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ORDINANCE 01-33

TO AMEND TITLE 15 OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"
(Adjusting Towing and Storage Fees for Vehicles that Require Emergency Removal (Chapter 15.48) or are Abandoned (Chapter 15.52)

WHEREAS, Title 15 of the Bloomington Municipal Code sets forth the provisions for emergency removal and impoundment of vehicles in the City of Bloomington; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Police Department contracts with various towing services in Monroe County in order to remove said vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Title 15 of the Bloomington Municipal Code sets forth the maximum charges for towing and storage of vehicles by authorized towing services; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing towing services to the Bloomington Police Department has risen;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I. Section 15.48.030 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, regarding the "Towing and storage charges" for "Emergency Removal and Impoundment of Vehicles," shall be amended in the following manner:

A. The first sentence in that provision shall be deleted and replaced with the following sentence:

> The maximum amount that an authorized towing service may charge for hooking up, towing or removing a vehicle under this chapter may not exceed fifty-five dollars during the day, and sixty-five dollars during the night, except where special treatment may be required.
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> And,

B. The last sentence in that provision shall be deleted and replaced it with the following sentence:

> The maximum amount that may be charged for storage of wrecked vehicles shall not exceed fifteen dollars per day, and the maximum amount that may be charged for storage of all other vehicles shall not exceed ten dollars per day.

SECTION II. Section 15.52.060 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, regarding the "Maximum towing and storage charges" for "Abandoned Vehicles," shall be amended in the following manner:

A. The first sentence in that provision shall be deleted and replaced with the following sentence:

> The maximum amount that an authorized towing service may charge for hooking up, towing or removing a vehicle under this chapter may not exceed fifty-five dollars during the day, and sixty-five dollars during the night, except where special treatment may be required.
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> And,

B. The last sentence in that provision shall be deleted and replaced it with the following sentence:

> The maximum amount that may be charged for storage of wrecked vehicles shall not exceed fifteen dollars per day, and the maximum amount that may be charged for storage of all other vehicles shall not exceed ten dollars per day.

SECTION III. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after its passage by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 3rd day of October, 2001.

Patricia Cole
PATRICIA COLE, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Regina Moore
REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 4th day of October, 2001.

Regina Moore
REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 4 day of October, 2001.

JOHN FERNANDEZ, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance raises the maximum amount an authorized towing service may charge for towing vehicles at the request of the City from forty-five dollars to fifty-five dollars during the day and from fifty-five dollars to sixty-five dollars during the night. It also changes the maximum amount that may be charged for storage of such vehicles from eight dollars fifty cents to ten dollars per day for non-wrecked vehicles and to fifteen dollars a day for wrecked vehicles.

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