

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-35**

Introduced by: Joel Hagy

**A RESOLUTION WAIVING WATER UTILITY LATE FEES AND WATER SHUT-OFFS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 915 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Huron establishes the fees, charges, and assessments to be collected by the City for water services provided to Huron residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 global pandemic has had a considerable effect on Huron residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to its home rule authority under the Ohio Constitution, as well as the City Charter and Chapter 915 of the Codified Ordinances, Council desires to waive late fees and water shut-offs which have accrued or are scheduled to be performed from March 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO:**

**SECTION 1.** That water utility late fees and water shut-offs which have accrued or are scheduled to be performed from March 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 are hereby waived, and regular fees, assessments, and shut-offs shall begin to accrue again effective June 1, 2020.

**SECTION 2.** That this Resolution is hereby declared an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that it will assist Huron residents and businesses who have endured financial hardship during the COVID-19 crisis; and further provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon passage and approval by the Mayor.

**SECTION 3.** That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including O.R.C. § 121.22.

**SECTION 5.** That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption.

ATTEST:   
Clerk of Council

  
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Sam Artino, Mayor

ADOPTED: 26 MAY 2020