater Rate Implementation; And Providing An Effective Date

BACKGROUND & JUSTIFICATION:

The City recently completed a utility rate study. The study recommends wastewater rate increases for the next several fiscal years. These rate increases would apply to the admin, base and flow components of the rate. The FY24 recommended rate increase is 16%, with a tentative 7% increase for FY25-FY27, and a tentative 1% increase in FY28.

CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST:

	Yes	No
1. Comprehensive Plan	<u>X</u>	_____
2. Other – 2010 Sewer Mandate	<u>X</u>	_____
3. Not applicable	_____	_____

FISCAL NOTE:

The increased rates will allow the City to meet debt service coverage requirements, while still adequately maintaining the system.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of Resolution.

Sponsored By: Garrett

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-108**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, MODIFYING THE CITY’S RATE; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADMINISTER WASTEWATER RATE IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Marathon, Florida (the “City”) enacted Ordinance 02-07-12 and Ordinance 2008-10 (the “Ordinances), which establish a Wastewater Utility and authorizes, by City Council resolution, the imposition of fees, charges procedures as appropriate to the construction, operation and maintenance of the wastewater system;

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adjust the Wastewater Utility Rate Schedule.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

Section 2. This resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No. 02-07-12, Sections 166.021 and 166.041, Florida Statutes, and other applicable provisions of law.

Section 3. This resolution increases the base capacity charge per EDU, and the Per Customer Administrative Charge, and the Flow Rate by 16% in FY24, 7% in FY25-FY27 and 1% in FY28 (as enumerated in “Exhibit “A”).

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 10TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023.

THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA

Luis Gonzalez, Mayor

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE
AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:

Steve Williams, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Description	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Rate Adjustment	16.00%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%	1.00%
Administrative Charge per Account	\$16.79	\$17.97	\$19.23	\$20.58	\$20.79
Base Charge per EDU	26.85	28.73	30.74	32.89	33.22
Usage Charge per 1,000 Gallons [1]	9.51	10.18	10.89	11.65	11.77

[1] Usage charge is capped at 12,000 gallons per month for individually metered residential customers.