Ordinance # 2023.06.21.4

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLATONIA AMENDING SECTIONS A7.003 AND A7.006, ARTICLE A7.000 UTILITY RELATED FEES, OF APPENDIX A, TEXAS, AS AMENDED, BY INCREASING THE WATER AND SEWER CONNECTION FEES AND THE BULK WATER RATES FOR THE CITY OF FLATONIA; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO COLLECT SAME; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Flatonia has heretofore, by ordinance, set rates for the provision of water services by the City of Flatonia; and

WHEREAS, it is evident that the current rates for water services are insufficient for the purposes of generating the revenue necessary to provide said services.

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

Section 1. That Article A7.000, Utility Related Fees, Section A.7.003, Water and Sewer Connection Fees of Appendix A of the <u>Code of Ordinances</u>, <u>City of Flatonia</u>, <u>Texas</u> is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. A7003 Water and Sewer Connection Fees

(a) The following water and sewer connection fees shall be paid to the city for labor and material costs for service installations at the time application is made for each service installation:

Connection	Fee
3/4" water tap	\$1000
1" water tap	\$1200
Larger than 1" water tap	Cost
Sewer Tap	\$1000

- (b) If a street must be cut in order to tap a sewer or water line, an additional fee of \$200 is required.
- (c) The above fees do not include the costs of city main extensions or boring paved streets. Such costs, if required, shall be based on city cost and shall be in addition to the above fees.
- (d) Any excavation more than six (6) feet deep will require additional fees of \$200.00 per foot. If an outside resource is required, it is at the landowner's expense.

Section 2. Article A7.000, Utility related Fees, Section A7.003, Water and Sewer Rate Connection Fees, <u>Code of Ordinances</u>, <u>City of Flatonia</u>, <u>Texas</u>, shall, except as amended herein, remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. That Article A7.000, Utility Related Fees, Section A7.006, Water and Sewer Service Rates of Appendix A of the <u>Code of Ordinances</u>, <u>City of Flatonia</u>, <u>Texas</u> is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) <u>Bulk Water Rates</u>: The rate and charge for bulk water sales shall be \$60 per thousand gallons or portion thereof.

Section 4. Article A7.000, Utility Related Fees, Section A7.006, Water and Sewer Service Rates, Code of Ordinances, City of Flatonia, Texas, shall, except as amended herein, remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Any articles, sections or subsections of the <u>Code of Ordinances</u>, <u>City of Flatonia</u>, <u>Texas</u>, inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby expressly repealed.

Section 6. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void, or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions or sets of circumstances shall not be affected hereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this Ordinance that no portion thereof or provisions or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of an unconstitutionality and all provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be reasonable.

Section 7. This ordinance shall become effective on its passage.

PASSED and **APPROVED** on this 21st day of June 2023.

 Dennis Geesaman	
Mayor	
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Tamela Louvier	<u> </u>
City Secretary	
Approved as to form:	