

ORDINANCE NO. 12 - 41

entitled

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALATKA, FLORIDA, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALATKA, FLORIDA BE AMENDED BY REMOVING SECTION 86-156, SEWER PLANT EXPANSION FUND, AND SECTIONS 86-344(b) AND 86-345(b), PLANT REPLACEMENT CHARGE; BY AMENDING SECTION 86-342 (3), WATER POLLUTION CONTROL CHARGE, BY REVISING APPENDIX "A" TO SECTION 86-344 AND APPENDIX "A" TO SECTION 86-345 THEREOF PROVIDING NEW SEWER CHARGES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2012, BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS RESPECTIVELY; BY AMENDING SECTION 86-348 TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL RATE ADJUSTMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PALATKA, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That Chapter 86, Division 3, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Palatka, Florida, is hereby amended as follows:

- a. By removing Section 86-156, Sewer Plant Expansion Fund;
- b. By amending Section 86-342, New Connections, Subparagraph (3) to read as follows:
 - (3) **Water Pollution Control Charge.** The water pollution control charge shall be as set out in Appendix A to Sec. 86-342 of this Code, as amended from time to time. ~~The income from the water pollution control charge shall be placed into a special sewer plant expansion fund as set out in section 86-156.~~
- c. By removing Section 86-344(b), plant replacement charge, rates inside city limits;
- d. By removing Section 86-345(b), plant replacement charge, rates outside city limits;
- e. By revising Appendix "A" to Section 86-344 to read as follows:

Sec. 86-344. Sewer Rates Inside City Limits.

(a) *Schedule:*

<u>Base Facility Charge</u>	Charge Amount
<i>Individually Metered Residential Accounts</i> Per Meter Regardless of Meter Size	\$20.60
<i>Master-Metered Residential Accounts</i> Per Dwelling Unit	\$18.54
<i>Non-Residential Accounts</i> Per Meter Regardless of Meter Size	\$32.95

Usage Charges (in 1,000 gallons)			
	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
<i>Individually & Master-Metered Residential Accounts</i> Per Dwelling Unit			
Rate per 1,000 Gallons	0 - 4,000 \$1.01	4,001 - 12,000 \$1.69	12,000+ N/A
<i>Non-Residential Accounts</i> Per Meter	All Use		
Rate per 1,000 Gallons	\$1.69		

(b) *Individually & master-metered residential bill:* Usage of more than 12,000 gallons per month per dwelling unit shall not be billed.

f. By revising Appendix “A” to Section 86-345 to read as follows:

Sec. 86-345. Sewer Rates Outside City Limits.

(a) *Schedule:*

<u>Base Facility Charge</u>	<u>Charge Amount</u>
<i>Individually Metered Residential Accounts</i> Per Meter Regardless of Meter Size	\$25.75
<i>Master-Metered Residential Accounts</i> Per Dwelling Unit	\$23.17
<i>Non-Residential Accounts</i> Per Meter Regardless of Meter Size	\$41.18

Usage Charges (in 1,000 gallons)			
	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
<i>Individually & Master-Metered Residential Accounts</i> Per Dwelling Unit Rate per 1,000 Gallons	0 - 4,000 \$1.26	4,001 - 12,000 \$2.11	12,000+ N/A
<i>Non-Residential Accounts</i> Per Meter Rate per 1,000 Gallons	All Use \$2.11		

(b) *Outside individually & master-metered residential bill:* Usage of more than 12,000 gallons per month per dwelling unit shall not be billed.

g. By amending Section 86-348, Sewer rate adjustment policy and scheduled increases, to read as follows:

Sec. 86-348. Sewer rate adjustment policy

(a) It shall be the policy of the city that the sewer rate schedules set forth in sections 86-344 and 86-345 shall be further adjusted in each fiscal year to keep pace with inflation. Commencing on October 1, 2013 and effective on October 1 of each year thereafter, the sewer rate schedule shall be adjusted by the City Commission as necessary to meet the requirements of any covenants of bonds or financing instruments utilized to provide funding for this system, and/or as is necessary to maintain the economic solvency of the sewer system enterprise fund.

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. That if any section or portion of a section or subsection of this ordinance proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other section or portion of a section, subsection, or part of this ordinance.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective as of October 1, 2012.

Section 5. A copy of this Ordinance shall be furnished to the Municipal Code Corporation for insertion in the Code of Ordinances for the City of Palatka.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Palatka, Florida, this
27th day of September, 2012.

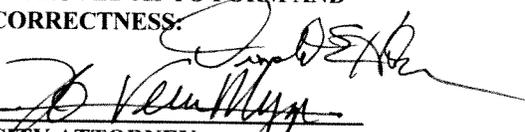
CITY OF PALATKA

By: 
Its MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
CORRECTNESS:


CITY ATTORNEY