BILL NO. 24-1492 ORDINANCE NO. 1467
INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN Jacki Brown

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 1441 OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN, MISSOURI ESTABLISHING AN AMENDED USER CHARGE SYSTEM TO PROVIDE FUNDS NEEDED TO PAY FOR ALL EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY'S WATER SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, Chapter 715, Article I of the Municipal Code of the City of New Haven sets out a User Charge System for the City's Water System; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on establishment of these rates hereinafter provided was held on June 10, 2024 prior to the adoption of this Ordinance for the purpose of receiving any and all public comments relating thereto, and the results of such hearing have been considered by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen; and

WHEREAS, a Water Rate Study to determine the cost of future improvements of the existing Water User Charge System has determined that existing revenues are not adequate to pay the costs of annual operation and maintenance, including replacement, and to pay the costs of debt obligations associated with financing the water system;

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

SECTION ONE.

Chapter 715, Article I, Section 715.020: Rate Structure is hereby amended as follows:

- A. Each user shall pay for the services provided by the City based on their use of the water system as determined by water meter(s) acceptable to the City.
- B. All monthly user charges will be based on monthly water usage. This usage shall be determined by the individual water meter.
- C. For the period beginning July 1, 2024, and running through June 30, 2025 for all users located within the corporate limits of the City of New Haven, the following user charges shall apply:

The minimum charge per month shall be \$12.82 (Twelve Dollars and Eighty-Two Cents).

In addition each user shall pay a user volume charge as follows:

For the first $0 - 3{,}000$ gallons, or portion thereof: \$3.70 per thousand gallons.

For the next 3001 - 10,000 gallons, or portion thereof: \$5.58 per thousand gallons.

For the next 10.001 - 50.000 gallons, or portion thereof: \$4.33 per thousand gallons.

For the next 50,001 - 100,000 gallons, or portion thereof: \$3.22 per thousand gallons.

For 100,001 gallons plus, or portion thereof: \$2.52 per thousand gallons.

D. For all water users located outside the corporate limits of the City of New Haven, the minimum charge shall be 1.5 times the current minimum charge for users located inside the corporate limits, and the user volume charge shall be 1.5 times the current user volume charge for users located outside the corporate limits.

SECTION TWO.

Chapter 700, Section 700.035. Meter Maintenance Program of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven shall be repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

A. Each user connected to the water system of the City of New Haven shall pay the minimum charge per month as based on Meter Maintenance Charges by Multiplier with a Minimum Charge Divider of 2.5 as follows:

Meter Size	Multiplier	Minimum Charge	Multiplier Charge/Meter
5/8" x 3/4"	0	\$12.82	\$ 0.00
1"	1.5	\$12.82	\$ 7.69
1.5"	4	\$12.82	\$ 20.51
2"	9	\$12.82	\$ 46.15
3"	21.5	\$12.82	\$ 110.25
4"	49	\$12.82	\$ 251.27

SECTION THREE.

Chapter 715, Article 1, Section 715.010: Collection and Disbursements of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven shall be repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

- A. The user charge shall generate adequate annual revenues to pay the costs of annual operations and maintenance including replacement and to pay the costs of debt obligations associated with financing the water system.
- B. The total user charge collected which is designated for the operation and maintenance including replacement purposes shall be deposited in the fund known as the Water Fund.
- C. That a portion of the total user charge collected shall be transferred to a line item known as Repair and Replacement.
 - The Repair and Replacement line item shall be designated for the purpose of ensuring replacement needs over the useful life of the water system. Transfers in the Repair and Replacement line item shall be made at least annually from the total user charge collected in the amount of One-Hundred Seven-Thousand Eight Hundred Ten Dollars and No Cents (\$107,810).

SECTION FOUR.

The City shall review the user charge system annually and revise user charge rates as necessary to ensure that the system generates adequate revenues to pay the costs of operation and

maintenance including replacement and to pay the costs of debt obligations associated with financing the water system.

SECTION FIVE.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION SIX.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval. The Schedule of Water Rates as herein established shall become effective with all volumes used during the July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 usage period.

Read two times and passed by the Board of Aldermen this _____day of June, 2024.

Approved by the Mayor this _____ day of June, 2024.

Jason Addison

Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa K. Bergner

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City Clerk