ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, FLORIDA, AMENDING APPENDIX CHAPTER A198 FEES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO RATES AND CHARGES FOR RECLAIMED WATER; TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM MONTHLY RECLAIMED WATER SERVICE CHARGE FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS TO \$10.25 AND TO INCREASE COMMERCIAL AND MUNICIPAL USER SERVICE CHARGES TO \$293.00 PER PERVIOUS ACRE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of South Pasadena Reclaimed Water rates are currently \$9.24 monthly for residential customers and \$264.00 per pervious acre per month for commercial customers; and

WHEREAS, Pinellas County Utilities provides the reclaimed water used by the residents of South Pasadena, and

WHEREAS, Pinellas County Utilities has adopted wholesale reclaimed water rate increases from fiscal 2024 through fiscal 2027; and

WHEREAS, the County rate increase for fiscal 2023 has increased by 23.8% to \$500.00 per million gallons (PMG); and

WHEREAS, the City did not change or increase Reclaimed Water Fees for fiscal 2023, and

WHEREAS, there is a 15% approved increase (to \$575.00 PMG) for the fiscal year ending in September 2024, and

WHEREAS, the actual and projected increase in reclaimed water costs for fiscal 2023 and 2024 respectively is approximately \$27,950 and is projected to be \$112,815 based on expected processing volumes of 196.2 million gallons for fiscal 2024; and

WHEREAS, a recommended 11% increase in Reclaimed Water Fees is expected to generate \$277,500 or an additional \$27,500 annually in Reclaimed Water Revenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to cover increases in reclaimed water cost charged by the County and to maintain adequate reserves for capital improvements and replacements to the City reclaimed water system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the city Commission of the City of South Pasadena, Florida as follows:

Section 1. FINDINGS AND MONTHLY RATE INCREASE. As a result of the findings of the City Commission set forth above, that effective December 1, 2023, the Base Reclaimed Water Rates shall be increased by 11%. Subsection 192-20 of Appendix Chapter A198 of the Code of Ordinances, the schedule of rates for reclaimed water service, is amended to read as follows:

Water reclamation monthly service charges :									
Single family\$ 10.25 per month									
Multi-Family, Commercial, Municipal and all others									
Multi-Family\$ 293.00 per pervious acre per month									
Commercial\$ 293.00 per pervious acre per month									
Municipal (Public)\$ 293.00 per pervious acre per month									
<u>Section 2.</u> EFFECTIVE DATE. The amended reclaimed water rates established hereunder shall be utilized for the November 2023 meter readings to calculate billings beginning December 1, 2023.									

Arthur Penny, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carley Lewis, City Clerk

PASSED	ON	FIRST	READING		OCTOBER 10 TH				2023.	
PASSED	ON	SECONE	AND	FINAL	READING	NO	OVEMBER	14 TH	,	2023.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I, the undersigned City Clerk did cause the noticing of the above ordinance in accordance with Chapter 166.041 of the Florida Statutes.

Carley Newis, City Clerk

THIS ORDINANCE HAS BEEN APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.