

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE FEE ORDINANCE NO. 2025-020 FOR THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE, TEXAS; MORE PARTICULARLY THE KIOSK UTILITY FEES AT THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Castroville, Texas finds that a 3.5 % convenience fee shall be assessed for a credit and debit card charge at the City of Castroville Public Library for all utility payments made at that kiosk location; and

WHEREAS, the City Council understands the cost of operating the kiosk each year; and

WHEREAS, said costs have been paid for by the City of Castroville in previous years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to pass those costs along to the consumer who chooses to use the kiosk and is therefore adding this convenience fee to pay for said costs associated with operating the utilities kiosk; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE, TEXAS:

Section 1. Severability Clause.

Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is expressly provided that any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. The City hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 2. Code of Ordinances.

It is the intention of the City Council that this Ordinance shall become a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City upon adoption, and this Ordinance may be renumbered and codified accordingly.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

CASTROVILLE, TEXAS, this 19th day of November, 2025.

ATTEST:

Debra Howe, City Secretary

Bruce Alexander, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel C. Jones, City Attorney

COMPREHENSIVE FEE ORDINANCE No. 2025-020

Utility Fees

ADD:

A 3.5% convenience fee for all credit and debit card usage for utility payments shall be added to the kiosk located at the City of Castroville Public Library.