## CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE 2008-19

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2007-01, "AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, FEES, GUIDELINES AND RATES FOR WATER & SEWER SERVICE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY AND CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND REPEALER CLAUSE, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE" BY CREATING A NEW SECTION ESTABLISHING A WATER RATE DISCOUNT FOR LOW-INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS, LOW-INCOME DISABLED CITIZENS; AND CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, REPEALER CLAUSE, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the City Council believes offering a \$10 per month discount on water charges to eligible low-income Senior Citizen ratepayers and low-income disabled ratepayers would be in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Russellville;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL IN AND FOR THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

## I. SECTION G IS HEREBY AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR A NEW SUBSECTION TO READ AS FOLLOW:

- 16. <u>Low-Income Senior Ratepayer and Low-Income Disabled Ratepayer Program: this</u> program is available for eligible ratepayers to receive a \$10.00 monthly discount on water charges (note: this does not apply to sewer, garbage or other charges).
  - a. this applies only to the primary residence of eligible ratepayer.
  - b. the water service must be in the name of the eligible ratepayer.
  - c. the ratepayer's monthly household income limits are as follows:

1 in household	\$1,107
2 in household	1,484
3 in household	1,861
4 in household	2,238
5 in household	2,615
6 in household	2,992
7 in household	3,369
8 in household	3,746

For families with more than 8 in the household, add \$377 per person.

- d. the low-income ratepayer must be medically certified as having a total permanent disability; or be 65 years of age or older; and must be head of household.
- e. the ratepayer must be a homeowner or lessee of the residence.
- f. the residence may not be used as a business to be eligible for the program.
- g. <u>ratepayers desiring to participate must apply for the discount at the Mayor's</u> <u>office located at 168 South Main Street with the following information:</u>
  - i. driver's license or valid Kentucky Identification Card;
  - ii. proof of last month's income;
  - iii. proof of disability, e.g., doctor's statement (if applicable)

**II. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, subsection, or clause of this ordinance shall be deemed to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, and clauses shall not be affected.

**III. REPEALER CLAUSE.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**IV. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be effective upon its passage and publication as required by law.

**FIRST READING** conducted on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2008. **SECOND READING AND PASSAGE** on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2008.

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GENE ZICK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BOB RIGGS, CITY CLERK

Ayes: Davenport, Lanny; McPherson, Lanny; Phillips, Chuck; Stratton, Mark; Whipple, Jack. Nays: none. Absent: Jones, Russell. Abstaining: none.