

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Council of the Borough of Chambersburg, Franklin County, Pennsylvania, intends to consider for adoption and to vote upon an enactment of the Ordinance summarized below at the regularly scheduled Chambersburg Town Council Meeting on September 30, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Office, 100 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Chambersburg, Pennsylvania 17201.

BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG,  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CERTAIN  
PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 30 (FIRE AND AMBULANCE SERVICES)  
OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG RELATED  
TO THE AMBULANCE SERVICE FEE.

**WHEREAS**, Section 1202(5) of the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S. § 1202(5) authorizes the Borough of Chambersburg (the “Borough”) to make regulations as may be necessary for the health, safety, welfare, cleanliness and beauty, and convenience and comfort of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1203 of the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S. § 1203, authorizes the Borough to make and adopt all ordinances not inconsistent with or restrained by the Constitution of Pennsylvania and the laws of the Commonwealth as may be expedient or necessary for the proper management, care, and control of the Borough and its finances and the maintenance of peace, good government, safety, and welfare of the Borough and its trade, commerce, and manufactures; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1202(1) of the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S. § 1202(1), authorizes the Borough to prescribe reasonable fees for the services of the Borough’s officers and to enforce the payment of said fees; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1202(2) of the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S. § 1202(2), authorizes the Borough, in the operation of its utilities, parking meters, parking lots, recreational facilities, and other facilities and services, to make and regulate charges for them for general Borough purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, ambulance service is a service that the Borough provides to all residents and visitors of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1202(56) of the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S. § 1202(56), authorizes the Borough to ensure that fire and emergency medical services are provided within the Borough by

the means and to the extent determined by the Borough, including the appropriate financial and administrative assistance for those services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Code of the Borough of Chambersburg (the “Code”) contains in Chapter 30 an ambulance service fee that is assessed to each water customer in the Borough, regardless of service provider; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Town Council of the Borough of Chambersburg deem it to be in the best interest and for the general welfare of the citizens and residents of the Borough to amend certain provisions of the Code related to the ambulance service fee.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Borough of Chambersburg, Franklin County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 30 of the Code, entitled “Fire and Ambulance Services,” Article II thereof, entitled “Ambulance Service,” Section 30-8 thereof, entitled “Patient and service fees,” is hereby amended by replacing subsection B. thereof with the following:

- B.** Service fee. An ambulance service fee, in an amount established by Resolution of Town Council from time to time and set forth on the Borough’s Master Fee Schedule, shall be assessed to each water customer in the Borough of Chambersburg, regardless of service provider, and shall be included in water service utility invoices issued by the Borough of Chambersburg to those customers responsible for the water service at any service location. The ambulance service fee shall be listed on the utility invoice as a separate line item, in the amount set forth herein, regardless of the total invoice amount, the quantity of utility services used in the billing period, the type of land use, or the taxability of the invoice recipient. For residential and multifamily customers, the ambulance service fee shall be based on the total number of dwelling units (as defined in Chapter 292) served by metered water service. For commercial and industrial establishment (as defined in Chapter 292) water customers, the ambulance service fee shall be based on the number of water meters serving the establishment. In commercial and industrial establishments that have multiple users or structures that house mixed commercial and residential uses, where each user has a separate water meter, each water customer (each user) shall be assessed one separate ambulance service fee per water meter. In nursing homes, assisted living facilities, or other similar establishments, a separate ambulance service fee shall be assessed for each water meter serving the facility. Water meters or water service connections solely for fire protection systems shall not be included in such calculations.

The remaining portions of subsection B. (subsections 1–4) shall remain unmodified.

**SECTION 2. Repealer.** All ordinances, or parts thereof, of the Borough of Chambersburg inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. Savings Clause.** In all other respects, the ordinances of the Borough of Chambersburg shall remain as previously enacted and ordained.

**SECTION 4. Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such determination shall have no effect on the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption.

**ENACTED, ORDAINED and APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Allen B. Coffman  
President of Town Council

ATTEST:

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Jamia L. Wright  
Secretary of Town Council

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Kenneth Hock  
Mayor