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**THE VILLAGE OF COAL CITY**  
GRUNDY & WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

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SANITARY SEWER RATES AND RELATED CHARGES  
EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024**

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**WHEREAS**, the Village of Coal City (“Village”) is an Illinois non-home rule municipal corporation, organized and operating pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois;

**WHEREAS**, the Village has authority, pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code, to own, operate and maintain a potable water distribution system, providing potable water to the residents of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has authority, pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code, to own, operate and maintain a sanitary sewer system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village does own, operate and maintain a sanitary sewer system and potable water system providing sanitary sewer services and potable water to the residents of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village is authorized to establish, revise and maintain rates and charges for water and wastewater and for the services associated therewith; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has heretofore established rates and charges for its water and sewer services in accordance with the formulas set forth in Section 51-160 of the Village Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village borrows for certain capital improvement projects that improve water capacity and volume across the Coal City Fire Protection District to include an IEPA approved, 2022 Water Treatment Plant Expansion, for which the Village is to retain revenues remitted throughout the fiscal year preparing to remit an estimated \$297,054 per year awaiting final closure upon the IEPA-approved loan for the aforementioned project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village is currently holding \$230,033 from proceeds contributed in FY24 for the debt obligation expected to be recorded at the conclusion of the Water Treatment Plant Expansion requiring a 2.5% increase within the approved rates in order to collect the expected

annual debt obligation proceeds; and

**WHEREAS**, after careful consideration, the Village Board has determined that it is necessary, and in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Coal City, to amend the Village Code to increase the water and sewer rates as provided herein.

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board desires to formally approve the rate changes contained herein by ordinance and to ratify all prior actions of the Village in revising water and sewer rates from time to time.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Coal City, Counties of Will and Grundy, Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION 1. Recitals.** The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth in this Section 1. The President and Village Board (“Corporate Authorities”) hereby find that the foregoing recitals are a full, complete and accurate representation of the purpose and intent of this Ordinance, direct that the Ordinance be liberally construed to accomplish the purpose and intent herein described, and incorporate the recitals the same as though fully set forth herein. In the event that any provision or application of this Ordinance is found invalid or unenforceable, it is the desire of the Corporate Authorities for the court making such finding to treat the remaining provisions and alternate applications as severable from the invalidity or unenforceability and to remain in full force and effect to the maximum extent permitted by law.

**SECTION 2. Revised Schedule of Rates and Charges.**

The Village Code is hereby amended effective April 1, 2024 by adding those rates within Appendix A to the “Table of Fees & Fines” codified as Table 1 within Chapter 10 of the Village Code. Appendix A, as such shall be in force and effect, shall be available for public inspection at the Office of the Village Clerk.

**SECTION 3. Rate Effective Date, Ratification.** The water and sewer rates established herein are hereby approved and ratified, *nunc pro tunc*, and shall be in full force and effect for water bills issued by the Village of Coal City on and after April 1, 2024. All prior actions undertaken by the Village Administrator and Village Board to adopt or establish rates and charges for water and sewer service consistent with the rates and charges set forth herein are hereby approved and ratified.

**SECTION 4. Resolution of Conflicts.**

All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 5. Saving Clause.** If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance, which are hereby declared to be separable.

**SECTION 6. Effectiveness.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.


SO ORDAINED this 13 day of March, 2024, at Coal City, Grundy and Will Counties, Illinois.

AYES: 6  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0

**VILLAGE OF COAL CITY**

  
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David A. Spesia, President

Attest:

  
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Alexis Stone, Clerk