

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-49

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BURNET, TEXAS,
AMENDING CITY OF BURNET CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2
(ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION") BY AMENDING SECTION 2-100
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE FEES**

WHEREAS, the Burnet Fire Department provides emergency medical services to city and county residents; and

WHEREAS, City Council has established service fees to recover some of the costs associated with providing emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, the emergency services fee schedule has not been amended since 2005; and

WHEREAS, during that period the rate of inflation is almost 58%; and

WHEREAS, the Burnet Fire Department provides additional emergency medical services, not contemplated in 2005; and for which fees need to be established.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS, THAT:

Section one. Amendment. The Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2 (entitled "*Administration*"); Article IV (entitled "*Officers and Departments*"); Division 5 (Entitled "*Burnet Emergency Medical Services Department*") is hereby amended by replacing the entire text in Section 2-100 (entitled "*Service Fees*") with the text set out below:

Sec. 2-100. Service fees.

- (a) Any person who utilizes the services of the emergency medical services department, whether such person requested same or not by reason of emergencies then existing, shall pay the following fees for such services:

Base rate for basic life support service (BLS/NON) \$1,132.00.

Base rate for basic life support service (BLS/EMRG) \$1,342.00.

Base rate for advanced life support service (ALS/NON) \$1,207.00.

Base rate for advanced life support service (ALS1/EMRG) \$1,742.00.

Base rate for advanced life support service (ALS2/SCT) \$2,042.00.

Extra Attendant \$164.00.

Burnet County \$500.00

Treatment No Transport \$150.00.

ALS ambulance stand-by services private events \$150.00 per hour.

ALS/BLS Routine/Disposable Supplies \$52.52

Infection Control \$10.00.

Oxygen/supplies \$135.00

Mileage rate \$21.00 (to be modified periodically to reflect changes in fuel rates.)

Equipment rate—Shall be established for equipment on the ambulance at a rate based on the depreciation of such equipment.

Rates for emergency medical supplies shall be the actual cost of the supply multiplied by 280 percent.

- (b) The city will accept insurance assignments as a method of payment for Medicare and Medicaid and will file or cause to be filed Medicare and Medicaid claims as appropriate.
- (c) The city council from time to time contracts to provide services with other entities at rates established in such contract. Rates as established in approved contracts shall control over this section where there is a conflict between the rates established in such contract and this section.
- (d) The city manager is authorized to make reasonable adjustments from time to time to the mileage and equipment fees for emergency medical services in accordance with subsection (a).

Section two. Findings. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Ordinance for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Council.

Section three. Penalty. A violation of this ordinance is unlawful and subject to City Code of Ordinances Sec. 1-6 (entitled “general penalty”).

Section four. Cumulative. This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of all ordinances and codes, or parts thereof, except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such Ordinances, in which event Section 5, (entitled “Repealer”) shall be controlling.

Section five. Repealer. All ordinances and codes, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.

Section six. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the City hereby declares that this Ordinance would have been enacted without such invalid provision.


Section seven. Publication. The publishers of the City Code are authorized to amend said Code to reflect the changes adopted herein and to correct typographical errors and to format and number paragraphs to conform to the existing Code.

Section eight. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective upon the date of final adoption hereof and publication as required by law.

Passed on first reading on the 12th day of December 2023

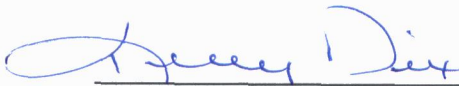
Passed, Approved and Adopted on the 9th day of January 2024

CITY OF BURNET



Gary Wideman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kelly Dix, City Secretary

