

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-10

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2020-7 TO ASSESS A SERVICE FEE FOR DISCONNECTIONS FROM THE MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS SYSTEM RESULTING FROM NONPAYMENT OF CHARGES OR FEES AUTHORIZED BY TOWN ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-1-3 et. seq. confers upon units of government within the State of Indiana such powers as necessary or desirable to conduct the affairs of local government;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-4-6-18 authorizes the Town Council of the Town of Westport, Indiana (“Town”) to pass such ordinances, orders, resolutions and motions as may be necessary and proper for the governmental unit to fulfill and satisfy the responsibilities and duties of said governmental unit;

WHEREAS, the Town Council previously adopted Ordinance No. 2020-7 updating the schedule of rates and charges collected by the Town of Westport, Indiana, from the owners of property served by the water works of said Town and other matters connected therewith; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Council to amend Ordinance No. 2020-7 to assess a service fee for disconnections from the municipal water works system resulting from nonpayment of charges and fees authorized by Town Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WESTPORT, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 2020-7, Section 2 Phase II is hereby amended to add subsection (p) which shall read as follows:

p) Disconnection Fee for Nonpayment

A disconnection fee shall be assessed in the amount of sixty dollars (\$60.00) for any water service that is discontinued to any property serviced by the water utility due to the user’s failure to pay sewer or water charges or fees authorized under this Ordinance. The disconnection fee under this section shall be in the amount of ninety dollars (\$90.00) if the disconnection is performed on the weekend or outside of normal working hours.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Town Council.