

RESOLUTION NO. 37-2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA; AMENDING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE USE OF NATURAL GAS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Gulf Breeze operates a natural gas utility system, and it must ensure that the rates charged for the use of natural gas will pay for the cost of operating the system; and,

WHEREAS, costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the system have increased, with the Consumer Price Index for the South Region currently at 3.60% for the 12-month period ending April, and these costs must be recovered through user rates; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to have the user rate contribute more toward renewal and extension costs to preserve and enhance a positive reserve position of the gas fund; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is necessary to increase the natural gas rates for services billed after September 30, 2026, as provided in **Exhibit "A"**; and

WHEREAS, the City gave notice on its customers' utility bills of a Public Meeting to consider an increase in the natural gas rates set for Monday, September 21, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a Public Meeting on Monday, September 21, 2026, on this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. RECITALS.

That the "whereas" clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. ADJUSTMENT OF NATURAL GAS RATE.

For services billed after September 30, 2026, the fees charged for natural gas service with the City shall conform to the rates on the fee schedule attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**, which reflects a 3.60% cost of service increase for distribution costs and base fees.

SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS

All resolutions and policies or parts thereof of the City in conflict with the provisions herein contained are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded and repealed.

SECTION 4. CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS

Typographical errors in this Resolution adopted hereunder, which do not affect the intent, may be authorized by the City Manager or their designee without need of a public hearing by filing a corrected copy of same with the City Clerk.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, ON THIS 21ST DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.



CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA

By: 
JB Schluter, Mayor

ATTEST

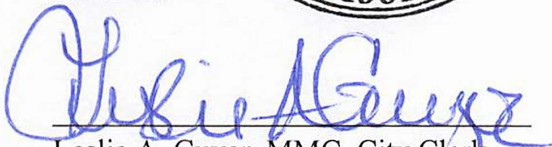

Leslie A. Guyer, MMC, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A
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NATURAL GAS

Rates to be effective for services billed after September 30, 2026

NATURAL GAS BASE FEE

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Increased By</u>	<u>New</u>
Inside	\$8.51	\$0.30	\$8.81
Outside	\$10.64	\$0.38	\$11.02
Low Usage (< 3)	\$11.70	\$0.42	\$12.12

GAS COST RATE PER THERM

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Increased By</u>	<u>New</u>
Per Therm	\$0.72	\$0.00	\$0.72

DISTRIBUTION RATE PER THERM (INSIDE THE CITY)

"Usage (Therms)"	Current	Increased by	New
0-3	\$1.10	\$0.04	\$1.14
4-8	\$1.05	\$0.04	\$1.09
9-166	\$1.00	\$0.04	\$1.04
167-4,166	\$0.85	\$0.03	\$0.88
> 4,166	\$0.70	\$0.02	\$0.72

DISTRIBUTION RATE PER THERM (OUTSIDE THE CITY)

"Usage (Therms)"	Current	Increased by	New
0-3	\$1.21	\$0.04	\$1.25
4-8	\$1.15	\$0.05	\$1.20
9-166	\$1.10	\$0.04	\$1.14
167-4,166	\$0.93	\$0.04	\$0.97
> 4,166	\$0.77	\$0.03	\$0.80

Total Fee = Base Fee + Distribution Cost per Therm * Usage + Gas Cost per Therm * Usage