ORDINANCE NO. 2081

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, IMPOSING A COURT AUTOMATION SURCHARGE OF SEVEN DOLLARS ON MUNICIPAL CASES IN ORDER TO ASSIST IN PAYMENT THE SHOW-ME COURTS (SMC) AUTOMATION SOFTWARE.

WHEREAS, in July 2017 the Missouri Automation Committee (MAC) set a policy objective to implement a statewide court automation system as mandated under 476.055 RSMo for all divisions of the circuit courts in order to streamline case management; and

WHEREAS, in August 2018 the Missouri Automation Committee (MAC) adopted an implementation plan designating Show-Me-Courts as the new statewide court automation system in which all municipal divisions across Missouri must subscribe to; and

WHEREAS, in order to fund a statewide conversion to the Show-Me-Courts automation system, the Missouri Office of State Courts Administrator has required that all divisions impose a surcharge of Seven Dollars and No Cents (\$7.00) on all cases in which courts costs are taxed; and

WHEREAS, said surcharge shall be transmitted monthly to the Missouri Director of Revenue to the credit of the Missouri Statewide Automation Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Section 125.330 of the Municipal Code of the City of Dardenne Prairie, Missouri, be and is hereby amended by adding a new subsection (16) thereto, to read as follows:

Section 125.330 Court Costs.

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16. In addition to the other costs authorized in this Section, there shall be assessed a statewide court automation fund fee in the amount of seven dollars (\$7.00) in all cases in which court costs are taxed. Said fee shall be collected by the Municipal Court and transmitted monthly to the Missouri Director of Revenue to the credit of the Missouri Statewide Automation Fund, as provided in Section 488.012.3(5) RSMo and Section 488.027.2 RSMo.

SECTION 2. <u>Savings.</u> Except as expressly set forth herein, nothing contained in this Ordinance shall in any manner be deemed or construed to alter, modify, supersede, supplant or otherwise nullify any other Ordinance of the City or the requirements thereof whether or not relating to or in manner connected with the subject matter hereof.

SECTION 3. <u>Severability.</u> If any term, condition, or provision of this Ordinance shall, to any extent, be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder hereof shall be valid in all other respects and continue to be effective and each and every remaining provision hereof shall be valid

and shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law, it being the intent of the Board of Aldermen that it would have enacted this Ordinance without the invalid or unenforceable provisions. In the event of a subsequent change in applicable law so that the provision which had been held invalid is no longer valid, said provision shall thereupon return to full force and effect without further action by the City and shall thereafter be binding.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and take effect from and after its final passage and approval.

Read two times, passed, and approved this <u>3^{vd}</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2021.

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As Presiding Officer and as Mayor

Attest:

Kim Clause

City Clerk

Approved this <u>3rd</u> day of <u>Felermann</u>, 2021.

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Attest:

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