CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA ORDINANCE NO. 5353

Bill No. 3 of 2023

Introduced in Council: April 12, 2023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCES 26 (PASSED 3-28-1914), 3703 (PASSED 10-27-66), 4276 (PASSED 5-26-82), 4318 (PASSED 11-22-83), 4389 (PASSED 9-10-86), 4390 (PASSED 9-10-86), 4419 (PASSED 12-31-86), 4528 (PASSED 2-28-90), 4544 (PASSED 9-26-90), 4670 (PASSED 7-13-94), 4698 (PASSED 12-21-94), 4701 (PASSED 12-21-94), 4704 (PASSED 12-21-94), 4705 (PASSED 12-21-94), 4706 (PASSED 12-21-94), 4723 (PASSED 4-26-95), 4724 (PASSED 4-26-95), 4770 (PASSED 3-12-97), 4795 (PASSED 2-11-98), 4805 (PASSED 8-19-98), 4810 (PASSED 9-9-98), 4818 (PASSED 1-27-99), 4820 (PASSED 2-28-01), 4837 (PASSED 12-8-99), 4850 (PASSED 3-22-00), 4863 (PASSED 11-8-00), 4864 (PASSED 11-8-00), 4869 (PASSED 1-10-01), 4920 (PASSED 10-12-05), 4938 (PASSED 4-28-04), 4955 (PASSED 12-8-05), 4965 (PASSED 4-13-05), 4968 (PASSED 8-10-05), 4972 (PASSED 10-12-05), 4975 (PASSED 10-12-05), 4979 (PASSED 10-12-05), 4986 (PASSED 2-22-06), 5021 (PASSED 7-9-08), 5054 (PASSED 2-24-10), 5055 (PASSED 2-24-10) 5064 (PASSED 3-24-10), 5068 (PASSED 5-26-10), 5087 (PASSED 6-22-11), 5090 (PASSED 9-24-11), 5102 (PASSED 3-28-12), 5139 (PASSED 11-27-13), 5144 (PASSED 3-5-14), 5146 (PASSED 4-24-14), 5148 (PASSED 5-14-14), 5182 (PASSED 9-9-15), 5191 (PASSED 12-9-15), 5198 (PASSED 4-20-16), 5221 (PASSED 2-8-17), 5238 (PASSED 9-13-17) 5252 (PASSED 4-11-18), 5279 (PASSED 12-11-19), 5288 (PASSED 6-10-20), 5294 (PASSED 8-12-20), 5302 (PASSED 11-18-20), 5319 (PASSED 10-13-21), 5334 (PASSED 4-20-22), 5338 (PASSED 9-14-22), REPEALING VARIOUS OUTDATED CODES, ESTABLISHING NEW FEES FOR SERVICES, SETTING POLICY FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT, AND ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE WITHIN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN

WHEREAS, The City of Johnstown requires fees for the provision of specific services to certain members of the public, and where those fees are to be placed on the individual utilizing the service rather than on the taxpayer at large; and

WHEREAS, the City of Johnstown places high importance on transparency and efficiency in government and wants all who use City services to be well-informed of all costs associated with service.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA ORDAINS and amends the Codified Ordinances of the City of Johnstown as follows:

Part Two – Administration Code, Title Four – Legislation, Chapter 212 – Ordinances and Resolutions, is hereby amended to read:

212.01 ORDINANCES VACATING STREETS; COSTS.

(a) All costs necessary and incident to the valid enactment of an ordinance to vacate a public street, alley, place, right of way or similar thoroughfare within the City, including, but not limited to, publication costs, filing costs and the cost of preparation of drafts, plans, sketches and surveys; all costs incident to the abandonment, location and/or relocation of utilities; and all damages incurred by third parties as a result of such vacation, A fee for the vacation of streets shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time, and shall be paid for by the person petitioning for or requesting such vacation.

Part Two - Administration Code, Title Six – Administration, Chapter 223 – City Manager, is hereby amended to read:

223.08 REQUESTS FOR USE OF CITY FACILITIES AND STREETS; PARADES; COSTS; REIMBURSEMENT; INDEMNIFICATION; CITY-SPONSORED EVENTS.

- (c) The City shall deliver as many of the requested services on City time as feasible. Should any services or event require the City to incur costs it would not normally have incurred, the event sponsor will be asked to reimburse the City. A fee for the use of City facilities, streets, and parades shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time These costs shall include, but are not limited to:
- (-1)—Overtime costs for City personnel as described in the relevant collective bargaining contract;
- (2) Utility costs associated with the use of a facility;
- (3) Field preparation for athletic events held at any one of the City's athletic facilities and parks; and
- (4) Any other costs associated with the specific event.

Part Two – Administration Code, Title Six – Administration, Chapter 236 – Department of Finance, is hereby amended to read

236.19 RETURNED CHECK FEE.

-Effective January 1, 2001, there is hereby established a flat fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for all cheeks returned for insufficient funds, to cover the cost of handling and processing such returned cheeks. A fee for all cheeks returned for insufficient funds shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

236.20 INFORMATION REQUEST FEE.

Effective January 1, 2001, there is hereby established a flat-fee of thirty-dollars (\$30.00) for responses to written and verbal inquiries made to the City concerning the status of real estate taxes and other taxes and fees imposed by City ordinance, when such information is requested and required for a real estate or business transaction. No fee is intended nor shall any fee be collected from a City taxpayer or customer making inquiry about the status of his or her account. A fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time for responses to written and verbal inquiries made to the City concerning the status of real estate taxes and other taxes and fees imposed by City Ordinance, when such information is requested

and required for a real estate or business transaction. No fee is intended nor any fee be collected from a City taxpayer or customer making inquiry about the status of his or her account.

