

Introduction 9/14/21  
Public Hearing 10/12/21  
Adoption \_\_\_\_\_  
Effective: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE TOWN OF MANCHESTER, MARYLAND  
ORDINANCE NO. 249**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II  
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MANCHESTER  
ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION”,  
CHAPTER 135 ENTITLED “PEACE AND GOOD ORDER”,  
SECTION 135-15 ENTITLED “SERVICE CHARGE”  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SERVICE CHARGE  
FOR EACH NEW RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNIT**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council has determined it to be in the best interests of the Town and its residents to increase the service charge for all new residential units from \$350.00 per single-family home, and \$350.00 per each equivalent dwelling unit, to \$1,500.00 for each such unit, because the fee has not been increased since 2004, and because the fee goes to the Manchester Police Department and the Manchester Volunteer Fire Department to assist in maintaining the level of service as relates to new development, the costs of which have increased since 2004.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MANCHESTER:**

Section 1. That Part II, Chapter 135 to the Town Code, Section 135-15 of the Code be and is hereby repealed and reenacted with amendments as follows:

**§135-15. Service charge.**

A charge shall be made for all new residential units in the amount of ~~\$350~~ \$1,500.00 per single-family home and ~~\$350~~ \$1,500.00 for each equivalent dwelling unit as defined in § 241-10D. Such charge is to be payable prior to the issuance of a building permit in accordance with current practices. A portion of such fees thus collected, in an amount to be determined annually by the Mayor and Council, shall be disbursed to the Manchester Volunteer Fire Engine Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 or any successor entity on a quarterly basis or at such other interval as may be determined by the Mayor of the Town of Manchester in order to defray the additional costs and expenses incurred by virtue of continued growth within the Town of Manchester. The remaining amounts collected under this section shall be placed in a capital expansion account for use in making capital improvements in the safety services to assure a consistent level of services are available to new home residents.

**BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY AFORESAID, that**

this Ordinance shall take effect on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Introduced this 14th day of September, 2021.

Enacted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ opposed.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly J. Baldwin, Secretary

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Vincent Pacelli, Vice-President

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

ATTEST:

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Kelly J. Baldwin, Secretary

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Ryan Warner, Mayor

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND SUFFICIENCY.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Thomas V. McCarron, Town Attorney