

July 31, 2024

Dear City of Boynton Beach Utility Customer:

To continue delivering reliable and dependable water and wastewater service, while maintaining affordable utility rates, the Utility is proposing modification to its commodity tier structure. These proposed changes were presented to City Commission on July 10, 2024 budget workshop (6 pm to 8 pm). During the Commission meeting of the City of Boynton Beach Commission on September 3, 2024 the Commission will consider a Resolution to adjust charges for utility services provided by the Utility. The meeting will be held in Commission Chambers, 100 East Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach, Florida, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits. Public comments will be heard. The purpose of the fee change is to provide sufficient revenue to cover expenses for services provided. The amendments will take affect October 1, 2024.

These modifications will only affect commercial and high-use residential customers utilizing 7,000 gallons of water per month or more (top 20% of residential bills). The following table presents the existing and proposed water commodity tiers and wastewater maximum billing threshold for customers located within the City of Boynton Beach:

Comparison of Existing and Proposed Water Commodity Tiers			
	Existing - FY2024	Proposed - FY2025	Rate Per 1,000 Gallons
Tier 1	0-9,000	0-7,000	\$1.90
Tier 2	9,001-30,000	7,001-14,000	\$3.40
Tier 3	30,001-50,000	14,001-21,000	\$4.55
Tier 4	50,001 Gallons & Up	21,001 Gallons & Up	\$5.60

Comparison of Existing and Proposed Wastewater Maximum Billing Threshold			
	Existing - FY2024	Proposed - FY2025	Rate Per 1,000 Gallons
Max Billing	0-7,000	0-10,000	\$3.06

These adjustments are being considered to incentivize conservation and maintain rate affordability for the City's existing customers. The impact of these adjustments is estimated to be as follows:

- **Tier 1** – 81% of residential customers are billed within this tier and will see no increase to their monthly utility bill.

High-Consumption Customers Bill in:

- **Tier 2** – 10% of residential customers are billed within this tier and will see an average increase of approximately \$6.96 to their monthly utility bill.
- **Tier 3** – 5% of residential customers are billed within this tier and will see an average increase of approximately \$12.02 to their monthly utility bill.
- **Tier 4** – 4% of residential customers are billed within this tier and will see an increase of greater than \$18.15 (based on their consumption) to their monthly utility bill.

Therefore, please take notice that the City of Boynton Beach Commission is considering a proposal to modify: 1) the water commodity charge tiers; 2) maximum residential wastewater billing threshold; and 3) miscellaneous fees, for one-time service requests by utility customers to recover the actual cost of providing such services.