

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-3554

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING WATER AND SEWER RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2026 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 2022-2919, the Town of Surfside ("Town") Commission established multi-year water and sewer rate adjustments for Fiscal Years 2023 through 2026, with said rates expiring September 30, 2026, as set forth in Attachment "A" to the Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Town has commissioned an updated rate study to be completed by year end that will provide current data on infrastructure costs, debt service requirements, operating expenses, and fund balance adequacy; and

WHEREAS, the Town administration recommends holding rates flat at the current level as established in Resolution No. 2022-2919 for Fiscal Year 2027, in order to avoid an additional increase ahead of the rate study's findings and preserve the Town Commission's full range of decisions once the rate study is available; and

WHEREAS, pausing new rate decisions until the rate study concludes avoids committing to rates based on years-old data and ensures any rate action reflects current financial conditions and infrastructure requirements; and

WHEREAS, once completed, the Town administration will present the completed rate study and recommendations, allowing the Town Commission to consider any mid-year adjustments or set rates for Fiscal Year 2027 and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission desires to maintain and adopt the current water and sewer rates and service charges, as set forth in Attachment "A" to Resolution No. 2022-2919, effective October 1, 2026, for Fiscal Year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. That the above-stated recitals are hereby adopted and confirmed.

Section 2. Water and Sewer Rates and Service Charges Approved and Adopted. Effective October 1, 2026, for fiscal year 2027, the rates and service charges for water and sewer service shall be as set forth in Attachment "A" to Resolution No. 2022-2919, and said rates and service charges are hereby approved and adopted.

Section 3. Authorization; Implementation. The Town Manager and Town Officials are authorized to take any and all action necessary to implement the water and sewer rate and service charges and the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 4. Repeal of Conflicting Provisions. All resolutions or previous rates or service charges for water and sewer service, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Resolution and the rates and service charges approved and adopted herein, are hereby repealed to the extent of any conflict.

Section 5. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of August, 2026.

Motion By: Commissioner Vildostegui
Second By: Commissioner Travani

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

Commissioner Andrea Travani
Commissioner Gerardo Vildostegui
Commissioner David Weingot
Vice Mayor Dayana Benmergui
Mayor Shlomo Danzinger

Yes

Yes

Absent

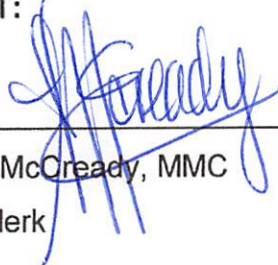
Absent

Yes



Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra McCready, MMC
Town Clerk



**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE
AND BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:**



Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.
Town Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 2919

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING MULTI-YEAR WATER AND SEWER RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 TO 2026; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside ("Town") last approved a multi-year water and sewer rate adjustment for Fiscal Years 2017 to 2021, with no rate adjustments or increases implemented for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, as utility rates and operational costs throughout the industry continue to rise, the Town is committed to managing those costs and remaining efficient while upholding the Town's commitment to supplying high-quality water and sewer services to our community; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town to periodically adjust and increase water and sewer rates to support the maintenance and replacement of aging infrastructure, which will mean fewer water main breaks and interruptions in service, and make the necessary revenue adjustments for the Town's utilities in order to continue funding annual operations and maintenance expenses, debt service on two outstanding loans, meet the debt service coverage ratio requirements of the loans, and maintain a fund balance for reserve requirements; and

WHEREAS, since Town property taxes do not fund water and sewer services, these costs must be recovered through bi-monthly rates and charges, with rate adjustments based on a detail cost of service analysis to ensure that each utility customer pays its proportionate share of the costs to provide services; and

WHEREAS, the water and sewer utility revenues from existing rates will not be sufficient to meet anticipated costs over the next four fiscal years, thereby necessitating revenue adjustments to meet projected costs; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town to adjust and increase multi-year water and sewer rates and service charges as set forth in Attachment "A" attached hereto in order to meet projected utility costs and expenses for the next four years; and

WHEREAS, the Town has provided notice of the proposed adjustments and increase of water and sewer rates to its customers through the Town's Utility Department's billing process in August 2022, pursuant to Section 180.136, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, such multi-year water and sewer rates and service charges, as increased, shall be effective October 1, 2022, for Fiscal Years 2023 through 2026, and shall be reflected on all customer bills beginning with the billing cycle in December 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that the adjustment and increase in water and sewer rates and service charges is necessary and in the best interest and welfare of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. That the above-stated recitals are hereby adopted and confirmed.

