

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02-04

A RESOLUTION IMPOSING AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE CHARGE FOR EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO

WHEREAS, since 1998, the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, pursuant to C.R.S. 29-11-102(2)(a), has authorized and imposed an emergency telephone charge on service users with an address in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City may impose an emergency telephone charge up to the amount authorized by the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC"); and,

WHEREAS, costs to maintain the City's essential emergency response capability have continued to rise over the years; and,

WHEREAS, the PUC last raised the annual threshold rate in September of 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2022, the PUC established the new annual threshold rate for the emergency telephone charge as \$1.97; and,

WHEREAS, Morgan County provides emergency telephone service, or 911 service, through its communication center; and

WHEREAS, providing emergency telephone service within the City through the Morgan County Communications Center is important to improving the response time of emergency services such as law enforcement, fire protection and ambulance service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO THAT:

SECTION 1:

1. The City Council of Fort Morgan delegates to the Morgan County Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC") the authority granted to Fort Morgan pursuant to C.R.S. § 29-11-102(2)(a) to impose a surcharge for 911 access upon each service user whose address is within the City's jurisdiction. The BOCC is hereby authorized to impose the 911 surcharge annually within the boundaries of the City, subject to the limitations herein.

2. The BOCC may raise the 911 surcharge under this delegation annually up to the amount designated by the PUC.

3. This delegation of authority shall expire upon the increase of the 911 surcharge, as designated by the PUC, to an amount more than \$4.00 or 10 years from the date of this Resolution, whichever occurs first.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 21st day of February, 2023, the vote upon roll call being as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Deal, Councilmember Garcia, Kaper, Parks, Schossow and Urdiales

Nays: None

Absent /Abstain: Councilmember Anderson, Absent (excused)



THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO

BY: Lyn Deal
Lyn Deal, Mayor

ATTEST:

John Brennan
John Brennan, City Clerk
STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF MORGAN) ss.
CITY OF FORT MORGAN)

CERTIFICATE

I, John Brennan, City Clerk of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing **Resolution** is a true, perfect and complete copy of the **Resolution** adopted by the City Council and is identical to the original thereof appearing in the official records of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, and that the same has not been, since its adoption, in any respect, rescinded or amended.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Fort Morgan this 21st day of February 2023.

John Brennan
John Brennan, City Clerk