

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF IOWA COLONY, TEXAS,
AUTHORIZING A THREE DOLLAR INCREASE TO THE VOLUNTARY
MONTHLY FIRE SERVICE CONTRIBUTION INCLUDED ON WATER
UTILITY BILLS, SUPPORTING THE IOWA COLONY VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND ENCOURAGING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL EMERGENCY SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Iowa Colony Volunteer Fire Department provides essential fire protection and emergency response services to the residents and businesses of the City of Iowa Colony; and

WHEREAS, the City of Iowa Colony recognizes the vital role the Fire Department plays in ensuring the safety and well-being of the community through volunteer service, rapid response, and fire prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City currently includes a voluntary monthly fire service contribution on utility bills to support the Iowa Colony Volunteer Fire Department's operations and equipment needs; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has initiated a public awareness campaign titled "What Will Your \$72 Do For You?" to illustrate the tangible impact of annual contributions, highlighting that a total yearly contribution of \$72 per household (\$6 per month) helps provide critical resources such as firefighter training, updated protective gear, life-saving rescue tools, and equipment maintenance; and

WHEREAS, to enhance support for these vital services, the City Council desires to authorize an increase of three dollars to the existing voluntary contribution, resulting in a total suggested monthly contribution of six dollars per account; and

WHEREAS, the increase will remain voluntary and will serve to strengthen the ability of the Iowa Colony Volunteer Fire Department to serve a growing community and to respond effectively to emergencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IOWA COLONY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council hereby authorizes a voluntary increase of three dollars (\$3.00) to the monthly fire service contribution included on residential and commercial water utility bills, for a new suggested total of six dollars (\$6.00) per month.

SECTION 2. That the City encourages residents and utility customers to participate in this voluntary program and supports the Iowa Colony Volunteer Fire Department's ongoing mission to protect lives and property within the community.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, and City staff is authorized to implement the necessary changes to utility billing systems to reflect this updated voluntary contribution amount.

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED ON JULY 21, 2025

City of Iowa Colony, Texas
By: Wil Kennedy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary