



# City of Alachua

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## Process for Temporary Construction Utilities

### Temporary Utility Services

Temporary utility services should be set up at the City of Alachua Billing Department. This temporary service is for the life of the building permit (12 months). Temporary utility service without deposit is made available to you as a professional courtesy. If the utility account becomes past due you will be required to pay a full deposit on the account as well as all future accounts opened by your company. Utility deposits for residential construction are as follows:

<i>*Electric</i>	<i>\$150.00 per meter</i>
<i>*Water</i>	<i>\$ 40.00 per meter</i>
<i>*Irrigation</i>	<i>\$ 40.00 per meter</i>
<i>*Sewer</i>	<i>\$ 50.00</i>

After your permit is pulled the Utility Department will then order the installation of all water meters and/or irrigation meters that have been purchased. If you have not purchased an irrigation meter and plan to irrigate after landscaping you receive a discount of \$100.00 by purchasing the meter at the time you pull your permit. In addition to the purchase price discount, the irrigation meter will also prevent any sewer charge that you would incur on the water used to irrigate with a domestic water meter. The monthly charges for water, sewer and irrigation services are based on a 5/8" X 3/4" meter are as follows:

#### **\*WATER/IRRIGATION**

See current rates

#### **\*SEWER**

See current rates

After your temporary power pole has been inspected and approved, the Utility Department will issue the work order to have your temporary power installed. Upon passing your semi-perm inspection, the Utility Department will issue a work order to move your electric meter from the temporary pole and install in your permanent meter can. After the semi-perm work order is completed the builder has 45 days to finalize construction and have a final inspection performed. If no final inspection is scheduled within this 45 day period the temporary utility account will automatically be disconnected. To have services restored the contractor will be required to have a final inspection scheduled and pay the applicable service charges. The service charges are \$25.00 per meter. If you wish to continue to receive utility services after your final inspection has been approved and the Certificate of Occupancy has been issued, a permanent utility account must be established. At this time you will be required to pay the minimum deposit and your account will be charged for all city service applicable to the address. Included in this packet is a customer information sheet that will detail rates for permanent utility services.

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