



**BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE REQUIRED BY SECTION 125.66(3), FLORIDA STATUTES, FOR A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 37-2 (“DEFINITIONS”) OF CHAPTER 37 (“WATER AND WASTEWATER”) OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CODE; CREATING A POLICY FOR HIGH-INTENSITY WATER USERS IN SECTION 37-8 (“HIGH-INTENSITY WATER USERS”) OF CHAPTER 37 BY ESTABLISHING REVIEW, APPROVAL, AND APPEAL PROCESSES FOR HIGH-INTENSITY WATER USERS; ESTABLISHING SERVICE STANDARDS AND COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. TO BE CONSIDERED BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ADOPTION AT PUBLIC HEARING AT 2:00 P.M. ON OCTOBER 27, 2026.**

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| <b>Public Hearing Date:</b> October 27, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Summary of proposed ordinance (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)1.):</b><br>This ordinance is designed to amend Chapter 37 of the Orange County Code to protect the availability and reliability of potable water service for domestic consumption, public health and safety, existing customers, and other community-serving uses by establishing review, approval, reclaimed-water use, monitoring, cost recovery, and compliance requirements for high-intensity water users. A high-intensity water user shall be charged a special rate for water use in excess of 100,000 gallons per day (gpd). |

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| <b>An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the county, if any (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)2.):</b> Any applicable special high-intensity water user will be required to pay water capital charges for all capacity in excess of 100,000 gpd at a rate 165% over the normal water capital charge in addition to the existing water capital charges paid for all capacity.                                                                        |
| a. <b>An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted:</b> None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| b. <b>Identification of any new charge or fee on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible:</b> All applicable special high-intensity water users with total water demand in excess of 100,000 gpd will be required to purchase capacity at \$20.40/gpd for the demand over 100,000 gpd in addition to the capacity that would be purchased at the current water capital charge per equivalent residential connection (ERC) for all capacity. |
| c. <b>An estimate of the county’s regulatory costs, including an estimate of revenues from any new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses to cover such costs:</b> None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

**A good faith estimate of the number of businesses that will be financially impacted by this ordinance (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)3.):** There will be no current customers financially impacted by this ordinance. There may be a small number of businesses in the future who meet the criteria for a high-intensity water user, as defined in Chapter 37, that would be impacted by this ordinance should they choose to pursue purchasing capacity to establish their business in our service area.

**Any additional information the Board determines may be useful (F.S. § 125.66(3)(a)4.):** None