

## Business Impact Estimate

*This form should be included in the agenda packet for the item under which the proposed ordinance is to be considered and must be posted on the City's website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.*

Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

**Ordinance No. 2026-10, AMENDING CHAPTER 30, CITY CODE, WASTEWATER UTILITY CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 30.18, CITY CODE, TO MODIFY THE BASIS ON WHICH THE WASTEWATER SERVICE CHARGE IS CALCULATED AND TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASES IN THE CHARGE AND APPLICABLE RATE.**

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, a business impact estimate is not required by state law<sup>1</sup> for the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
  - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
  - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
  - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
  - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, the City of Orlando hereby publishes the following information:

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<sup>1</sup> See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.



1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

The proposed ordinance establishes revised wastewater service rates to ensure adequate and sustainable funding for the City's Wastewater Management Program. The updated rates are designed to serve the public health, safety, and welfare by supporting essential services including facility inspections, operations and maintenance, capital renewals and replacements, and targeted capital improvements to reduce sanitary sewer overflows, inflow, and infiltration. Rates are set in accordance with industry standards to equitably distribute costs among customers while minimizing administrative burden. If adopted, the revised rates will generate a dedicated revenue stream sufficient to meet the program's current and long-term operational and capital needs.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City of Orlando, if any:

(a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur; There are no direct compliance costs to the business.

(b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible. The impact on businesses would be the adjustment in the proposed fees. Those proposed fee adjustments are shown below:

Description	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Effective Date	10/1/2026	10/1/2027	10/1/2028	10/1/2029
Rate Adjustments	9.50%	9.50%	9.50%	7.50%
<b>COMMERCIAL (COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, MASTER METER)</b>				
<u>Commercial (Inside City Limits)</u>				
Base Capacity Charge	\$28.03	\$30.69	\$33.61	\$36.13
Commodity Charge	6.77	7.41	8.11	8.72
<u>Commercial (Outside City Limits)</u>				
Base Capacity Charge	\$35.04	\$38.37	\$42.02	\$45.17
Commodity Charge	8.46	9.26	10.14	10.90

(c) An estimate of the City of Orlando's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

There are no regulatory costs related to businesses or commercial accounts arising from new charges or fees.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

92,213 Commercial ERCs

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

Statement about benefit of rate increase to the community (Marjorie)

*[You may wish to include in this section the methodology or data used to prepare the Business Impact Estimate. For example: City of Orlando staff solicited comments from businesses in the city as to the potential impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on city website, public workshop, etc. You may also wish to include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses. You may also wish to state here that the proposed ordinance is a generally applicable ordinance that applies to all persons similarly situated (individuals as well as businesses) and, therefore, the proposed ordinance does not affect only businesses].*

The Wastewater rate adjustment will support the City's Wastewater Management program by providing staffing, maintenance activities, and future capital needs. The proposed adjustment will provide the Wastewater Management Program with sufficient revenue to fund the capital improvement program, field operations and maintenance, and support services needs to ensure regulatory compliance and maintain and enhance the Wastewater services provided by the City.