

**Amended Ordinance #330**

**AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE CITY'S POLICY REGARDING TREE LIMB CHIPPING AND SETTING THE FEES FOR SUCH SERVICE.**

**WHEREAS** the current manner in which tree limbs are collected and chipped by the City of Flatonia is inefficient and in need of improvement; and

**WHEREAS** it is in the best interest of the City of Flatonia to change the manner in which tree limbs are collected within the city for chipping;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLATONIA, TEXAS:**

That the following sections of the Flatonia City Code are hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 13.1212 Requirements and Limitations for Tree Limb and Rubbish Collection**

- (a) After placing tree limbs or rubbish at curb side for removal by city personnel, the owner or occupier of the property where the tree limbs or rubbish are located shall call the City to request that the tree limbs and rubbish be picked up. Fees for this service are found in Section 7.1400 of Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances.
- (b) If the tree limbs and/or rubbish are cut or cleared by a commercial service, the commercial service must also remove the limbs and rubbish from the property. The city will not pick them up.
- (c) Property occupiers desiring to dispose of tree limbs or rubbish on property not served by city utilities shall be required to remove such tree limbs or rubbish at the occupier's own expense.

**Appendix A, Fee Schedule**

**Sec. 7.1400 Tree Limb and Brush Collection**

There will be a fee charged to the owner or occupier of property on the utility bill of the owner or occupier for chipping of tree limbs or rubbish. The fee shall be \$25.00 for up to 20 minutes worth of chipping, and \$25.00 for each additional fifteen minutes, or portion of fifteen minutes, that the city's crew spends in chipping the tree limbs and/or rubbish.

**REPEAL:** All other ordinances or parts of ordinances of the City of Flatonia in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: That the rates and charges established hereby shall become effective and applicable on June 21, 2023.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June 2023.

**BY:**

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Dennis Geesaman  
Mayor



**ATTEST:**

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Tamela Louvier  
City Secretary