Part Two – Administrative Code, Title Six – Administration, Chapter 238 – Department of Public Works, is hereby amended to read:

238.04 RECREATION COORDINATOR.

(c) Facilities used for recreation purposes may be used for organized recreation activities by individuals and organizations. A fee shall be assessed for facility uses. The fee shall be set by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Two – Administrative Code, Title Six – Administration, Chapter 242 – Department of Police, is hereby amended to read:

242.06 FEE FOR ACCIDENT REPORTS; DEPOSIT OF MONEYS.

(a) A fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per copy shall be charged for each copy of a traffic accident report furnished to a person who has a legitimate reason for requesting the report.
(a) A fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time for each copy of a traffic incident report furnished to a person who has a legitimate reason for requesting the report.

242.08 FALSE ALARMS.

- —(a)—There is hereby established a fifty-dollar (\$50.00) service charge for Police Department responses to false electronic, alarm service or notifier alarms, in excess of two such in any twelve month calendar year, except as provided in subsection (b) hereof.
- (a) A fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time for Police Department responses to false electronic, alarm service or notifier alarms, in excess of two such in any twelve month calendar year, except as provided in subsection (b) hereof.
- (b) All Fire Department responses to false fire alarms shall be charged a service fee based on the following: The cost of a residential-false fire alarm shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00), after one such false alarm in a twelve month calendar year. The cost of a commercial, non-profit, tax exempt, including the properties of the Johnstown Housing Authority, false fire alarm shall be three hundred dollars (\$300.00) after third such false alarm in any twelve month calendar year.
- (b) All Fire Department responses to false fire alarms shall be charged a service fee established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. The cost of a residential false fire alarm shall be assessed after one such false alarm in a twelve month calendar year. False alarm fees for commercial, non-profit, tax exempt, including the properties of the Johnstown Housing Authority, shall be assessed after the third such false alarm in any twelve month calendar year.

Part Two – Administrative Code, Title Six – Administration, Chapter 244 – Department of Fire, is hereby amended to read:

244.04 COST AND EXPENSE RECOVERY FOR SERVICES PROVIDED.

(c) The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed, by and through the Office of the Fire Chief, to ascertain what insurance coverages may be applicable and available under each circumstance, and to take the necessary and affirmative actions to apply for and receive reimbursement from any insurance carriers where a property owner is or may be insured to reimburse the Department for any cost and/or expense incurred for services, supplies and/or equipment used for or provided to the property owner by their Department. A fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time listing each assessed fee per item of equipment, vehicle, and personnel used by the Fire Department.

Part Four – Traffic Code, Title Two, General Provisions and Enforcement, Chapter 420 – Traffic Control, is hereby amended to read:

420.04 POWERS OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.

(r) authorize the removal of debris from City Streets related to non-criminal traffic accidents. The party or parties responsible for the accident shall be assessed a fee for the removal and disposal of the debris. The fee shall established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time

Part Four – Traffic Code, Title Two - General Provisions and Enforcement, Chapter 422 - Enforcement and Penalty, is hereby amended to read:

422.05 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED.

- (b) Application/License Fee. The non-refundable application/license fee shall be in the amount as established by resolution of the City Council and payable to the City of Johnstown.
- (1) Approved Towing Services; Fee. Those garages or towing services desiring to be designated as approved towing services for use by the Department of Police, in exercising the authority granted under § 422.04 shall pay an annual fee of five hundred-dollars (\$500.00) established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time, submitted at the time of application.
- (2) Approved Storage Garage; Fee. Those garages or towing services desiring to be designated as approved storage garages (pounds) for the storage of impounded vehicles by the Department of Police, in exercising the authority granted under § 422.04 shall pay an annual fee of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time, submitted at the time of application.

422.14 TOWING AND IMPOUNDING CHARGES.

Charges for the towing and impounding of any vehicle under authority of this section shall be fixed and established at the discretion of the licensee and shall include an impounding/towing administrative charge fee due to the city in the amount of one-hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00), and is to be collected by the licensee and paid over to the city forthwith. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Four – Traffic Code, Title Four - General Provisions and Enforcement, Chapter 440 – Obstructions and Special Uses of Public Ways, is hereby amended to read:

440.03 USE OF AREAS BY UTILITY COMPANIES; PERMIT REQUIRED; FEE.

No utility company in the City shall use any street in the City, by its servants, agents, workers and employees or independent contractors, in a metered or unmetered area, for the purpose of making repairs, excavations or construction or reconstruction of facilities, which activities would impede and interfere with the usual and customary flow of traffic, without first obtaining a permit therefor. The fee for such permit shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. The fee shall be for the use of the all City-owned streets, in the following areas of the City: the downtown area; the First, Second, Third and Fourth-Wards; Franklin-Street; Napoleon Street; Broad Street; Maple Avenue; Clinton Street; Bedford Street; Horner Street; Central Avenue; Fairfield Avenue; William Penn Avenue; Roosevelt-Boulevard; Menoher-Boulevard; and Strayer Street.

