

BEREA CITY COUNCIL

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-48

By: Councilwoman Mary K. Brown Sponsor: Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

AN ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING A UTILIZATION CHARGE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE BEREA FIRE DEPARTMENT, AUTHORIZING A COLLECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES THEREFOR, EXPRESSLY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Berea adopted Ordinance No. 2017-1 which established the utilization charge for emergency medical services provided by the City's Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, in response to current expenses and inflationary conditions, it is now fair and appropriate to increase such fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berea provides emergency medical services within the City and, pursuant to provisions of mutual aid agreements and/or applicable law permitting mutual aid, outside the City limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the following fee structure, per person, per call, for services rendered by the City of Berea Emergency Medical Services for such services and transportation to a medical facility shall be as follows:

Advanced Life Support (ALS II)	\$975.00
Advanced Life Support (ALS I)	\$750.00
Basic Life Support (BLS)	\$600.00
Mileage Fee (one-way)	\$015.00 per mile

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to establish a billing procedure consistent with the rates identified in Section 1 above, for the services provided and to perform collection of such billings or to engage an agency to perform such collection services for a reasonable fee which shall be negotiated from time to time by the Mayor.

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SECTION 3. That it is the policy of this Council that the procedures for billing shall include the waiver of such billings where it is determined that a Berea resident receiving the emergency services is indigent or otherwise unable to pay for such services and there is no other source for the payment thereof.

SECTION 4. That the charges identified hereinabove shall be in addition to any other charges payable for such services including, but not limited to, any tax levied, all or part of which pays any portion of the cost of emergency medical services, or any charges for services rendered by others.

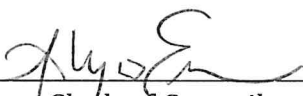
SECTION 5. That the funds collected pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be deposited into the Safety Capital Improvement Fund, designated for accounting purposes as Fund No. 410, for the purpose(s) set forth in Section 1 hereinabove.

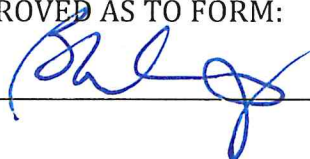
SECTION 6. That Ordinance No. 2017-1, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference herein, is hereby expressly repealed.

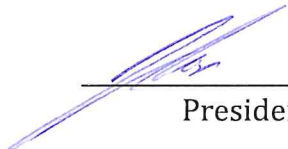
SECTION 7. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 8. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to commence charging and collecting the higher fee for the funding of City safety improvements. 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.

PASSED: November 20, 2023

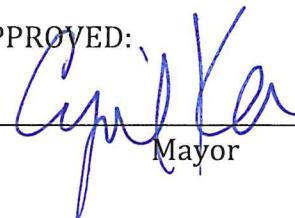
ATTEST: 
Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____, Director of Law



President of Council

APPROVED:



Mayor

Exhibit "A"

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

Ordinance No. 2017-1

By Nick Haschka Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

AN ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING A UTILIZATION CHARGE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE BEREA FIRE DEPARTMENT, AUTHORIZING A COLLECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES THEREFOR, EXPRESSLY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2009-14, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Berea adopted Ordinance No. 2009-14, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A", which repealed and replaced the previously established utilization charge for emergency medical services provided by the City's Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, such charges have not been increased since 2009 and it is now fair and appropriate to increase such fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berea provides emergency medical services within the City and, pursuant to provisions of mutual aid agreements and/or applicable law permitting mutual aid, outside the City limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the following fee structure, per person, per call, for services rendered by the City of Berea Emergency Medical Services for such services and transportation to a medical facility shall be as follows:

Basic Life Support	\$550.00
Advanced Life Support Level I (ALS I)	\$650.00
Advanced Life Support Level II (ALS II)	\$750.00
Mileage Fee (one-way)	\$ 14.00 per mile

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to establish a billing procedure consistent with the rates identified in Section 1 above for the services provided, and to perform collection of such billings or to engage an agency to perform such collection services for a reasonable fee which shall be negotiated from time to time by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. That it is the policy of this Council that the procedures for billing shall include the waiver of such billings where it is determined that a Berea resident receiving the emergency services is indigent or otherwise unable to pay for such services and there is no other source for the payment thereof.

