## ORDINANCE NO. 2005-17

## AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE RATES FOR SEWER SERVICES READINGS BY THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Water and Sewer Commission of the City of Clinton, Arkansas, has conducted a rate survey and determined that rates for sewer services must be raised so that the Water and Sewer Commission can continue to operate and upgrade its system including its pump stations, pipelines, treatment facilities, extensions, and other assets, without financial loss, and to meet its obligations for debt, servicing, maintenance, repairs, operating expenses, equipment, vehicles and personnel, so as to continue to provide for the expanding needs and demands of the sewer customers its serves; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Clinton, Arkansas, recognizes the needs of the Water and Sewer Commission requiring an increase in sewer rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS:

**Section 1.** Effective upon passage of this Ordinance the Sewer rates to be charged by the Clinton Water and Sewer Department shall be as follows:

## RESIDENTIAL

First 1000 Gallons \$ 6.00 Next 1000 Gallons \$ 2.50

Over 2000 Gallons \$ 2.05 per 1000 gallons

## **COMMERCIAL**

First 1000 Gallons \$ 11.00

All over 1000 Gallons \$ 2.05 per 1000 gallons All over 18,000,000 Gallons \$ 1.55 per 1000 gallons

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**SECTION 2.** The rates established under Section 1 above shall be increased by four percent (4%) effective on July 1, 2006.

**SECTION 3.** The rates established under Section 2 above shall be increased by four percent (4%) effective on July 1, 2007.

**SECTION 4.** The rates established under Section 3 above shall be increased by four percent (4%) effective on July 1, 2008.

**SECTION 5.** The rates established under Section 4 above shall be increased by four percent (4%) effective on July 1, 2009.

**SECTION 6.** The rates established under Section 5 above shall be increased by four percent (4%) effective on July 1, 2010.

**SECTION 7.** All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of said conflict.

**SECTION 8.** So as to assure that the Clinton Water and Sewer does not operate on a deficit and to assure the health and welfare of the citizens of the City of Clinton, in maintaining an effective, safe and compliant sewer system, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of passage.

PASSED: Queguet 11, 2005.

APPROVED:

Merl Eoff, City Clerk

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Brad A. Cazort, City Attorney