Part Four – Traffic Code, Title Six – Vehicles and Operation, Chapter 464 – Commercial and Heavy Vehicles, is hereby amended to read:

464.03 TRUCKS PROHIBITED ON BANTELL STREET.

No person shall operate a truck or vehicle of any kind, as described in Section 464.001, upon Bantell Street, for its entire length.

464.04 DESIGNATION OF OTHER STREETS AND HIGHWAYS AS OFF-LIMITS TO TRUCKS.

Council shall, by resolution-designate certain streets and highways, other than those listed in Section 464.03, that shall be off-limits to trucks, as defined in Section 464.001.

464.96 PERMIT TO OPERATE TRUCKS ON PROHIBITED STREETS; REQUIREMENTS.

- The City Manager, or his or her designee, upon request in writing by any person-seeking to operate a truck on the roads or streets set forth in Section 464.03 464.04, may grant a permit to said person to use said roads or streets upon such terms and conditions as the City Manager or his or her designee deems necessary and upon compliance with the following conditions:
- (c) Payment of a permit fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to the city to cover the cost of processing the request and for the periodic inspection of said road or street.

464.07 464.04 EXCEPTIONS.

The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to trucks making local deliveries to residents and firms located on any public highway or street set forth in Section 464.03, nor shall this chapter apply to residents or firms located on said restricted road or street who or which own and/or operate trucks in excess of the weight restriction set forth in Section 464.001, and who or which are required to use said roads or streets for access to their residences or places of business.

464.08 REVOCATION OF PERMITS.

The City Manager-may revoke a permit issued under authority of Section 464.06 upon the failure of the user to faithfully comply with Section 464.06(b).

Part Six – General Offenses Code, Chapter 614 – General Offenses Code, is hereby amended to read:

614.21 CITY KENNEL FEEDING ANIMALS.

The Animal Control Officer/Dog-Warden or the City's authorized agent shall provide sustenance for all animals impounded and shall treat them in a humane manner. The City-Kennel is under the jurisdiction of the Animal-Control Officer/Dog-Warden or such other person as may be officially designated.

The Animal Control Officer / Dog Warden or the City's authorized agent shall place impounded animals in the care of the currently contracted animal control service provider.

614.22 IMPOUNDMENT OF ANIMALS.

The Animal Control Officer/Dog Warden:

-(a)—Is authorized to trap-or impound any animal observed to be in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter.

—(b)—In any prosecution charging a violation of any part of this section; proof that the animal described in the complaint was at large as defined herein and that the defendant named in the complaint was the owner of the animal shall constitute in evidence a prima facie presumption that the owner-permitted his or her animal to be at large in violation of this chapter.

614.25 ANIMAL CONTROL FEES.

- (a) The owner-or-claimant of an animal that has been picked up, detained, seized or otherwise came into the possession of the City shall be responsible for paying-all fees and costs incurred regarding-the-same.
- -(b) The fee schedule of the City is hereby established as follows:
- (1)—Impounding an animal during normal business hours (8:00-a.m. to 4:30-p.m.).
- A. City residents twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); and
- --- B. Non-residents thirty-five dollars (\$35.00).
- (2) Impounding an animal after normal business hours.
- A. City residents thirty-five dollars (\$35.00); and
- B. Non-residents forty-five dollars (\$45.00):
- (3) Boarding fees.
- A. Twelve dollars (\$12.00) per day (regular rate).
- B. Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day (special care rate).
- (4) The owner or claimant of any animal-that has come into the custody of the City shall in addition to paying all fees accrued shall also pay any veterinarian bill attained for said animal.
- (5) The owners of any animal impounded by the City in addition to paying all fees involving the impounded animals can also be cited for all violations located in this chapter.

614.26 REDEMPTION.

- (a)—An owner of an impounded animal or his or her agent may redeem the animal, prior to its removal as provided for herein, by paying the required fees against the animal and meeting any other requirements which may be prescribed in this chapter.
- —(b)—Animals impounded by reason of running at large may be redeemed at normal working hours, excluding weekends and holidays, by payment of required impoundment and boarding fees.—Animals redeemed on the day of impoundment shall be subject to boarding fees for one day.
- —(c)—Any-person-redeeming an impounded animal shall be required to provide proof of identification before the animal is released.

- (d) Written proof of a current dog license and rabies vaccination by a licensed veterinarian must be presented when redeeming an impounded animal from the City Kennel.
- —(e)—Dogs and cats impounded for reasons other than running at large, shall be released, redeemed, or otherwise disposed of according to the procedures that pertain to said animal or the circumstances of the impoundment. Provided, that if no such procedures apply, then the Animal Control Officer/Dog Warden is authorized to determine and act upon those procedures that are in the best interests of the animal and the public with proper regard for due process.
- (f) When a police officer effects a custodial arrest of a person having an animal in his or her immediate possession and no other responsible person of at least eighteen years of age is immediately present to take custody of an animal, the animal will be impounded for the animal welfare. The owner, if other than the arrestee, will be contacted and the disposition of the animal determined.
- -(g)—In addition to any other offense provided in this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to comply with the conditions of a release, and persons found to be in violation may be cited each day until such conditions are satisfied.

