ORDINANCE NO. 20230124-012

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A FEE TO DEFRAY COSTS OF COLLECTING DELINQUENT UTILITY ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE.

WHEREAS, the City of Angleton, pursuant to Subchapter A of Chapter 51, Texas Local Government Code, may adopt an ordinance that is for the good government, peace, or order of the municipality and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of a municipality, pursuant to Subchapter A of Chapter 54, Texas Local Government Code, may enforce each rule or ordinance of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the City of Angleton, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 552.001(b), may purchase, construct, or operate a utility system and may regulate the system in a manner that protects the interests of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the public interest to ensure the prompt payment of delinquent utility accounts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Angleton has entered into a contract with a private firm to provide services for the collection of debts and accounts receivable related to delinquent utility accounts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANGLETON THAT:

SECTION 1. There shall be imposed an additional fee of twenty percent (20%) on all debts and accounts receivable, i.e. fines, fees, restitution, other debts, and costs, that are more than sixty (60) days past due and have been referred to a private firm for collection, and that relate to delinquent utility accounts owed to the City.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 24TH DAY OF JANUARY 2023.

CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS

Jason Perez Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Perez, TRMC City Secretary