

ORDINANCE NO. 971

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING MONTHLY BILLING TO CERTAIN PROPERTIES FOR HYDRANT MAINTENANCE, TRASH SERVICE, AND STORM-WATER FEES AND APPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 952
WHEREAS, it has been the long-standing policy of the North Vernon Utility

Service Board and of the North Vernon Common Council to implement policies that protect the environment and the health of its citizenry;

WHEREAS, there exists properties within the City limits that have been disconnected from water service and are nonetheless being provided with hydrant maintenance, storm-water control, and sanitary refuse service;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of those who benefit from said services to bear responsibility for the expense of the same;

WHEREAS, ethical concerns dictate that those properties that have no structures upon them and do no benefit from sanitary refuse service should not have to pay for that service.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City of North Vernon that all properties that have been provided with a water meter in the past but have become disconnected from said service shall be billed monthly for hydrant maintenance for fire protection, storm-water control, and sanitary trash services in accordance with the currently established rates.

If there is no structure on the property, upon written notification sent by the U.S. Postal Service, commercial delivery service, or hand delivery to the North Vernon Utilities office (143 E. Walnut Street, North Vernon, IN 47265) and physical verification of the matter to be done within ten (10) business days by North Vernon Utilities from the

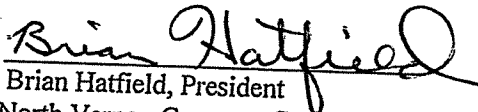
receipt of said notice, the applicable property shall be excused from payment of hydrant maintenance for fire protection. If a structure is erected on the property or the service is utilized, the property owner shall notify the Utility Office of this change within ten (10) business days prior to the construction and the rate shall go back to normal. Failure to comply with this requirement can result in an enforcement action and civil penalties against the owner.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of North Vernon that Ordinance Number 952 and dated March 14, 2016 is repealed hereby.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage and upon proper publication. Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the city of North Vernon, Indiana, on the 25th day of June 2018.


This Ordinance having been proposed for adoption, the Common Council voted 5 for adoption and 0 against adoption.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the city of North Vernon, Indiana, on this 25th day of June 2018.


Brian Hatfield, President
North Vernon Common Council

Attest:

I, Raymond S. Gerkin, Clerk-Treasurer of the City of North Vernon, Indiana, attest to the passage of this resolution. The resolution was passed on to Michael Ochs, Mayor of North Vernon, on this 25th ^{June} day of 2018.


Raymond S. Gerkin, Clerk-Treasurer
City of North Vernon, Indiana

Approved:

This ordinance, having been passed by the Common Council, is hereby approved
by me as Mayor of the City of North Vernon, Indiana. So approved on this 25th July
day of
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Michael Ochs, Mayor
City of North Vernon, Indiana

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JENNINGS COUNTY




CERTIFICATION OF COPY OF PUBLIC RECORD

I, Raymond S. Gerkin, Clerk-Treasurer of the city of North Vernon, Indiana, hereby certify the following:

1. By law, I have custody of the seal and the records of the city of North Vernon, Indiana
2. The document attached to this Certificate is a true and correct copy of Amended Ordinance # 971, consisting of three (3) pages, duly passed and enacted by the City of North Vernon, Indiana, at its public meeting on June 25, 2018.
3. This Ordinance has not been repealed or rescinded and remains in full force and effect as of this date.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the City of North Vernon, Indiana, this 25 day of June 2018.


 Raymond S. Gerkin, Clerk-Treasurer
 City of North Vernon, Indiana