

ORDINANCE NO. 05-23

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF THE CAMDEN CODE;
ESTABLISHING RATES AND PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTION OF
GARBAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN,
ARKANSAS, THAT:**

WHEREAS, the fees for collecting garbage from commercial customers has not been increased since 2003; and

WHEREAS, the costs of picking up garbage from commercial customers has increased significantly; and

WHEREAS, the rates for commercial customers should to be adjusted to adequately compensate for the costs of the service; and

WHEREAS, the use of trash containers has changed since the City last addressed garbage collection; and

WHEREAS, the rates for special garbage pickups have not been increased in numerous years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:**

SECTION 1: Section 11-16 of the Camden Code of Ordinances is amended by deleting the second paragraph defining “back door collection”.

SECTION 2: Subsection (e) of Section 11-20 of the Camden Code of Ordinances regarding fees for commercial collection is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following:

(e) Schools, churches, businesses or industrial establishments, with the exception of downtown zoning district C-3 (central business district), shall pay the following monthly fees to the city for removal of garbage and trash:

- (1) Each service unit, per cubic yard \$ 16.00
Minimum monthly fee, per using establishment \$ 19.00
Monthly fee for downtown central business district \$ 24.00

(2) Collection charge per month:

| | 1 pickup per week | 2 pickups per week | 3 pickups per week | 4 pickups per week | 5 pickups per week |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 3 yard container | \$ 48.00 | \$ 96.00 | \$ 144.00 | \$ 192.00 | \$ 240.00 |
| 4 yard container | \$ 64.00 | \$ 128.00 | \$ 192.00 | \$ 256.00 | \$ 320.00 |

SECTION 3: Section 11-33 of the Camden Code of Ordinances is amended by adding the following language to the end of the Section:

“Commercial dumpsters must be placed on a solid surface. A surcharge fee of \$2.00 per month will be added to the bill for each dumpster not in compliance.”

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2024.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

Mayor

City Clerk