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ORDINANCE NO. 2529


City Clerk

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 18 OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD CHAPTER 18.01.005 TO TITLE 18 TO BE ENTITLED "SEWER RATE EFFICIENCY DISCOUNT" TO BE IN EFFECT FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2007 AND UNTIL SAID TITLE 18 OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL CODE IS AGAIN AMENDED BY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY ENACTED TO CHANGE SAID FEES AND CHARGES

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois (the "City") has found and determined and does hereby declare that it is necessary and appropriate for the City Council to amend TITLE 18 of the City's Municipal Code, entitled:

"FEES AND CHARGES TO BE ASSESSED FOR CITY SERVICES AND BUSINESS LICENSE FEES TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE CONDUCT AND OPERATION OF BUSINESSES, OCCUPATIONS, AND PROFESSIONS IN THE CITY"

to allow for a discounted sewer rate based on efficient use of water purchased from the City of Columbia in relation to sewer discharge into the City's sewer treatment system that the City will collect for its current fiscal year, which will end on April 30, 2007 and to continue in effect after the enactment of this ordinance until said TITLE 18 of the City's Municipal Code is again amended by enactment of a City Ordinance to change said City's fees and charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. "TITLE 18" of the City of Columbia, Illinois Municipal Code, which is entitled: "FEES AND CHARGES TO BE ASSESSED FOR CITY SERVICES AND BUSINESS LICENSE FEES TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE CONDUCT AND OPERATION OF BUSINESSES, OCCUPATIONS, AND PROFESSIONS IN THE CITY" is hereby changed and amended to add CHAPTER 18.01.005, to be entitled "SEWER RATE EFFICIENCY DISCOUNT" to the chapter listing and for said chapter to read as follows:

18.01.005 Sewer Rate Efficiency Discount.

Sanitary sewer service customers of the City who demonstrate that through various industrial, evaporative, or reuse methods that sewer discharge will be significantly less than water intake may request the Sewer Rate Efficiency Discount by agreeing to one of the following:

- 1) Installation of a dual water meter system as approved by the City of Columbia at the cost of the customer where 100% of the water will not enter the discharge flow. This system is preferred for irrigation, pools, etc.

The discount for this method will be 100% on the sewer rate for the water running through the second meter. The regular minimum monthly charges will apply to both meters.

Should it be found that the customer is discharging water into the City's sewer system from the second meter, all discounts will be revoked and regular sewer rates will apply.

- 2) Installation of an outflow meter system as approved by the City of Columbia at the cost of the customer where a non-residential user purchases a minimum of 1 million gallons per month.

The discount for this method will be the regular sewer rate charge based on the outflow meter reading only.

The above discounts do not apply when sewer discharge is considered to be "greater than normal sewerage" as defined in section 18.01.004 of the City of Columbia municipal code.

Section 2. All resolutions or ordinances or parts of resolutions or ordinances in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby changed and amended to be read and applied to be consistent with the provisions of this ordinance and preempted thereby; and to the extent such conflict cannot be cured by amendment, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect following publication of this Ordinance in pamphlet form, as provided by law.

Alderman Conrad moved the adoption of the above and foregoing Ordinance; the motion was seconded by Alderman Ebersohl and the roll call vote was as follows:

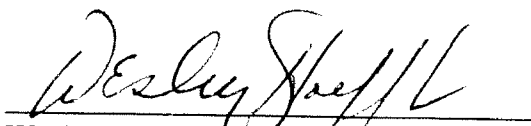
YEAS: Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Koesterer, row, Huch
and Mayor Hutchinson.

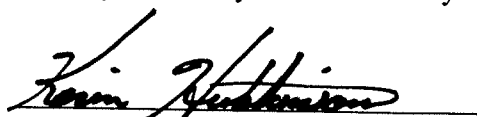
NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 5th day of February, 2007


Wesley J. Hoeffken, City Clerk


Kevin B. Hutchinson, Mayor