



**CITY OF WESTLAKE, OHIO  
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-2:**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE  
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO PAY TO THE  
CITY OF CLEVELAND, DIVISION OF  
WATER, THE CITY OF WESTLAKE'S  
ANNUAL CHARGE FOR FIRE HYDRANT  
USAGE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Westlake has received an Invoice from the City of Cleveland for the City of Westlake's annual charge for fire hydrant usage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor has requested that this Council approve the expenditure and authorize payment of the invoiced amount of Fifty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$53,263.84) for the use of two thousand five hundred three (2,503) fire hydrants; and

**WHEREAS**, this Council desires to approve the amount invoiced and authorize the payment thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1:** That this Council does hereby approve the Invoice of the City of Cleveland, Division of Water, for the City of Westlake's charge for fire hydrant usage in the amount of Fifty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$53,263.84), a copy of which Invoice is attached hereto and made a part hereof and marked Exhibit "A."

**Section 2:** That the Director of Finance be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the City of Cleveland, Division of Water, the amount of Fifty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$53,263.84), pursuant to the aforesaid Invoice.


**Section 3:** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including

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Section 10, Article XI of the Charter of the City of Westlake and Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Section 4:** That this legislation is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to provide for the safety of the citizens of Westlake by prompt payment of hydrant usage fees, and further provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.


Passed: 1/6/15

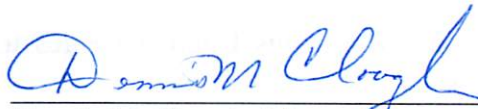
  
Michael F. Killeen  
President of Council

Presented to Mayor: 1/7/15

Approved: 1/7/15

ATTEST:

  
Denise L. Rosenbaum, Clerk of Council

  
Dennis M. Clough, Mayor

I, Denise L. Rosenbaum, Clerk of Council of the City of Westlake do hereby certify that Ordinance/Resolution no. 2015-2 adopted 1/6/15 was duly posted on 1/7/15 and remained posted for a period of 15 days thereafter in not less than 2 of the most public places in the City as determined by the Charter of said City.



ORDINANCE NO. 2015-2 EXHIBIT "A"

City of Cleveland  
Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

Department of Public Utilities  
Division of Utilities Fiscal Control  
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Cleveland, Ohio 44114-1175  
216/664-2444 • Fax: 216/664-4452  
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WESTLAKE FIRE  
CHIEF'S OFFICE

November 18, 2014

City of Westlake  
27700 Hilliard Blvd.  
Westlake, OH 44145  
Attn: James Hughes, Fire Chief

RE: ANNUAL FEE FOR USE OF WATER FROM FIRE HYDRANTS

Dear James Hughes:

The City of Cleveland Codified Ordinance No. 535.28 enacted December 13, 1982, relating to the annual fee for use of water from fire hydrants by direct service municipalities, provides in part that:

- 1) Each direct service municipality shall pay an annual fee in advance for the use of water from fire hydrants.
- 2) The annual fee per hydrant shall be calculated as of January 1st of each year by multiplying one half mcf (500 cf) times the highest rate then authorized to be charged to a direct service customer located in the service district in which each hydrant is located.

Therefore, the 2015 rates per hydrant for direct service municipalities are as follows:

a) Low and First High Service District	\$21.28 (\$42.56 per mcf x .5)
b) Second High Service District	\$26.20 (\$52.39 per mcf x .5)
c) Third High Service District	\$30.29 (\$60.57 per mcf x .5)

- 3) A certified statement of the number of fire hydrants in each service district in the municipality shall be submitted by an officer of the municipality on or before January 12th of each year.

**THIS IS NOT A BILL.** The City of Cleveland will mail an invoice for the number of hydrants in each service district during the last week of December. All payments are due no later than January 20, 2015.

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Our records indicate the City of Westlake has the following hydrants:

	Count	Cost	Total Due
Low and First High Service	2,503	\$21.28	\$53,263.84
Second High Service District	0	\$26.20	\$0.00
Third High Service District	0	\$30.29	\$0.00
Total Due no later than January 20, 2015	2,503		\$53,263.84

Please review these numbers, sign and return the letter below if you agree. If you have any changes, please send the information along with this letter to the address below:

*Keith Cromer, Interim Chief Financial Officer*  
*Department of Public Utilities*  
*1201 Lakeside Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor*  
*Cleveland, OH 44114*  
*Phone: (216) 664-2444 ext. 5424 Fax (216) 664-4452*

*Failure to certify the number of hydrants in your community by January 12, 2015 will forfeit the right to contest our count for the year. We will use the number of hydrants listed in the Division of Water's records.*

Very truly yours,

*Keith Cromer*

Keith Cromer, Interim Chief Financial Officer  
Department of Public Utilities

cc: Alex Margevicius, Interim Commissioner of Water  
Catherine Troy, Administrative Manager  
Kevin Preslan, Auditor

☒ I agree the number of hydrants listed for the 2015 calendar year.

☐ I do not agree with number of hydrants. Additional information is attached.

JAMES T. HUGGINS  
Name Printed

*James T. Huggins*  
Signature

12-24-14  
Date