614.27 DISPOSAL OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS.

- (a) The Animal Control Officer/Dog Warden, upon receiving any animal for impoundment, shall record or cause to be recorded the description, breed, color and sex of the animal and whether or not it is licensed, and the date and time of impoundment. If the animal is licensed or the owner is known, the officer shall enter the name and address of the owner as may be shown on applicable City records. If the owner is known, the officer shall attempt to contact the owner to notify the owner that his or her animal has been impounded by the City.
- -(b) No animal may be adopted from the City-Kennel by any employee of the City-for any reason, nor may any employee of the City-give away or sell any animal from the City-Kennel.

614.28 RELEASE FOR RESEARCH PROPERTED.

—No animal impounded in the City-Kennel pursuant to the authority of this chapter-shall be released or delivered to any institution for research, experimentation, testing or other scientific purpose.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 804, Business Licensing in General, is hereby amended to read:

804.02 LEVY OF ANNUAL LICENSE TAX.

There is hereby levied annually upon all persons engaged in any trade, business, profession or activity, within the City, the license tax hereinafter stated, an annual license fee. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 804, Business Licensing in General, is hereby amended to read:

804.03 CONTRACTORS.

- (b) License Tax. All contractors shall pay a flat license tax of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per year or any fraction thereof. fee. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.
- (e) Identification of Licensed Contractor. The City shall issue, with the license, a numbered sticker, indicating a licensed contractor, which sticker shall be prominently displayed on all such contractor's vehicles. Contractors desiring additional stickers shall pay a fee of two dollars (\$2.00) per sticker.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 804, Business Licensing in General, is hereby amended to read:

804.04 REAL ESTATE AGENTS.

- (a) License Tax. All real estate agents shall be classified and pay an annual license tax as follows:
- (1)—Class 1, whose annual sales amount to one-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or over: two-hundred dollars (\$200.00);
- (2) Class 2: whose annual sales amount to seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) but less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000); one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00);
- (3)—Class 3, whose annual sales amount to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) but less than seventy—five thousand dollars (\$75,000); one hundred dollars (\$100.00);
- (4) Class 4, whose annual sales amount to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) but less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); fifty dollars (\$50,00);
- (5)—Class 5, whose annual sales amount to less than twenty-five thousand-dollars (\$25,000); thirty dollars (\$30.00).
- (a) License Tax. All real estate agents shall be classified and pay an annual license fee. The fee payable for each annual license granted shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 806 – Cabarets, is hereby amended to read:

806.06 LICENSE FEE.

The annual cabaret license fee under this chapter shall be one-hundred dollars (\$100:00) and the same shall be in addition to all other license fees or taxes required to be paid by the laws of the State or the ordinances of the City and shall not be apportioned for any part of any year.

Business operating a cabaret shall obtain a business license from the Department of Finance and pay an annual license fee. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. The fee shall be in addition to all other license fees or taxes required to be paid by the laws of the State or the ordinances of the City and shall not be apportioned for any part of any year.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 808 – Dances and Dance Halls, is hereby amended to read:

808.02 PERMIT REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC DANCES AND BALLS.

No person shall hold a public dance or public ball in the City-without first obtaining a permit therefor from the City Manager. However, a permit shall not be required for dances held and conducted by regularly established dancing instructors in connection with such instruction.

The fee for such a permit, which shall be paid at the time of the issuance thereof, shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) for each public dance or ball.

No person shall hold a public dance or public ball in the City without first obtaining a permit therefor from the City Manager; however, a permit shall not be required for dances held and conducted by regularly established dancing instructors in connection with such instruction.

The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

808.03 LICENSING OF DANCE HALLS AND BALLROOMS; FEES; TERM.

- (e) The fee payable for each license granted hereunder shall be as follows:
- (I-)—In-the case of dance halls and ballrooms maintained and conducted in connection with regularly established instruction in dancing, and exclusively used in such connection, the annual license fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (2) In the case of all other dance halls and ballrooms, the annual license fee shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75.00).

The fee payable for each annual license granted shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 834 – Peddlers and Solicitors, is hereby amended to read:

834.09 LICENSE FEE.

The fee for the license required by this chapter is as follows:

- (1) Street vendor:
- A. Daily permits twenty dollars (\$20:00) per day, per vendor space;
- B. Monthly permits—one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per thirty calendar days;
- C. Annual permits—five hundred dollars (\$500.00 \$250.00) per year 365 calendar days.
- D. The City of Johnstown offers an Umbrella Vendor Permit for those special events. The cost for this permit is \$500 per event. Umbrella Vendor permit applications must be submitted to the City of Johnstown Department of Community and Economic Development by the organizer of the special event no later than 30 days prior to the first day of the event.
- (3) Solicitor:
- A. Daily permits twenty dollars (\$20.00) per day, per vendor space;
- B. Monthly permits one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per thirty calendar days;
- C. Annual permits five hundred dollars (\$500.00 \$250.00) per year 365 calendar days.

The fees for licenses required by this chapter shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 836 – Photographers, is hereby amended to read:

836.03 STUDIO LICENSE APPLICATION; FEE; TERM.

An application for a license required by Section <u>836.02</u> shall be made, either in writing or in person, to the Director of Finance. The Director of Finance shall, if and when it is established to his or her satisfaction that the applicant for such license is a portrait and/or commercial photographer, and upon the payment of fifty dollars (\$50.00) as and for an annual license fee, and upon the filing of the bond required by Section <u>836.04</u>, issue such license. Such license shall give the licensee the privilege to operate such business and studio for a period of one-year.

