

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-065

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER THIRTY TWO, SECTION 104 AND PORTIONS OF SECTION 32-104 OF APPENDIX B OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF JONESBORO BY ADDING TO THE FIRST PARAGRAPH THEREOF LANGUAGE SETTING FORTH HOW SEWER RATES WITHIN THE TOWN OF JONESBORO ARE TO BE FIXED, MODIFYING THE SEWER RATES, PROVIDING FOR MATTERS RELATED THERETO AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE AMENDMENT.

WHEREAS, the Town of Jonesboro has been experiencing significant problems with its sewer system which may, in the future, compel the adjustment of sewer rates within the Town of Jonesboro; and

WHEREAS the citizens of the Town of Jonesboro are entitled to know the factors which will be considered in the fixing of sewer rates within the Town of Jonesboro; and

WHEREAS it is necessary that the sewer rates for the Town of Jonesboro be raised:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Jonesboro, Louisiana, in regular session, duly convened as the governing authority of the Town of Jonesboro, Louisiana as follows, to-wit:

SECTION I

The first full paragraph of Chapter 32, Section 32-104 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jonesboro is hereby amended to read as follows:

There is hereby fixed, established and levied on the occupant of every lot, dwelling, building or premises whatsoever connected with the water and sewage systems of the town, for obtaining water supplies and sewage services and for the services rendered by the town in the collection and disposal of garbage, trash and other refuse, and the maintenance of the general cleanliness and sanitation of the town, monthly charges in amounts as established by the mayor and board of aldermen from time to time. Sewer rates shall be adjusted as necessary to insure that enough funds are generated to

operate, maintain, improve and service any debt of the sewer system of the town in such a manner as to provide for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage within the town in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations of the State of Louisiana and the government of the United States.

with sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) of said Section 32-104 remaining unchanged.

SECTION II

Portions of Section 104 of Appendix B of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jonesboro designated as 32-104 Sewer charges, private homes, monthly; Sewer charges, business houses, stores, office buildings, apartment houses and other premises not classified as private homes or industrial user, monthly and Sewer charges, industrial users, monthly and Additional sewer use charge (not applicable to industrial users) be and the same are amended to read as follows to read as follows:

32-104 Sewer charges, private homes, monthly

Inside corporate limits: \$12.00 plus \$2.00/1000 gallons or portions thereof over 2000 gallons;

Outside corporate limits: \$17.00 plus \$2.25/1000 gallons or portions thereof over 2000 gallons;

32-104 Sewer charges, commercial users, monthly

Inside corporate limits: \$24.00 plus \$2.25/1000 gallons or portions thereof over 2000 gallons

Outside corporate limits: \$26.00 plus \$2.25/1000 gallons or portions thereof over 2000 gallons

32-104 Sewer charges, industrial users, monthly

Inside or outside of corporate limits \$1,000 plus \$2.25/1000 gallons or portions thereof

SECTION III

Any provision of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Jonesboro contrary to this ordinance, be and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall become effective for sewer services rendered as

reflected on July 1, 2021 or thereafter statements.

SECTION V

Should any item or provision, including any section, exception, part, phrase or term, or the application thereof be held invalid, the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and the validity of this Ordinance in any and all other respects shall not be affected thereby. If any phrase, clause, word or portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall be limited to that portion of the Ordinance.

The above ordinance was introduced by Alderman Flowers at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on the 13th day of April, 2021, and copies of the same were provided to all members of the Board and the Mayor.

The title of the Ordinance was published once in the official journal of the Town of Jonesboro, which notice stated that the Board of Aldermen would consider its adoption at the regular meeting of the Board of Alderman scheduled for the 11th day of May, 2021, at 5:45 p.m., at which time a public hearing would be held on said ordinance. At that meeting, following a public hearing, this proposed ordinance shall be read by title and called for final passage and may be adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Aldermen. Said ordinance shall take effect as set forth in Section IV.

At the meeting of May 11, 2021 the proposed ordinance was amended and after amendment was adopted, as amended at the regular meeting on May 11, 2021 of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Jonesboro by the following vote:

YEAS: GINN, FLOWERS JOHNNSON

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SIADEK, STRINGER

ATTEST:

CLERK

MAYOR

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Jonesboro declare that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Jonesboro at a regular meeting held on the 11th day of May, 2021 at which a quorum was present and voting.

Jonesboro, Louisiana, on this _____ day of May, 2021.

CLERK