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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-21**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TEMPORARY PARTIAL PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR PAST DUE UTILITY BILLS INCURRED AS A RESULT OF COVID-19 HARDSHIPS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of St. Clairsville, Ohio:

**WHEREAS**, in the Codified Ordinances of the City of St. Clairsville, Ohio, Chapter 945, Termination of Services, Section 945.05(b), the City of St. Clairsville established a Partial Payment Program for unpaid Utility bills, which reads as follows:

945.05 EXTENSION OF DUE DATE; PARTIAL PAYMENT PROGRAM.

(b) The Partial Payment Program is as follows:

First Month: Current bill plus 1/3 of the arrears

Second Month: Current bill plus 1/3 of the arrears

Third Month: Current bill plus the balance of the arrears

(Ord. 2003-39. Passed 7-21-03.)

**WHEREAS**, City Council chooses to authorize the establishment of a Temporary Partial Payment Program for past due utility bills incurred as a result of Covid-19 hardships allowing for a five (5) part payment program which shall be as follows:

First Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears

Second Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears

Third Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears

Fourth Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears

Fifth Month: Current bill plus the balance of the arrears

**WHEREAS**, City Council chooses to allow the Temporary Partial Payment Program to be offered to utility customers with past due utility bills up until July 13, 2020, after which time the only partial payment program to be offered by the St. Clairsville Municipal Utilities office shall be the existing partial payment program as authorized in in the Codified Ordinances of the City of St. Clairsville, Ohio, Chapter 945, Termination of Services, Section 945.05(b).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. CLAIRSVILLE, OHIO:**

**Section 1:** That City Council authorizes the establishment of a Temporary Partial Payment Program for past due utility bills incurred as a result of Covid-19 hardships allowing for a five (5) part payment program which shall be as follows:

First Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears

Second Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears

Third Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears  
Fourth Month: Current bill plus 1/5 of the arrears  
Fifth Month: Current bill plus the balance of the arrears

**Section 2:** City Council authorizes the Temporary Partial Payment Program to be offered to utility customers with past due utility bills up until July 13, 2020, after which time the only partial payment program to be offered by the St. Clairsville Municipal Utilities office shall be the existing partial payment program as authorized in in the Codified Ordinances of the City of St. Clairsville, Ohio, Chapter 945, Termination of Services, Section 945.05(b).

**Section 3:** That this Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and economic well being of the residents of the City of St. Clairsville, so that the City can maintain normal operations.

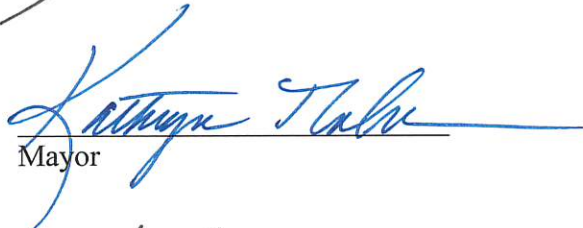
**Section 4:** That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by the Charter of the City of St. Clairsville, Ohio.

PASSED at a meeting of the Council of the City of St. Clairsville on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020, by the affirmative vote of 7 members of the council.

Passed: June 15, 2020

  
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President of Council

Approved: June 15, 2020

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk of Council