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ORDINANCE NO. 1481

AN ORDINANCE BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHAPTER 16, FIRE PROTECTION AND CONTROL, ARTICLE II, FIRE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 16-27, FEES FOR RESCUE CALLS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus Fire Department provides fire protection and emergency and rescue services, and experiences continuing expense and increasing costs to maintain and replace the equipment necessary for an effective and efficient fire department.

WHEREAS, the City's Fire Department is authorized to pursue reimbursement of its expenses for fire and emergency calls from the responsible property owners' insurance providers.

SECTION 1. That Ordinance No. 1473 is repealed. Chapter 16, Article II, section 16-27 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Columbus, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 16-27. - Fees for rescue calls.

The city **may** levy a fee whenever the city fire department responds to a **fire or** rescue call involving any individuals whose primary place of residence is **outside Cherokee County**. The **fire chief is authorized and directed to initiate billing to each property owner's insurance provider whose property the city fire department extinguishes, helps extinguish a fire, or provides emergency or rescue services.**

(Code 2014, § 7-111, Code 2020)

SECTION 2. All ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed in so far as they conflict herewith.


SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas, this 7th day of June, 2021.



Grant Spieth, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheri, Chancellor, Columbus City Clerk