An application for a photographer business license required by Section 836.02 shall be made, either in writing or in person, to the Director of Finance. The Director of Finance shall, if and when it is established to his or her satisfaction that the applicant for such license is a portrait and/or commercial photographer, and upon the payment of the photographer's license fee, issue such license. Such license shall give the licensee the privilege to operate such business and studio for a period of one year. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

836.08 LICENSE FEE FOR TRANSIENT PHOTOGRAPHERS.

The fee for the license required by Section 836,07 is one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day,

The fee for the transient photographer license required by Section 836.07 shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 840 – Sexually Oriented Businesses, is hereby amended to read:

840.07 FEE.

The fee-for-a sexually-oriented-business permit shall be five-hundred-dollars (\$500.00) per year.

The fee for a sexually oriented business permit shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 844 – Shows and Exhibitions, is hereby amended to read:

844.01 AUTHORITY OF CITY MANAGER; LICENSE FEES.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to issue licenses to operas, theaters, concerts, shows, circuses, menageries and all kinds of public exhibitions for pay, except those for religious, educational or charitable purposes. The Director of Finance shall collect and receive therefor the following sums as license fees:

- —(a)—For an annual-license-for an opera or theater-house-having a seating-capacity of 500 or more: three-hundred dollars (\$300.00);
- (b)—For an annual-license for an opera or theater house having a seating capacity of less than 500: one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00);
- —(c)—For concerts with a seating capacity of 500 or more, each performance: one-hundred dollars (\$100.00);
- -(d) For concerts with a scating capacity of less than 500, each performance: twenty-five dollars (\$25.00);
- -(e) For shows, each day open for exhibition; three hundred dollars (\$300.00);
- -(f) For menageries, each day open for exhibition; one hundred-lifty dollars (\$150.00);
- -(g) For circuses, annually: five hundred-dollars (\$500.00); and
- -(h) For all other kinds of public exhibitions, for pay, per day: twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Two – Business Regulation, Chapter 850 – Transient Retail Businesses, is hereby amended to read:

850.02 LICENSE FEE.

The fee for the licenses required by Section 850.01 shall be as follows:

(a) <u>Transient Craft Merchant</u>. Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per-year. A transient craft merchant is defined as an individual who assembles, creates, or constructs arts, crafts, and decorative items for sale at specialized shows or events.

- (b) Transient Craft Merchant Show. Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per show. Any show sponsor may purchase a transient craft merchant show license for five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per show with sixty or less vendors in the show. Such license is only good for that show and shall not have any bearing on future shows or participating craft vendors at any other time.
- (c) Transient Retail Merchant. One hundred dollars (\$100.00) per month. A transient retail merchant is defined as an individual or business that offers for a short period of time retail sale any item, food or clothing that has been purchased wholesale or otherwise for the sole purpose of resale. For the purpose of this chapter, an individual or business that offers merchandise for sale that can be placed in both categories of licenses, the transient retail merchant license shall apply.

The fees for the aforementioned licenses shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

852.04 PERMITS FOR SALES.

(b) Permits for Property Owners Within the Festival Designated Area. It shall be unlawful for any person to rent, sell, or provide indoor or outdoor space to a vendor for the sale of food or merchandise without a permit during any special event or celebration approved by the City. Any property owner wishing to rent, sell, or provide indoor or outdoor space to a vendor must obtain a permit for each individual vendor in the indoor or outdoor festival area and pay a participation fee to the event operator/promoter. The required participation fee shall be determined to be fifteen-percent of the total rental fee, no less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00), being charged by the property owner, shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. The property owner must provide to the City a scale drawing of the layout of the leased space along with a certificate of insurance listing coverage. Insurance coverage must include comprehensive general liability insurance in an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) naming the City and the event operator/promoter of the special event or celebration as additional insured's during the said event or celebration.

Part Eight – Business Regulation and Taxation Code, Title Four – Taxation, Chapter 880 – Mercantile License Tax, is hereby amended to read:

880.03 MERCANTILE LICENSES REQUIRED; FEES; POSTING.

For the license year, every person desiring to continue to engage in, or hereafter to begin to engage in, the business of wholesale or retail vendor or dealer in goods, wares and merchandise, and any person conducting a restaurant or other place where food, drink or refreshments are sold, or a place of amusement, in the City, and every broker, shall, on or before March 31 of the license year, prior to commencing business in such license year, procure a mercantile license for his or her place of business, or if there is more than one, for each of his or her places of business in the City, from the Finance Director, who shall issue the same upon payment of a fee to the Finance Director of ten dollars (\$10.00) for a wholesale or retail license, or a broker's license, and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for a combined wholesale and retail license. Such license shall be conspicuously posted at the place of business, or at each of the places of business, of every such person at all times. The fees for the aforementioned licenses shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Ten – Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, Title Two - Street and Sidewalk Areas, Chapter 1024 – Excavations, is hereby amended to read:

1024.03 ISSUANCE OF PERMITS; FEES.

- (c) The minimum fees as prescribed on a rate schedule prepared and periodically updated by the Public Works-Department and approved by Council shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. It shall be construed to grant to the applicant the right and privilege to excavate a maximum surface yardage (including one foot outside of the trench excavation) of five square yards where the sidewalk or roadway is improved or paved, and/or a maximum yardage of five cubic yards of excavation where the sidewalk or roadway is not improved or paved, which are construed to be a minimal disturbance as noted in division (d)(1) of this section. However, if the yardages excavated exceed the maximum amounts construed to be minimal disturbance, the provisions of division (d)(2) and (d)(3) of this section shall prevail.
- (d) For each separate excavation for the inspection, installation, removal, repair or replacement of substructures or their appurtenances, except curb boxes, the following fees shall apply:

(1) Minimal disturbance activities.

