# RESOLUTION NO. 7016



A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CITY SERVICES FEE FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

WHEREAS, on June  $\frac{23}{2}$ , 2021, the Albany City Council adopted Ordinance No.  $\frac{5960}{2}$  adding Albany Municipal Code Chapter 3.12, City Services Fee; and

WHEREAS, on June <u>23</u>, 2021, the City Council also adopted Resolution No. <u>7015</u> establishing City Services Fee rates effective July 1, 2021, for developed properties in Albany; and

WHEREAS, the City Council directed that a low-income program for the city services fee be in place for qualifying residential customers when the city services fee becomes effective.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council that the low-income assistance program for the city services fee as set forth in Exhibit A is hereby adopted and will be effective July 1, 2021.

DATED THIS 23 DAY OF JUNE 2021.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

## **EXHIBIT A**

## **DEFINITIONS**

Disabled: Persons who are unable to engage in any substantial paid activity by reason of any

documented, medically determinable, physical, or mental impairment that can be expected to last for twelve continuous months or longer. A statement of disability

benefits may be considered proof of disability for an applicant.

Low Income Defined as 70 percent of Linn County's median income, for the respective family

size, as determined by the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) income limits

defined by their Policy Development and Research Information Service.

Senior Citizen: Persons who are at least 60 years old.

## **QUALIFICATION CRITERIA**

- Low income and a senior citizen, or
- Low income and disabled.
- Utility bill must be in qualifying person's name and be for single-family residential water service.
- Qualifying person must be at least 18 years old.

## LEVEL OF ASSISTANCE

Qualifying customers shall receive a credit of 50 percent of the city services fee amount for each monthly bill. The monthly credit will take effect at the start of the billing period following the City's notification from Community Services Consortium that the customer has qualified for the credit.

#### RECERTIFICATION

Qualifying customers will be required to recertify annually.

## PROGRAM FUNDING

The program will be funded through revenues generated by the city services fee.