

#2287

Adopted: 5/7/2024

**AN ORDINANCE**  
**AMENDING THOSE PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 2 / ARTICLE V / DIVISION 2 / SECTION 2 - 137**  
**DEALING WITH FEES**

**Section 1.0 - Purpose of Amendment, Finding**

**WHEREAS**, County staff has reviewed the 9-1-1 emergency monthly fee as it compares to other counties in South Carolina, and as the fee compares to the costs of supplying various emergency services, and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of this inquiry, the County Administrator has reported that the 9-1-1 emergency fee is below the fee charged by other county governments and also does not recover an appropriate portion of the costs of providing the services related thereto, and

**WHEREAS**, Council finds that the fee charged by the County should be increased.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by Charleston County Council, in meeting duly assembled, as follows:

**Section 2.0 - Text Change:**

The pertinent portions of Section 2 - 137 of the Charleston County Code of Ordinance entitled "Schedule established" are hereby amended as follows:9-1-1 Emergency service fee:

1. Fee per month upon each local exchange facility subscribed by telephone subscribers.....0.60

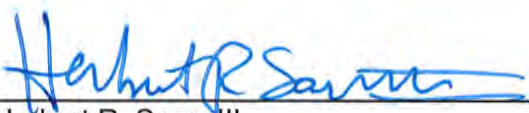
**Section 3.0 - Effective dates; severability**

This ordinance shall be effective immediately following approval at third reading. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any circumstance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, this holding does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

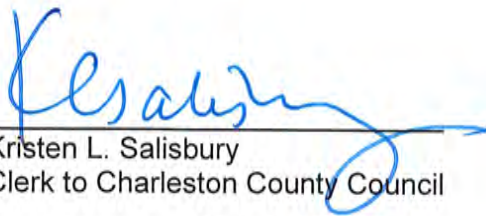
ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024.

CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA



By:   
Herbert R. Sass, III  
Chairman of Charleston County Council

ATTEST:

By:   
Kristen L. Salisbury  
Clerk to Charleston County Council

First Reading: March 26, 2024  
Second Reading: April 9, 2024  
Public Hearing: May 7, 2024  
Third Reading: May 7, 2024