ORDINANCE NO. 2009-03-023

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF URBANA SCHEDULE OF FEES TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL FEE FOR AMBULANCE PERMITS

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana ("the City") has a population in excess of 25,000 people and is, therefore, a home rule municipality per the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and the State of Illinois statutes;

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana regulates and licenses ambulance services that are located in, and conduct business within, its jurisdictional limits;

WHEREAS, the City Fire Department incurs certain costs incident to its necessary and orderly cooperation with said services, including supply costs and personnel training costs;

WHEREAS, the City wishes to recoup those costs from the said ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, the City currently charges an annual fee for ambulance service licenses per §3.5-31(b) of the Code of Ordinances, and said fee is currently inordinately low; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, the City raises fee amounts to level that are in line with the costs attendent to the activities being regulated; and

WHEREAS, the City of Champaign, similarly, wishes to raise its ambulance service license fee in an amount identical to the City of Urbana;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1:

Section B, subsection (4)(h), of the City of Urbana Schedule of Fees shall be, and is hereby, amended as follows:

The current ambulance licensing fee shall be raised to the amount of \$15,000.00. The current \$150.00 fee is repealed.

Section 2:

This Ordinance, as amended, shall be in full force and effect, and shall be controlling, on July 1, 2009. The new licensing fee shall be paid in four (4) equal quarterly payments, beginning July 1, 2009, with each subsequent payment due on the first day of each quarter thereafter.

Section 3:

If, after the passage of this Ordinance, the City of Champaign does not pass an Ordinance raising their fee to the same amount as the City of Urbana within sixty (60) days, this Ordinance shall be automatically repealed, and the previous licensing fee of \$150.00 shall be in full effect.

Section 4:

All ordinances, or parts of ordinances thereof, which are in conflict with the provisions of any portion of this Ordinance, as amended, are hereby repealed to the extent of any conflict.

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