Section 2. Water and Sewer Multi-Year Rates and Service Charges Approved and Adopted. Effective October 1, 2022, for fiscal years 2023 through 2026, the rates and service charges for water and sewer service shall be as set forth in Attachment "A" attached hereto and are hereby approved and adopted.

Section 3. Authorization; Implementation. The Town Manager and Town Officials are authorized to take any and all action necessary to implement the water and sewer rate and service charge adjustments and the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 4. **Repeal of Conflicting Provisions.** All resolutions or previous rates or service charges for water and sewer service, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Resolution and the revised rates and service charges approved and adopted herein, are hereby repealed to the extent of any conflict.

Section 5. **Effective Date.** That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 13th day of September, 2022.

Motion By: Vice Mayor Rose

Second By: Commissioner Meischeid

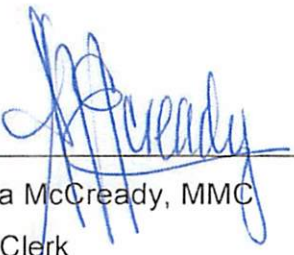
FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION

Commissioner Fred Landsman	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Marianne Meischeid	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Jeffrey Rose	<u>Yes</u>
Mayor Shlomo Danzinger	<u>Yes</u>



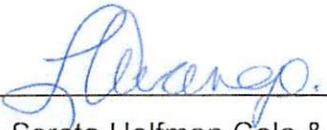
Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra McCready, MMC
Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Serota", is written over a horizontal line.

Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.

Town Attorney

WATER RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES**Bi-Monthly Water Base Charge {Service Charge}:****[Per Section 78-27 (110-166{a}) of the Town Code]**

Meter Size	Current	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
5/8"	\$ 37.89	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
1"	\$ 55.13	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
1 1/2"	\$ 83.83	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
2"	\$ 118.28	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
3"	\$ 198.68	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
4"	\$ 313.50	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
6"	\$ 600.61	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%
8"	\$ 945.03	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%

Residential Customers - Water Consumption Charges:**{Per Section 78-27 of the Town Code}**

Rate per 1,000 gallons	Current	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Block 1 (0-12,000 gallons)	\$ 4.05	+3%	+3%	+3%	+3%
Block 2 (12,001-24,000 gallons)	\$ 4.85	+3%	+3%	+3%	+3%
Block 1 (Above 24,000 gallons)	\$ 8.10	+3%	+3%	+3%	+3%

All Other Non-Residential Customers-Water Consumption Charges:**{Per Section 78-27 of the Town Code}**

Rate per 1,000 gallons	Current	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Uniform Rate	\$ 4.82	+3%	+3%	+3%	+3%

Tapping Charges (New Water Service):

[Per Section 78-27 (110-166(d)) of the Town Code].

Up to 1" tap and service	\$ 350.00 *
1 1/2" tap and service	\$ 500.00 *
2" tap and service	\$ 650.00 *
Over 2" tap and service	Actual Cost, plus 15%

*Additional Charge where a street, sidewalk, curb
of gutter is cut

Actual Cost of replacement, plus 15%

Deposit/Application for Water Service:

[Per Section 78-27 (110-166(e)) of Town Code]

Minimum Guarantee Deposit:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Deposit per Meter</u>
5/8"	\$ 160.00
1"	\$ 200.00
1 1/2"	\$ 300.00
2"	\$ 400.00
3"	\$ 600.00
4"	\$ 800.00
6"	\$ 1,200.00
8"	\$ 1,600.00

Delinquent Accounts:

[Per Section 78-27 010-192(a)} of Town Code]

\$25.00 for the first occurrence and then \$50.00 for the second and subsequent occurrence(s)
within a rolling 12-month calendar period.

SEWER RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES

Sewer Uniform Flow Rate (Service Charge) and Bi-Monthly Base (Fixed) Charge:

(Per Section 78-56 of the Town Code)

Rate per 1,000 gallons	Current	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Uniform Flow Rate	\$ 8.64	+3%	+3%	+3%	+3%
Bi-Monthly Base (Fixed) Charge	\$ 11.00	+2%	+2%	+2%	+2%