- A. For an excavation on a sidewalk, whether paved or unpaved, a minimum fee as prescribed on the rate schedule shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time;
- B. For an excavation on a street or highway which is not permanently improved, a minimum fee as prescribed on the rate schedule shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time;
- C. For an excavation on an improved street or highway, a minimum fee as prescribed on the rate schedule shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.
- (2) For an excavation on a sidewalk, street or highway which is not permanently improved in excess of the maximum threshold for minimal disturbance activities a fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time, a minimum fee as prescribed on the rate schedule, and, in addition thereto, a fee per square yard of excavation removed as prescribed on the rate schedule.
- (3) For an excavation on an improved sidewalk, street or highway, in excess of the maximum threshold for minimal disturbance activities, a minimum fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time as prescribed on the rate-schedule, and, in addition thereto, a fee per square yard of paving surface removed as prescribed on the rate-schedule, including one foot outside of the limits of the trench excavation, plus a fee per cubic yard of excavation removed from the trench-below the level of the bottom of the paving as prescribed on the rate-schedule.

- (4) For the excavation on a sidewalk for the inspection, installation, removal, repair or replacement of a curb box only, including the removal of the pavement, if any, provided the amount of excavation does not exceed one cubic yard, a minimum fee as prescribed on the rate schedule a fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. Where the amount of such excavation exceeds one cubic yard, the permit shall be issued under the provisions of division (d)(1) of this section. Excavations for the inspection, installation, removal, repair or replacement of a curb box located within the limits of the roadway portion of a street or highway shall be issued under the provisions of division (d)(2) and (d)(3) of this section.
- (5) For the removal of a pole, tree or stump, including the removal of the paving, if any, where an immediate replacement of a pole or tree is not anticipated, a minimum fee as prescribed on the rate schedule a fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.
- (6) For each separate excavation for the setting of a pole or the planting of a tree, a fee as prescribed on the rate-schedule a fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Ten – Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, Title Two - Street and Sidewalk Areas, Chapter 1026 – Trees, is hereby amended to read:

1026.02 PERMIT REQUIRED; TIME LIMITS FOR COMPLETION.

- (a) Permits Required.
- (1) Planting, maintenance or removal.
- B. Applications for permits must be made at the Office of the Public Works. The cost of the permit is ten-dollars (\$10.00).
- B. Applications for permits must be made at the Office of the Public Works. The cost of the permit shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Ten – Streets, Utilities, and Public Services Code, Title Six – Other Public Services, Chapter 1026 – Trees, is hereby amended to read:

1066.02 CALCULATION OF SERVICE FEE.

(a) T	The service fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time
	is based on an hourly basis, with a minimum of one hour to be charged for each
respons	ie.

—(b)—The service fee is based on a minimum response as follows:
(1) Fire Department.
Two pieces of fire equipment
Four fire fighters

Two officers
One Assistant-Chief and vehicle
— (2) Police Department.
— — One car
——One officer
—(e)—The hourly charges shall be, based upon the minimum response as set forth in subsection (b) hereof, as follows:
(1) Fire Department three-hundred-dollars (\$300.00) per-hour;
——(2)—Police Department—one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per hour or fraction thereof per police unit. Unit is defined as one officer and one vehicle.
— (3)—The actual charge shall be based upon the hourly rate multiplied by the amount of time spent and the number of units as defined above.
— (4)—These fees and charges shall be assessed, are not subject to discretion of or by any City employee, including Chief of Fire, Chief of Police or the City Manager.

Part Twelve – Planning and Zoning Code, Title Four – Planning Code, Chapter 1242 – Administration, Enforcement, and Penalty, is hereby amended to read:

1242.04 FILING FEES.

A filing fee shall accompany the filing of the preliminary plan of lots. No subdivision, variance, or conditional use application shall be accepted or acted upon unless the fee is paid in the total sum according to the following: \$100.00 per lot created in the plan of lots accompanying the subdivision application. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Twelve – Planning and Zoning Code, Title Six – Zoning Code, Chapter 1260 – Zoning Ordinance, is hereby amended to read:

1260.208 SCHEDULE OF FEES.

- (a) Each application for a building permit shall be accompanied by cash, certified check, or money order payable to the City of Johnstown in accordance with the schedule of fees as listed in City Hall Room 205, Building Permits Desk.
- (1) All Buildings, Signs and Accessory Uses. The fees for a building permits are as listed in City Hall Room 205, Building Permits Desk, shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

A. Building Code-review (if required)—two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) in addition to building permit fee.

