

**CITY OF BUFFALO
ORDINANCE NO. 417**

An Ordinance amending various sections of the Municipal Code of the City of Buffalo relating to
Delinquent Utility Payments

WHEREAS, from time to time it is necessary to amend the Buffalo Municipal Code to reflect changes in penalties for delinquent utility payments

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the following amendments are to be made to the Buffalo Municipal Code:

1. Section 3-3.0902 titled Billing Schedule is hereby amended to read as follows:

Bills for the rates and charges as herein established shall be sent monthly. All bills shall be payable on the first day of the month following the period of service and shall be paid at the office of the utility. If any charge for the services of the system shall not be paid by the day of the month in which it shall become due and payable, a charge of three percent (3%) of the amount of the bill shall be added thereto and collected therewith. If any bills remain unpaid thirty (30) days following the due date, the water supply for the lot, parcel of land or premises affected may, after a notice and hearing, be cut off and may not be restored except upon satisfactory payment of the delinquent charges

2. Section 3-4.0505 titled Fee is hereby amended to read as follows:

Each residence within the city limits will be charged two dollars (\$2.00) per month for recycling-related expenses incurred by the city. If the residence receives a monthly utility billing from the city, such two dollars (\$2.00) per month charge shall be added to the regular utility billing. The price of the recycling container may likewise be added to the utility bill of the residence. Each residence which does not have a utility billing from the city will be charged a once-per-year fee of twenty-four dollars (\$24.00). If any charge for this service shall not be paid by the day of the month in which it shall be come due and payable, a charge of three percent (3%) of the amount of the bill shall be added thereto and collected therewith.

3. Section 6-1.0304(3) titled Late Payment Penalty is hereby amended to read as follows:

Bills not paid when due shall be considered delinquent. If any charge for this service shall not be paid by the day of the month in which it shall be come due and payable, a charge of three percent (3%) of the amount of the bill shall be added thereto and collected therewith.

4. Section 6-9.0303(3) titled Late Payment Penalty is hereby amended to read as follows:

Bills not paid when due shall be considered delinquent. If any charge for this service shall not be paid by the day of the month in which it shall be come due and payable, a charge of three percent (3%) of the amount of the bill shall be added thereto and collected

therewith.

5. Section 6-13.0108(4) titled Late Payment Penalty is hereby created to read as follows:

Bills not paid when due shall be considered delinquent. If any charge for this service shall not be paid by the day of the month in which it shall be come due and payable, a charge of three percent (3%) of the amount of the bill shall be added thereto and collected therewith.

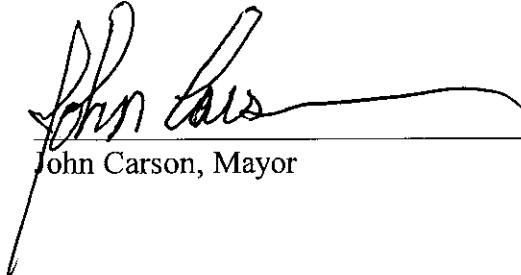
Full force and effect. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from the date of passage and publication as required by law.

Repealer. This ordinance shall be construed to repeal any prior ordinance inconsistent herewith.

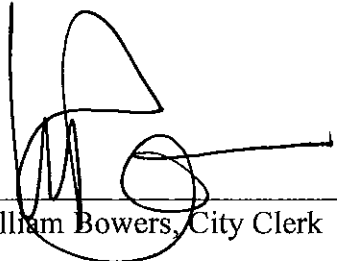
Severability of provisions. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed as separate, distinct, and independent provision as such holdings shall not be affected the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Buffalo, Iowa, the 6th day of August 2007.

Approved and signed by the Mayor of Buffalo, Iowa, the 6th day of August 2007.



John Carson, Mayor

Attest:  _____
William Bowers, City Clerk

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