

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-36

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF WELLSTON LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING THE WELLSTON CITY CLERK TO ESTABLISH POLICIES AS TO
ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF
WELLSTON SENIOR WATER/SEWER RATE DISCOUNT PROGRAM AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS the City of Wellston Council has established rules and regulations for municipal Water and Sewer Charges and have codified those Rules as Chapter 51 of the Wellston Codified Ordinances: Water and Sewer Rates, specifically Section 51.08 titled Water and Sewer Rate Schedule of the Wellston Codified Ordinances, adopting a table with water and sewer rates that included a 10% discount for eligible individuals over the age of 65 years; and

WHEREAS, the discount shall be made available to account holders who are 65 years of age or older in primary, single-family, and owner-occupied residences or residences where the account holder is a primary occupant and the responsible party to a rental or lease agreement; and

WHEREAS the Council has determined that to facilitate and implement this discount program, it will be necessary for the Wellston Clerk to establish a policy as to application and implementation of the program within the confines of the intent of the program as detailed herein, and determine program eligibility through proper verification,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council that:

SECTION 1: The Wellston City Clerk may establish policies as to eligibility determinations, application process included required documentation of identity and the implementation of the Senior Water/ Sewer rate discount program.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety of the City of Wellston, in that it is necessary to approve this additional appropriation in order that expenses can be timely paid as incurred and in accordance with the city's obligations. Therefore, this Resolution shall go into effect upon passage and approval by the Mayor, as provided in the Ohio Revised Code Section 731.30.

SECTION 3: In the event this Resolution receives a majority vote for passage but fails to receive the required number of votes to pass as an emergency, this Resolution shall be deemed to have passed but with no emergency clause, and shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

SECTION 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal acts of this council concerning and relating to adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this council and the deliberations of this council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the legislative authority of the City of Wellston this 5th day of August, 2021.

David McWilliam
Council President

ATTEST:

MEppinangle
Clerk of Council

Approved this 5th day of August, 2021.

Chris
Mayor

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Clerk of Council

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