- B. In addition, for any building projects that require a building permit, in accordance with Section 1260 206, that were started without a building permit, the cost shall be double that a few to the cost shall be double that
- (2) Demolition. The fee for demolition of a building shall as listed in City Hall Room 205, Building Permits Desk-shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time..
- (3) Moving of Buildings. The fee for moving buildings is as listed in City Hall Room 205, Building Permits-Desk, shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.
- (4) Fixture Fees. Fixture fees are as set by the Standard Plumbing Code, as adopted amended in Chapter 1422.
- (5) Occupancy Permit. A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be charged for each certificate of occupancy issued by the Codes Administrator, shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.
- (6) Zoning Hearing Board Fee. A fee shall be paid by all persons making application or appeal to the Zoning Hearing Board, of two hundred fifty-dollars (\$250.00). The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

1260.233 FEES.

Any person other than City Council or the City Planning Commission requesting an amendment of this chapter (including a curative amendment) shall pay a fee of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) at the time the request is filed with the City. This fee shall cover the cost of advertising of the aforesaid-notice, the cost of stenographic service, necessary administrative overhead, and any other expenses incurred in connection with such application, provided, however, that if the total of the aforesaid costs and expenses does not exceed the amount provided, any difference shall be refunded to the applicant. In the event the aforesaid costs and expenses exceed the two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) fee, the applicant shall reimburse the City for such excess. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Two – Building and Housing Standards, Chapter 1422 – International Plumbing Code, is hereby amended as follows:

1422.04 AMENDMENTS.

-(a) <u>Revisions</u>. The following sections of the <u>International Plumbing Code</u>, as adopted herein, are hereby revised to read as follows:

Appendix A Permit Fees: The fee for plumbing permits shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), plus the following fees as appropriate;

- -1. For each plumbing fixture, floor drain or trap four dollars (\$4.00)
- -----2. For each new-or-replaced sanitary or storm-house sewer —ten dollars (\$10.00) each
- 3. For each water heater, thermal tank and vent—ten dollars (\$10.00)

— 4. For installation, alteration or repair of water piping and /or water treating equipment eight dollars (\$8.00)
5. For repair or alteration of sanitary, storm and vent piping eight dollars (\$8.00)
6. For vacuum breakers or backflow protection devices installed subsequent to the installation of the piping-or-equipment served:
one to five four dollars (\$4.00) each
- six or more three dollars (\$3.00) each
- 7. For each roof drain, including equipment indirect drains—four dollars (\$4.00)
- 8. For each downspout connected to the underground storm sewer system—four dollars (\$4.00)
9. For each sanitary or storm house sewer to be repaired—eight dollars (\$8.00)
10. For each manhole and each catch-basin—eight dollars (\$8.00)
- 11. For each sub-soil or french drain system installed -eight dollars (\$8.00)
12. For each medical gas station box:
- 3 or less outlets four dollars (\$4.00) each,
4-or more outlets—eight-dollars (\$8.00) each
— 13. For each-vacuum pump—eight dollars (\$8.00)
— 15. For each new-or-replaced water service line—ten dollars (10.00)
—16.—For each sanitary or storm sewer cap—eight-dollars (\$8.00)
——17.—For each Radon system installed—eight dollars (\$8.00)
-(b) <u>Additions</u> . The following sections are hereby added to the <u>International Plumbing Code</u> , as adopted herein:
— (1)—Chapter I Administration is umended to include the following:
Section-110-Annual License-Fee for Plumbers
2. Journeyman Plumber fifty dollars (\$50.00)
3. Master Plumber - one hundred dollars \$100.00)
Section-1-1-Examination-Fees
1Journeyman-Plumber fifty dollars (\$50.00)
2. Master-Plumber - one-hundred dollars (\$100.00)

3. Special Examination - pro-rated on basis of the expense incurred for the examination, as approved by the Department Director

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Two – Building and Housing Standards, Chapter 1424 – Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions, is hereby amended as follows:

1424.13 PERMIT FEES.

- —Fees for permits or renewals thereof required by this chapter shall be as set forth in this section. Where the total valuation of the electrical work, as determined by the Codes Administrator, is:
- -(a) Less than four hundred dollars (\$400.00), the fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00);
- —(b)—Four-hundred dollars (\$400.00), but not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), the fee shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00);
- —(c)—More than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), but not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000), the fee shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00); and
- -(d) More than two thousand dollars (\$2,000), the fee shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00), plus three dollars (\$3.00) for each two thousand dollars (\$2,000) of fraction thereof total valuation.

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Two – Building and Housing Standards, Chapter 1428 – International Property Maintenance Code, is hereby amended as follows:

1428.99 PENALTY.

The City may institute proceedings under this chapter by the issuance of a "notice of violation letter" assessing a civil penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense, seventy-five (\$75) for the first offense and provide the parties in violation of said chapter the opportunity to abate the violation. If after ten (10) business days and neither was the fine paid nor the violation abated, the City shall issue a second "notice of violation letter" assessing a civil penalty in the amount of \$150, and pay said civil-penalty in lieu of the institution of proceedings and the imposition of the other stated penalties set forth-herein. If abatement of property violations does not occur after the second notice of violation and another ten (10) business days have passed, the City Manager and/or his designee may enlist the aid of a collections agency to collect unpaid violation penalties; City employees may also enter the property to remediate the violation at the expense of the property owner. The City, through its City Manager, Code Enforcement Officer and/or Solicitor, is authorized to file a non-traffic criminal citation pursuant to the Rule of Criminal Procedure 4403 as a summary offense punishable by up to two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) fine and/or 90 days of imprisonment. Pursuant to the Rule of Criminal Procedure 44662(b) the City, through its Solicitor, may prosecute any de novo summary appeal of any conviction of such violations as approved by the District Attorney's Office, Cambria County, Pennsylvania via written correspondence on June 22, 2017. If no specific penalty is provided then Section 202.99 for general code violations.

