

1 **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A FIVE PERCENT (5%) WATER AND SEWER**
2 **VOLUMETRIC RATE INCREASE FOR EACH OF THE NEXT TWO (2) YEARS; TO**
3 **MAKE THE NECESSARY INCREASES TO THE WATER AND SEWER FEE**
4 **SCHEDULES; TO APPROVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE WATER CONNECTION FEES**
5 **FOR NORTH FULTON; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER**
6 **PURPOSES**

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8 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County, Georgia (“Fulton County”), is delegated the authority
9 to provide sewer and water services in the Supplementary Powers provision of the
10 Georgia Constitution (Art. 9, § 2, ¶ III of the Georgia Constitution of 1983); and

11 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County’s authority to “prescribe, revise, and collect rates,
12 fees, tolls, or charges for the services” is set out in O.C.G.A. § 36-82-62; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District (“MNGWPD”)
14 recommends to local governments in its Wastewater and Water Management Plans that
15 water rates should be based on a local rate study and designed to provide a sufficient
16 revenue stream to support program costs and facility maintenance; and

17 **WHEREAS**, on February 17, 2021, under Agenda Item No. 21-0143, the
18 Fulton County Board of Commissioners (“BOC”) received the South Fulton Wastewater
19 Capacity Study (“SFWCS”) which focused on the anticipated growth of the South Fulton
20 County area and the improvements necessary to serve this growth; and

21 **WHEREAS**, on March 5, 2025, under Agenda Item No. 25-0165, the BOC
22 approved and adopted the North Fulton Water Masterplan which focused on the water
23 distribution system needs of North Fulton, the anticipated growth of the North Fulton
24 County area, and the improvements necessary to serve and sustain that growth; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the 2025 Rate Study (the “Study”) conducted by the Public Works
26 Department identified the need for certain improvements to the Fulton County water and
27 sewer infrastructure system (“System”); and

1 **WHEREAS**, in order to meet the current and future water and sewer needs of
2 Fulton County through 2027, and to sustain and improve the quality of health for its
3 citizens, the County must continue to provide funding for the Capital Improvement
4 Program (the “Program”) and for the implementation of both the SFWCS and North
5 Fulton Water Masterplan; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department held public hearings on July 28, 2025
7 at the South Fulton Service Center, on July 29, 2025 at the North Fulton Service Center,
8 as well as a virtual meeting on August 7, 2025, to inform the public about the proposed
9 rate increases and to provide an opportunity for community feedback; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in order to provide the necessary funding, the Public Works
11 Department recommends increasing the water and sewer rates and all associated fees
12 across-the-board by 5% each year for the next 2 years, effective January 1, 2026 and
13 January 1, 2027; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes the need for
15 the capital improvement projects identified in the Program and the improvements
16 determined by the SFWCS and North Fulton Water Masterplan and is committed to
17 providing quality services that help to sustain and enhance the System along with the
18 quality of life for all its citizens.

19 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Fulton County Board of
20 Commissioners hereby approves a five percent (5%) water and sewer volumetric rate
21 increase each year for the next two years, making the necessary increase to water and
22 sewer fee schedules, effective January 1, 2026 and January 1, 2027.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective when adopted and that all resolutions and provisions of the Code of Laws in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County,
Georgia this 1st day of October 2025.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large)

ATTEST:

Tonya R. Grier
Clerk to the Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Y. Soo Jo, County Attorney