SECTION 4. That the charges identified hereinabove shall be in addition to any other charges payable for such services including, but not limited to, any tax levied, all or part of which pays any portion of the cost of emergency medical services, or any charges for services rendered by others.

SECTION 5. That the funds collected pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be deposited into the Safety Capital Improvement Fund, designated for accounting purposes as Fund No. 410, for the purpose(s) set forth in Section 1 hereinabove.

SECTION 6. That Ordinance No. 2009-14, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", is hereby expressly repealed.

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

Ordinance No. 2017-1

By Haschka Sponsored By Mayor Kleem

SECTION 7. 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 of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 8. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to commence charging and collecting the higher fee for the funding of the City safety improvements. 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.

PASSED: January 3, 2017


President of Council

ATTEST: [Signature]
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: January 3, 2017

[Signature]
Mayor

Approved as to Form:

[Signature]
Director of Law

Exhibit
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COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE No. 2009-14

By Dale A. Lange Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

AN ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING A UTILIZATION CHARGE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE BEREA FIRE DEPARTMENT, AUTHORIZING A COLLECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES THEREFOR, EXPRESSLY REPEALING ORDINANCE 96-19, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Berea adopted Ordinance 96-19 and repealed the same by adoption of Ordinance No. 2003-30, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, as Exhibit "A", which established then updated the utilization charge for emergency medical services provided by the City's Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, such charges have not been increased since 2003 and it is now fair and appropriate to increase such fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berea provides emergency medical services within the City and, pursuant to provisions of mutual aid agreements and/or applicable law permitting mutual aid, outside the City limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio;

SECTION 1. That the following fee structure, per person, per call, for services rendered by the City of Berea Emergency Medical Services for such services and transportation to a medical facility shall be as follows:

Basic Life Support	\$450.00
Advanced Life Support	\$600.00
One-way Mileage	\$ 10.00/mile

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to establish a billing procedure consistent with the rates identified in Section 1 above for the services provided and to perform collection of such billings or to engage an agency to perform such collection services for a reasonable fee which shall be negotiated from time to time by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. That it is the policy of this Council that the procedures for billing shall include the waiver of such billings where it is determined that the person receiving the emergency services is indigent or otherwise unable to pay for such services and there is no other source for the payment thereof.

SECTION 4. That the charges identified hereinabove shall be in addition to any other charges payable for such services including, but not limited to, any tax levied, all or part of which pays any portion of the cost of emergency medical services, or any charges for services rendered by others.

SECTION 5. That the funds collected pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be deposited into the Safety Capital Improvement Fund, designated for accounting purposes as Fund No. 410, for the purpose(s) set forth in Section 1 hereinabove.

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ORDINANCE No. 2009-14

By Dale A. Lange Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

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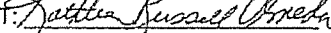
SECTION 6. That Ordinance 2003-30 attached here to as Exhibit "A" is hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 7. 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 of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 8.. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to commence charging and collecting the higher fee for the funding of the City safety improvements. 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.

PASSED: February 17, 2009

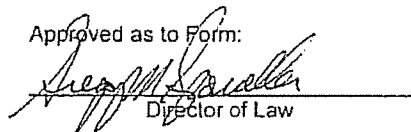

President of Council

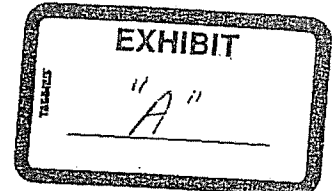
ATTEST: 
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: February 17, 2009


Mayor

Approved as to Form:


