#### **ORDINANCE # 2024-003**

# AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE INSTALLATION OF WATER METERS AND COSTS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, pursuant to its home rule powers recognized by K.S.A. 12-101 and amendments thereto, as well as other statutes and law conferring such powers, the City of Bucklin desires to regulate the installation of new water meters on buildings and structures within the city limits and assess fees and costs for the same against the User of such water services.

# NOW THEREFORE, THE BUCKLIN CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE REGARDING THE INSTALLATION OF NEW WATER METERS AND COSTS RELATED THERETO:

## Section I: City to Install All New Water Meters Within City Limits

On and after the effective date listed herein, all new water meters installed on any new or existing structure shall be installed by the City, its employees, or its designees. No individual or entity may contract with any other private or public entity to install a new water meter for any purpose.

### Section II: User Responsible for Cost of Meter and Installation

The User shall be responsible for the actual purchase cost of the new water meter and all labor and material costs necessary to properly install such meter.

#### Section III: Labor Rates Set By City

On and after the effective date listed herein, the rate for labor to install new water meters shall be \$75.00 per hour. The minimum amount of labor to be billed for the installation of a new water meter is eight (8) hours per meter or the actual time required to install such meter, whichever is greater.

This rate may be adjusted from time to time as deemed necessary and prudent by the Bucklin City Council as evidenced by a majority vote adjusting such rate.

#### Section IV: Payment Due Within 30 Days

The cost of installation of a new water meter, including the costs of such meter, labor costs, and actual materials cost, shall be promptly billed to the User by the City Clerk upon completion of installation. Such bill shall be payable and due in full within 30 days of invoicing. Penalties for late payments may be assessed as determined by the City and approved by the Bucklin City Council.

#### Section V: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the date of its passage, adoption, and publication in the official newspaper for the City of Bucklin.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BUCKLIN, KANSAS THIS  $8^{\text{TH}}$  DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

Cody Warden, Mayor

ATTEST:

KIM DILL, CITY CLERK

