

CITY OF PARIS
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-17

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE PROVIDED TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF PARIS AND AMENDING THE MONTHLY WATER METER FEE IN THE CITY

WHEREAS, in 2018 the water meter fee was established by ordinance 2018-5 to provide funding for expenses related to the 911 operating system at a rate of \$4.50/each meter;

WHEREAS, in 2024 the required contribution for enhanced 911 emergency services increased significantly from the \$228,000 to \$353,000;

WHEREAS, the required contribution for enhanced 911 emergency services has increased significantly again in the upcoming budget year to \$483,000;

WHEREAS, prior years have underfunded the need of this agency resulting in an unpaid balance due to the City;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the community to continue to fund and support these services;

WHEREAS, KRS 65.760 provides that the financial support of enhanced 911 emergency systems “may be obtained through the levy of any special tax, license or fee not in conflict with the Constitution and Statutes of this state,” and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PARIS CITY COMMISSION THAT THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR SECTION 30.011 (A) BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

(A) There is established, imposed, and implemented a monthly charge of ~~\$7.25~~ \$10.00 on every water meter providing service and located in the City of Paris, Kentucky. Every water company, water association, water district, or other entity operating a water distribution system in the City of Paris, Kentucky shall collect the established fee and remit any amount collected on not less than a monthly basis to the City of Paris. The City shall deposit the amounts received in a separate and segregated account to be used solely for the purpose of making contributions to its responsible share of funding provided to the Paris-Bourbon County E911 Board for 911 emergency operations as permitted by statute or other law.

The foregoing ordinance shall take effect on the bill generated for July 31, 2025, due on August 15 2025.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and read for the first time at the City Commission’s regular meeting of June 10, 2025. Read for the second time, adopted and approved at its regular meeting of June 24, 2025.

John A. Plummer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Settles, City Clerk