

RESOLUTION NO. 17- 03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE DELIVERY AND FUNDING OF STORMWATER RELATED ESSENTIAL SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY, ESTABLISHING A STORMWATER UTILITY FEE; PROVIDING FOR A METHOD OF COLLECTION; ENACTING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SUCH FEES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield, Florida (the City") is committed to operating a stormwater management system as the City continues to grow; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2017, the City passed Ordinance 537, establishing a stormwater utility for a stormwater management system that the City has operated and maintained since that time to provide for the collection and disposal of stormwater and regulation of groundwater; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 537 authorized the City Commission to establish just and equitable rates, fees and charges for the charges and facilities provided by the system to sites within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, after careful consideration of the budget and operating costs of the system and the experience of other similarly situated cities, finds that the establishment of a stormwater utility fee will be in the best interests of the City and its residents, is equitable, and does not impose an unfair burden on any citizen; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to immediately establish a utility fee for Residential Developed Properties at a flat rate of \$1.00 per household per month and to assess such utility fee on the water bills sent by City to users of that system; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to immediately establish a utility fee for Non-Residential Developed Properties at a flat rate of \$5.00 per commercial, industrial, institutional, professional, and master-metered establishments and to assess such utility fee on the water bills sent by City to users of that system; and

WHEREAS, the City finds and determines that in order to provide for the equitable assessment of utility fees against all users of the City's stormwater

(d) The City does hereby levy and assess the following charges and fees, which are to be collected by and payable to the City, for services to users of the City's stormwater system, which charges are hereinafter designated, and the said users shall pay for said services the sums so designated at the same time as the payment for water services shall be made as provided by the ordinances for the City and which charges shall be assessed upon the utility bill of all users, and the said user shall pay charges as hereinafter set forth as follows and which may be amended from time to time by the City Council by resolution:

- (i) Residential Developed Property, dollars per month or portion of each month\$1.00
- (ii) Non-residential Developed Property, dollars per month or portion of each month.....\$5.00
- (iii) Undeveloped Property, Reserved.

(e) The City shall maintain a separate accounting of the revenues and expenditures of the stormwater utility fees collected.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.


PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 5th day of June, 2017.

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA



Ralph Hammond, Mayor

ATTEST:



D. Lee Penton, City Clerk