

# Utilities Department Fee Discussion



July 15, 2025



CHARLOTTE COUNTY  
FLORIDA

# Proposed Increases to Miscellaneous Fees and Charges

Fee and Charge Type	Existing Fee	Proposed Fees	Change
<b>Account start-up</b>			
Initiation of service fee	\$45	\$50	+ \$5
Residential customer deposits	None	\$250	+ \$250
<b>Wastewater service</b>			
Vacuum pit installation (excludes pit)	Actual cost	\$8,740	Varies
Residential LPS tank connection	N/A	\$4,550	Varies
<b>Fire protection charges</b> <i>Intent is to change from monthly to annually</i>			
Less than 4" line	\$33.33 monthly (\$400 annually)	\$35 monthly (\$420 annually)	+ \$1.67 monthly + (\$20 annually)
4" line	\$66.67 monthly (\$800 annually)	\$70 monthly (\$840 annually)	+ \$3.33 monthly + (\$40 annually)
6" line	\$133.33 monthly (\$1,600 annually)	\$135 monthly (\$1,620 annually)	+ \$1.67 monthly + (\$20 annually)
8" line	\$214.17 monthly (\$2,570 annually)	\$215 monthly (\$2,580 annually)	+ \$.83 monthly + (\$10 annually)
10" line	\$307.50 monthly (\$3,690 annually)	\$310 monthly (\$3,720 annually)	+ \$2.50 monthly + (\$30 annually)

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<b>Pretreatment fees</b>			
Monthly fats, oils and grease (FOG) program fee	N/A	\$10	+ \$10
Failure to provide quarterly report	N/A	\$50	+ \$50
Failure to perform 90-day pump out	N/A	\$150	+ \$150
Inspection fee	N/A	\$10	+ \$10 per grease removal device, per inspection
Re-inspection fee	N/A	\$10	+ \$10 per grease removal device, per inspection
<b>Septage services</b>			
Septage waste discharge: in-county per gallon	\$0.08	\$0.15	+ \$0.07
Septage waste discharge: out-of-county per gallon	\$0.10	\$0.15	+ \$0.05
Grease waste discharge: in-county per gallon	\$0.12	\$0.15	+ \$0.03
Grease waste discharge: out-of-county per gallon	\$0.14	\$0.15	+ \$0.01

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<b>Other</b>			
Field test meter – residential ¾" meter or less	\$75	\$95	+ \$20
Field test meter – residential 1" meter	\$85	\$95	+ \$10
Field test meter – residential 1 ½" meter	\$105	\$210	+ \$105
Bench test meter ¾" meter or less	\$105	\$155	+ \$50
1" meter or less	\$135	\$195	+ \$60
Fire flow test – cost per test	\$50	\$280	+ \$230
Force main/potable water pressure reading – cost per reading	N/A	\$160	+ \$160
Lien search and account payoff fee	\$0	\$35	+ \$35
<b>Late fees and penalties</b>			
Late payment charges (3 days past due)	3% of current bill	5% of current bill	+ 2%
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<b>Engineering and administrative fees</b>			
Utility service availability report	\$0	\$5	+ \$5

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