

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4-103 OF ARTICLE IV OF THE DEVELOPMENT
REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA RELATED TO NATURAL GAS /
PIPELINE SALES**

The City Council of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia hereby amends Section 4-103 of Article IV of the Development Regulations of the City of Lawrenceville by deleting subsection (3) entitled Natural Gas Rates in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

4-103 Pipeline Sales

(3) Natural Gas Rates

- (a) Base Rate: The base rate for natural gas charges to all customers shall be the actual cost of gas per unit paid, including any other charges for services by the City of Lawrenceville. The rate per unit is calculated by the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia and submitted to the City in the form of an invoice for all natural gas units consumed by the City of Lawrenceville natural gas system. The invoice of the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia shall include all costs of transportation, subscribed services and all other charges including the units of natural gas consumed. The calculation shall be reduced to a unit measure of 1,000 cubic feet ("MCF").
- (b) Surcharge: In addition to the cost calculated pursuant to part (a) of this paragraph, an additional surcharge of \$4.00 per MCF (1,000 cubic feet) shall be charged to each customer for each MCF used. This surcharge is the cost charged by the City of Lawrenceville for providing the services from the point of delivery of the units to the City on the transportation system to the customers' residential or commercial site for utilization. There shall be no differentiation between the cost charged to customers inside the City limits of Lawrenceville and those customers outside of the City limits of Lawrenceville. This rate is subject to modification after a public hearing before the Mayor and Council of the City of Lawrenceville, which meeting shall be properly advertised for the purpose of notification of gas customers.
- (c) Base Charge: In addition to the costs in part (b) an additional monthly base fee will be charged as follows:
 - i. Residential Customers:
 - i. \$22.00 - beginning September 1, 2020

- ii. \$23.00 - beginning September 1, 2021
 - iii. \$24.00 - beginning September 1, 2022
- ii. Commercial Customers:
- i. Commercial customers with meter sizes and volume ranging from 250 cubic feet per hour (CFH) through 1,500 cubic feet per hour (CFH), the following base charges will apply:
 - i. \$28.00 – beginning September 1, 2020
 - ii. \$29.00 – beginning September 1, 2021
 - iii. \$30.00 – beginning September 1, 2022
 - ii. For customers requiring a large volume of gas and larger meter, the following base charges will apply:
 - i. 1.5M Meter (+/-1,500 CFH) - \$ 38.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - ii. 2M Meter (+/-2,000 CFH) - \$ 38.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - iii. 3M Meter (+/-3,000 CFH) - \$ 40.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - iv. 5M Meter (+/-5,000 CFH) - \$ 65.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - v. 7M Meter (+/-7,000 CFH) - \$ 65.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - vi. 11M Meter (+/-11,000 CFH) - \$ 65.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - vii. 16M Meter (+/-16,000 CFH) - \$ 200.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
 - viii. 23M Meter (+/-23,000 CFH) - \$ 225.00 - beginning September 1, 2020
- (2) Dual Fuel Customers:
- i. \$27.00 – beginning September 1, 2020 for customers that pay a \$500 up front demand charge
 - ii. \$28.00 – beginning September 1, 2021 for customers that pay a \$500 up front demand charge
 - iii. \$29.00 – beginning September 1, 2022 for customers that pay a \$500 up front demand charge
 - iv. \$32.00 – beginning September 1, 2020 for customers that do not pay the \$500 up front demand charge
 - v. \$33.00 – beginning September 1, 2021 for customers that do not pay the \$500 up front demand charge
 - vi. \$34.00 – beginning September 1, 2022

- (d) Special Rates: The department head of the City of Lawrenceville Gas Department is authorized to enter into specific contracts with customers for gas rates that differ from paragraph (a), (b) and (c) above in the event the customer can demonstrate that they utilize a large quantity of natural gas during off-season periods when demand is lower and the utilization of the natural gas assists the City in covering the cost of transportation. In addition, the department head shall be authorized to enter into contracts with large volume customers at preferred rates. The above base rates shall apply to these customers based upon size of meter and gas volume. This special rate procedure shall only be authorized after a written agreement is submitted to the Mayor and Council for review and formal adoption of a specialized rate must be justified by the circumstances after a public hearing before the Mayor and Council. As of the adoption of this ordinance, the City has a special rate for Publix Distribution Center facility, Ricoh and the Gwinnett County Hospital System. Contracts with these three specialized users are hereby approved consistent with the contracts that have already been reviewed by the Mayor and Council. Specialized contracts for specialized rates must be reduced to writing and be available for review at the City of Lawrenceville Gas Department.

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED that the other and remaining provisions of Section 4-103 shall continue unchanged and in full force and effect.

IT IS SO ORDAINED, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

David R. Still, Mayor

Attest: _____

Karen Pierce, City Clerk