

**CITY OF UNION CITY
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 397
OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY
ENTITLED "TOWING"**

WHEREAS, Chapter 397 of the Code of the City of Union City (the "Code") entitled "Towing" sets forth the provisions governing towing and the fees that can be charged for these services; and

WHEREAS, Section 397-24 of the ordinance requires that every towing operator post the rates that they charge for all of the different services that they provide; and

WHEREAS, Section 397-25 states that the towing operator can only charge up to the rates set forth in Section 397-23 of the City ordinance; and

WHEREAS, there have been complaints raised that the rates charged for the services provided by the towing operator are not broken down in the bill receipt provided to the individual so that it is impossible to tell if the towing operator is complying with the maximum charges set by the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners believe that it is vital that each private individual, that is provided with towing services, be able to review the bill issued by the towing operator to confirm that the operator is complying with the rates set forth in the City ordinance and therefore an itemized bill should be issued for all services rendered to the individual.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION ONE

Chapter 397 entitled "Towing" of the Code of the City of Union City is hereby amended and revised to delete the following Section:

Section 397-25 Uniform Rates

Any towing operator responding to a request for towing or storage services by a private party shall not exceed the maximum rates listed in Section 397-23

Summary of Ordinance

This ordinance requires towing operators to provide private parties with an itemized bill for services provided and a print out of the cost of each service provided.