

ORDINANCE NO. 133-20**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 917.06 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, OHIO RELATIVE TO LATE PAYMENT PENALTIES OF UTILITY BILLS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS: That Section 917.06 of the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio presently reads as follows:

917.06 LATE PAYMENT PENALTY.

A ten percent (10%) penalty shall be added to the outstanding balance of any utility bill not paid on time. The penalty shall be assessed to the outstanding balance of any account not paid by month-end due date. Month-end due date shall be determined by the Director of Finance. (Ord. 56-96. Passed 3-25-96.)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, OHIO:

SEC. 1: That Section 917.06 of the codified ordinances of the City of Medina, Ohio shall be amended to read as follows:

917.06 LATE PAYMENT PENALTY.

(a) A ten percent (10%) penalty shall be added to the outstanding balance of any utility bill not paid on time. The penalty shall be assessed to the outstanding balance of any account not paid by month-end due date. Month-end due date shall be determined by the Director of Finance. (Ord. 56-96. Passed 3-25-96.)

(b) Penalties under sections 917.06 (a) and 941.09 for the months of March through June of 2020 shall be waived due to COVID-19.

SEC. 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

SEC. 4: That this Ordinance shall be considered an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason due to the current COVID-19 pandemic; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and signature by the Mayor.

PASSED: July 13, 2020

SIGNED: John M. Coyne, III
President of Council

ATTEST: Kathy Patton
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: July 14, 2020

SIGNED: Dennis Hanwell
Mayor