ORDINANCE NO. OR07-24

AN ORDINANCE BY THE TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL REPEALING CURRENT SECTION 927.10 "CHARGES AND COLLECTION; DELINQUENT BILLS" OF THE TROTWOOD CODES OF ORDINANCES, AND ENACTING NEW SECTION 927.10 "CHARGES AND COLLECTION; DELINQUENT BILLS; DISCOUNT" TO PROVIDE A DISCOUNT FOR REFUSE COLLECTION TO CERTAIN RESIDENTS.

WHEREAS, Section 927.10 of the Trotwood Codes of Ordinances provides that Council shall assess and collect proper charges for the removal of garbage, rubbish, and debris from dwelling units and buildings used for residential purposes; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that it would be in the best interest of the City to enact a new Section 927.10 "Charges and Collection; Delinquent Bills; Discount" of the Trotwood Codes of Ordinances to provide a discount for refuse collection to residents who are eligible for the State of Ohio Homestead Exemption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROTWOOD, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION I: Cu

Current Section 927.10 "Charges and Collection; Delinquent Bills" of the Trotwood Codes of Ordinances is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION II:

New Section 927.10 "Charges and Collection; Delinquent Bills; Discount" is hereby enacted as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, with additions in **bold** and <u>underscored</u> and deletions in strikethrough.

SECTION III:

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including but not limited to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION IV:

This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Passed on this <u>3rd</u> day of <u>June</u>, <u>2024</u>.

APPROVED: ATTEST: **MAYOR** CLERK OF COUNCIL **TROTWOOD, OHIO 45426** TYNA R. BROV VICE-MAYOR CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. OR07-24 adopted by the Trotwood City Council at a regular scheduled 3035 OLIVE ROAD meeting held on the 3rd day of June, 2024, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate. Signed this _____, day of _____, CITY OF TROTWOOD KARA B. LANDIS CLERK OF COUNCIL

927.10 CHARGES AND COLLECTION; DELINQUENT BILLS; **DISCOUNT**.

- (a) For the purpose of this chapter, "dwelling unit" means a building or portion thereof, capable of providing living facilities for one family or housekeeping unit and usually occupied for residential purposes during any portion of a given calendar quarter. Every dwelling unit shall be presumed to be occupied unless its owner submits a request for written certification of vacancy at least annually to the City Manager demonstrating that the dwelling is and will continue to be vacant. The suspension of water service or comparable circumstances which render a dwelling unit incapable of being occupied shall be a prima facie demonstration of such vacancy. Submitting a false request for certification or failing to rescind a prior certification of vacancy when a period of vacancy ends are deemed violations of this chapter and subject to the penalty specified in Section 927.99. If such request for certification of vacancy is denied, such denial may be appealed to the Utility Appeal Board in accordance with such board's established procedures. In the case of two-family or multiple family dwellings, each unit therein shall be charged the charge mentioned below for those services.
- (b) Collection and removal of garbage, rubbish and debris from dwelling units and buildings used for residential purposes shall be made at least once each week. Each dwelling unit within the Municipality shall be charged an amount established by a resolution of Council which is hereby authorized to be enacted for such residential service payable in advance to the Municipality. Such charge shall be collected in the same manner as water and sewer charges are collected, and in an amount as established by a resolution of Council which is hereby authorized to be enacted.
- (c) City of Trotwood residents who receive refuse collection from the City of Trotwood, who have currently paid all of their refuse collection bills and who are eligible for the State of Ohio Homestead Exemption, may receive a 20% discount off their refuse collection bill. Residents will be required to apply for the discount with the City of Trotwood Utilities Division and provide documentation that they have qualified for and are receiving the State of Ohio Homestead Exemption on their property.