

CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 – 177

By: Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 254.03 OF CHAPTER 254 OF TITLE SIX OF PART TWO OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE IN ORDER TO ADJUST CERTAIN FEES FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Section 254.03 of Chapter 254 of Title Six of Part Two of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Strongsville be and is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

254.03 FEES.

Each person whether resident, real property owner in the City of Strongsville, or non-resident, including employees working within the City, calling for and/or receiving emergency medical service with transport from the City shall pay, effective January 1, ~~2020~~2024, a utilization charge therefor determined as follows:

- (a) For BLS services with Transport, the fee shall be ~~Six~~Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (~~\$6~~750.00) plus ~~Fourteen~~Sixteen Dollars (~~\$14~~16.00) per mile.
- (b) For ALSI services with Transport, the fee shall be ~~Seven~~Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (~~\$7~~850.00) plus ~~Fourteen~~Sixteen Dollars (~~\$14~~16.00) per mile.
- (c) For ALSII services with Transport, the fee shall be ~~Nine~~Hundred ~~One Thousand~~ Dollars (~~\$900~~1,000.00) plus ~~Fourteen~~Sixteen Dollars (~~\$14~~16.00) per mile.
- (d) The City will forgive for all Strongsville City residents or owners of real property within the City of Strongsville or employees working within the City of Strongsville or to any covered person where the City has agreed to some other contractual obligation, any outstanding balance resulting from the above fees after available insurance reimbursement is made on their behalf to the City. Individuals receiving a medical transport agree to immediately remit to the City of Strongsville any payments they receive directly from insurance or any source whatsoever, for the services provided to them; and agree to assign all rights to such payments to the City of Strongsville.
- (e) The Director of Finance may waive the aforesaid fee or any portion thereof with regard to persons not included in subsection (d) of this Section 254.03, where it is determined based upon supporting documentation that the non-resident person receiving the services is indigent or otherwise unable to pay for such services, and there is no other source for the payment thereof. In such instances, the individual requesting the waiver shall have the burden of providing any documentation required, including but not limited to verification of income. The City's designated billing agent shall notify each party

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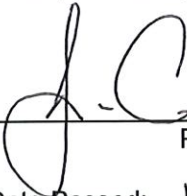
billed of the terms of this subsection in conjunction with the billing for the fee.

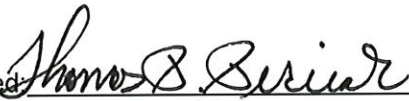
- (f) The charges herein shall be in addition to any other charges payable for such services, including, but not limited to, any tax levied, all or a part of which pays any portion of the cost of emergency medical services, and/or any charges for services rendered by others.

~~(Ord. 2019-191. Passed 12-16-19.)~~

Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare of the City, and for the further reason that such provisions are necessary in order to adjust rates for emergency medical services consistent with current Medicare and commercial insurance guidelines and rates. Therefore, provided this Ordinance 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; otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.


Alison
 President of Council
 Date Passed: 12 18 2023

Approved: 
 Mayor

Date Approved: Dec. 18, 2023

Attest: 
 Clerk of Council

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
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