

ORDINANCE NO. 0-09-11

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A, SECTION UTILITIES (7) OF THE GAINESVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CERTAIN SERVICE CHARGES AND DECREASING THE LATE FEE FOR THE COMBINED STATEMENT; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CODIFIER; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE PROVIDED HEREIN.

WHEREAS, at least ten (10) days notice has been given of the public hearings once by publication in a newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of the public hearings in the City Commission meeting room, first floor, City Hall, City of Gainesville; and

WHEREAS, the public hearings were held pursuant to the published notices described above at which hearings in the parties in interest and all others had an opportunity to be and were, in fact, heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Appendix A, Section Utilities (7) of the Gainesville Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

UTILITIES:

(7) In general:

a. Residential deposits (§ 27-7):

- 1. Electric service ..... \$100.00
- 2. Water service ..... \$ 20.00
- 3. Wastewater service ..... \$ 40.00
- 4. Gas service ..... \$ 50.00

b. Service charges:

- 1. Specially arranged visit for meter reader to read meter (§ 27-8c) ..... \$ 20.00
- 2. Installation or turn-on of service (§ 27-15a):
  - (i) Electric service:
    - (A) Non-demand meter ..... \$ ~~15.00~~30.00
    - (B) Demand meter ..... \$ ~~40.00~~60.00
  - (ii) Water service ..... \$ ~~15.00~~30.00
  - (iii) Gas service:
    - (A) Residential, with electric or water turn-on ..... \$ ~~20.00~~40.00
    - (B) Residential, gas turn-on only ..... \$ ~~25.00~~50.00
    - (C) All other retail classifications ..... \$ ~~40.00~~100.00
  - (iv) In addition to all other applicable charges, the following rates may also apply:
    - (A) If guaranteed is requested for the same or any fully-scheduled workday\* ..... \$ 40.00
    - (B) If service is provided anytime on holidays or weekends..... \$ 50.00

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- 1                   \* Workdays shall be weekdays, except for city holidays.
- 2           3. Field visit trip charges (§ 27-15b) ..... \$ 25.00
- 3           4. Field visit for special purpose (§ 27-15c, d):
- 4           (i) Delinquent disconnection..... \$ 40.00
- 5           (A) In addition, if commercial gas service is disconnected, electric service is disconnected at the
- 6           point of service (pole or service drop), or the water is removed due to safety requirements,
- 7           unauthorized connection, or customer request ..... \$ 30.00
- 8           (B) In addition, if service reconnection is requested anytime after normal working hours on a
- 9           workday\* ..... \$ 40.00
- 10           (C) In addition, if reconnection service is provided anytime on holidays or weekends ... \$ 50.00
- 11           \*Workdays shall be weekdays, except for city holidays.
- 12           (ii) Special visit at customer request to:
- 13           (A) Reread meter where reading is found to be correct ..... \$ 20.00
- 14           (B) Temporarily disconnect meter ..... \$ 20.00
- 15           (C) Provide conservation service where customer failed to appear as scheduled. . \$ 20.00
- 16           (D) Turn on gas where the customer failed to appear as scheduled ..... \$ 20.00
- 17           (iii) Meter testing charges:
- 18           (A) Electric, if meter not more than two percent fast (§ 27-26.1)..... \$ 20.00
- 19           (B) Gas, deposit (§ 27-280.2) ..... \$ 10.00
- 20           (C) Water, testing by meter size:

21           TABLE INSET:

Meter Size (inches)	Testing Charge
5/8x 3/4.....	\$10.00
3/4.....	12.00
1.....	12.00
1 1/2.....	18.00
2.....	25.00
3.....	30.00*
4.....	35.00*
6.....	40.00*
8.....	45.00*

- 23           \* The city does not have the capacity to test the meters with its own personnel. Any zone and per diem charges
- 24           that are made by an outside company to make these tests will be chargeable to the customer.
- 25           5. Temporary electric service, installation and removal (§ 27-25): ..... \$ 50.00
- 26           6. Water meter removal due to nonpayment of deferred fees and charges (§ 27-121) .... \$125.00
- 27           7. Returned payment, each (§ 27-14.3a) ..... \$ 20.00
- 28           \*(or five percent of the face amount of the transaction, whichever is greater)
- 29           8. Late fee for combined statement (§ 27-14(e)) . . . \$ 1.00
- 30           \*(or ~~two~~ 1 1/2 percent of the unpaid balance amount, whichever is greater)
- 31           9. Electronic remote read meter installation charges (§ 27-8(c)):
- 32           (i) Electric service:
- 33           (A) Non demand meter ..... \$ 77.00
- 34           (B) Demand meter ..... \$177.00

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1	(ii) Water service .....	\$100.00
2	(iii) Gas service .....	\$ 59.00
3	10. Unauthorized service investigation (§§ 27-26.2(c); 27-126.3(c); 27-280.1) .....	\$ 65.00
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5           **Section 2.** All ordinances in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

6           **Section 3.** It is the intention of the City Commission that the provisions of Section 1 of this Ordinance  
7 shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gainesville, Florida, and that the  
8 Sections and Paragraphs of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered in order to accomplish such  
9 intentions.

10           **Section 4.** If any word, phrase, clause, paragraph, section or provision of this ordinance or the  
11 application hereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional, such finding shall not affect the  
12 other provisions or applications of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional  
13 provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

14           **Section 5.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; provided however, the rates  
15 and charges as provided for herein shall be applicable, to all bills which are for the first time rendered and  
16 postmarked after 12:01 A.M., June 1, 2009.

17           PASSED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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21 Pegeen Hanrahan  
22 Mayor

23 ATTEST:

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27 Kurt M. Lannon, Jr.  
28 Clerk of the Commission

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30 Approved as to form and legality

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34 Marion J. Radson  
35 City Attorney

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37 This ordinance passed on first reading this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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1 This ordinance passed on second reading this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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