## City of La Cygne, Kansas ORDINANCE NO. 1519

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XIV, ARTICLE 6, SECTION 14-613 ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS BY ADDING 14-613(d), 14-613(d)(1) 14-613(e), 14-613(f) AND ADDING SECTION 14-616 RETURNED CHECKS, ELECTRONIC CHECKS, CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS, AND ACH PAYMENTS AND LINES (a)(b)(c)(d)(e) AND SECTION 14-617 ON-LINE ELECTRONIC PAYMENT AND CREDIT/DEBIT CARD PAYMENTS AND LINES (a)(b)(c) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LACYGNE, KANSAS, RELATING TO SOLID WASTE BILLS.

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LACYGNE, KANSAS:

Section 1: That Section 14-613(d) and (d)(1); 14-613(e); 14-613(f) and Section 14-616 (a)(b)(c)(d)(e); and Section 14-617(a)(b)(c) of Chapter XIV, Article 6, are hereby added to read:

### 14-613 Additional rules and regulations.

- d) EFFECTIVE January 1, 2024, at the time of making application for Solid waste services, the property owner or customer shall make a deposit of \$75.00 to secure payment of accrued bills or bills due on discontinuance of service.
  - 1. The deposit so made shall be kept by the city clerk in a separate account and deposited in a fund designated "solid waste deposit fund". Interest shall be payable at the rate determined state corporation commission yearly and credited to the customer's account January  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  of each calendar year.
  - 2. Upon the discontinuance of Solid waste service at the request of the depositor, the deposit shall be refunded, therefore together with the accrued interest thereon less any amount due and owing the city for services furnished prior thereto.
- e) Solid waste services will be discontinued after 60-days of non-payment.
- f) Customers of Solid waste services discontinued after 60-days of nonpayment are ineligible to apply for Solid waste services for a period not to exceed (12) months.

## 14-616 Returned Checks, Electronic Checks, Credit/Debit Cards, and ACH payments.

- a) All returned payments shall be paid in cash within 7-days of notice of the return of payment.
- b) Unpaid accounts after the 7-day period shall be disconnected. Disconnected utility accounts must be paid in full including all fees to be reinstated.
- c) A utility account shall be placed on a cash-only-basis after the second occurrence of returned payment within a 12-month period.

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- d) Unpaid utility accounts due to a return of payment which are not paid within 30-days shall be terminated.
- e) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this section shall be fined as outlined in statute K.S.A. 21-5821 and as set in the city's fee resolution.

#### 14-617 On-line Electronic Payment and Credit/Debit Card Payment

- a) On-line electronic payment must be paid at least 5-days in advance of the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to avoid penalties and at least 5-days in advance of the 30<sup>th</sup> of the month to avoid utility account shut-offs.
- b) Credit/Debit Card Payments for utility bills paid within 5-days of the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month shall be paid by 8:30am(CST) by phone or in the City Hall to avoid penalty charges.
- c) Credit/Debit Card Payments for utility bills paid within 5-days of the 30<sup>th</sup> of the month shall be paid by 8:30am(CST) by phone or in the City Hall to avoid utility account shut-off.
- <u>Section 2.</u> **That** all ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed accordingly.
- <u>Section 3.</u> **That** this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its publication in the official city newspaper of the City of LaCygne, Kansas.

**PASSED** by the Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023 **APPROVED** by the Mayor this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023 **ADOPTED** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023.

Debra Wilson	
ATTEST:	
Jodi Wade, City Clerk	