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Two – Building and Housing Standards, Chapter 1430 – International Residential Code, is hereby amended to read:

1430.99 PENALTY.

- (a) <u>Code Violation Correction & Response Unit</u>. The City Department of Community & Economic Development and/or the Department of Codes & Permits, with the addition of this section shall institute and enforce all provisions as follows:
- 4) A minimum/mandatory charge shall be issued, against the registered property owners; of one hundred-dollars (\$100.00), with-additional hourly charges of seventy—five dollars (\$75.00) for each hour or portion of after the first two hours. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time. These fees, along with the applicable code violations, would be filed with the District Courts, if not paid within ten days of the "Code Violation Correction & Response Unit" taking corrective actions.

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Four – Building and Housing Administration, Chapter 1442 – Inspections, Permits, Fees and Certificates, is hereby to read:

1442.04 FEES.

The Director of Finance shall collect all <u>building permit</u> fees based on a fee schedule adopted by <u>ordinance of City</u> Council <u>and amended from time to time</u>. The Building Code Official shall periodically review existing fees for applicable codes and ordinances of the City.

- (a) <u>International Building Code Permit Fees Residential</u>. There will be a twenty-four dollar (\$24.00) flat rate fee for any issuance or reissuance of a compliance or building permit.
- -(b) International Building Code Permit Fees Commercial.

— There will be a twenty-four dollar (\$24.00) flat rate fee for any reissuance of a building permit.

The fees <u>listed above</u> shall include the required four dollar (\$4.00 surcharge fee to the State of Pennsylvania per Act 13 of the Uniform Construction Code.

- (c) <u>Demolition</u>. The fee for demolition of a building or structure shall be-seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) include fees for the sewer cap, plus any additional permit and inspection fees required, along with <u>and</u> the required four dollar (\$4.00) surcharge fee to the State of Pennsylvania per Act 13 of the Uniform Construction Code.
- (f) Occupancy Certificate. A fee of-twenty-dollars (\$20.00) shall be charged for each residential certificate of occupancy issued by the Building Code Official. A fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) shall be charged for each commercial certificate of occupancy issued by the Building Code Official. The fees shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Six – Miscellaneous Regulations, Chapter 1472 – Residential Moving, is hereby amended to read:

1472.01 MOVE DEFINED.

—As used in this chapter, "move" means the changing of the domicile of an individual or family by relocating all or a substantial portion of the individual's or family's personal property.

(Ord. 4276, Passed 5-26-82.)

1472.02-PERMIT REQUIRED; EXCEPTIONS.

—No-person shall move permanently into the City, from one location to another within the City, or from within the City to a location outside the City, without first obtaining a permit therefor from the Department of Finance. A moving permit shall not be required for moving from one unit-managed by the Johnstown Housing Authority to another, the change of residence prompted by the official actions of the City, or for removing personal effects of a decedent.

(Ord. 4318. Passed 11-22-83.)

1472.03-PERMIT APPLICATION; ISSUANCE; FEE.

A person may apply for a moving permit upon executing a form stating the name of the family which is to occupy or vacate the dwelling, the full name of the head of the household, the number of persons in the family, the address of the residence to be occupied or vacated and the name of its owner. If the applicant is an individual who is not applying on behalf of a family, then information relating to families, as aforesaid, shall not be required. In addition to supplying such information, the applicant shall pay a fee of five dollars (\$5.00). Upon supplying the information, satisfying any obligation owed to the City and paying the fee, the Department of Finance shall issue a moving permit to the applicant unless occupancy of the dwelling unit in question is in violation of law.

(Ord. 4701. Passed 12-21-94.)

1472.99 PENALTY.

-(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 202.99 for general Code penalty if no specific penalty is provided.)

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Six – Miscellaneous Regulations, Chapter 1480 – Vacant Property/Structures, is hereby amended as follows:

1480.03 REGISTRATION OF STRUCTURES; INSPECTIONS; ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES.

(a) An owner of a vacant property shall register it with the Department when notified to do so. At the time of registration, the owner shall also consent to have the Department enter said premises as needed to inspect the property and resolve nuisances. A non-refundable registration fee in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per property shall accompany the initial registration form. The fee shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

Part Fourteen – Building and Housing Code, Title Six – Miscellaneous Regulations, Chapter 1484 – Residential Rental Property Registration and Inspection, is hereby amended to read:

1484.06 FEES AND PENALTIES.

- (d) Inspection Fee Schedule.
 - Single-family-dwelling: \$25.00
- --- Duplex or two-family-dwelling: \$40.00
- Multi-family dwelling: \$40.00 plus \$10.00 for each additional-unit
- Multiple property ownership: \$10 per unit (10 or more units in the City)

The fees shall be established by ordinance of City Council and amended from time to time.

PASSED FINALLY IN COUNCIL: May 31, 2023

By the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Rev. King, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Arnone, Ms. Huchel

Navs:

Absent: Mr. Capriotti

Ifrank Janakovic Mayor

Michael Caprioth, Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No.5353 as the same was passed finally by City Council and signed by the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor of the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Ethan Imhoff, City Manager

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