Director of Law



ORDINANCE NO. 2009-14

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE No. 2003-30

By James H. Baker Sponsored By Mayor Joseph W. Biddlecombe

AN ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING A UTILIZATION CHARGE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE BEREA FIRE DEPARTMENT, AUTHORIZING A COLLECTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES THEREFOR, EXPRESSLY REPEALING ORDINANCE 96-19, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Berea adopted Ordinance 96-19, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, as Exhibit A, which established a utilization charge for emergency medical services provided by the City's Fire Department; and,

WHEREAS, such charges have not been increased since 1996 and it is now appropriate to increase such fees; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Berea provides emergency medical services within the City and, pursuant to provisions of mutual aid agreements and/or applicable law permitting mutual aid, outside the City limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio;

SECTION 1. That the following fee structure, per person, per call, for services rendered by the City of Berea Emergency Medical Services for such services and transportation to a medical facility shall be as follows:

Basic Life Support	\$ 350.00
Advanced Life Support	\$ 450.00
One-way Mileage	\$ 6.00/mile

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to establish a billing procedure consistent with the rates identified in Section 1 above for the services provided and to perform collection of such billings or to engage an agency to perform such collection services for a reasonable fee which shall be negotiated from time to time by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. That it is the policy of this Council that the procedures for billing shall include the waiver of such billings where it is determined that the person receiving the emergency services is indigent or otherwise unable to pay for such services and there is no other source for the payment thereof.

SECTION 4. That the charges identified hereinabove shall be in addition to any other charges payable for such services including, but not limited to, any tax levied, all or part of which pays any portion of the cost of emergency medical services, or any charges for services rendered by others.

SECTION 5. That the funds collected pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be deposited into the Safety Capital Improvement Fund, designated for accounting purposes as Fund No. 410, for the purpose(s) set forth in Section 1 hereinabove.

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE No. 2003-30

By James H. Baker Sponsored By Mayor Joseph W. Biddlecombe

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SECTION 6. That Ordinance 96-19 attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 7. 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 of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 8. 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, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to commence charging and collecting the higher fee for the funding of the City safety improvements. 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.

PASSED: June 2, 2003

A. J. Maxwell
President of Council

ATTEST: Kathleen Russell Olmsted
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: June 3, 2003

Joe Biddlecombe
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Greg M. Donnell
Director of Law

EXHIBIT

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COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE No. 96-19

By Den R. Folino Sponsored By Mayor Stanley J. Trupo

AN ORDINANCE

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WHEREAS, the City of Berea provides emergency medical services within the City and, pursuant to provisions of mutual aid agreements and/or applicable law permitting mutual aid, outside the City limits; and

WHEREAS, such services are funded through property and income taxes, and currently no utilization fees are charged for such services; and

WHEREAS, this Council and Administration believe that it is appropriate to charge a reasonable utilization fee for such emergency services for those having the capability of paying for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the following fee structure, per person, per call, for services rendered by the City of Berea Emergency Medical Services for such services and transportation to a medical facility shall be as follows:

Basic Life Support	\$300.00
Advanced Life Support	\$350.00
One-way Mileage	\$ 3.00/mi.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to establish a billing procedure consistent with the rates identified in Section 1 above for the services provided, and to perform collection of such billings or to engage an agency to perform such collection services for a reasonable fee which shall be negotiated from time to time by the Mayor.

SECTION 3. That it is the policy of this Council that the procedures for billing shall include the waiver of such billings where it is determined that the person receiving the emergency services is indigent or otherwise unable to pay for such services, and there is no other source for the payment thereof.

SECTION 4. That the charges identified hereinabove shall be in addition to any other charges payable for such services, including, but not limited to, any tax levied, all or part of which pays any portion of the cost of emergency medical services, or any charges for services rendered by others.

SECTION 5. That the funds collected pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be deposited into the general fund of the City of Berea.

SECTION 6. 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 of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE No. 96-19

By Dan R. Folino Sponsored By Mayor Stanley J. Trupo

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SECTION 7. 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, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to reimburse the City for the time and moneys expended in providing this service to non-taxpayers. 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.

PASSED: April 15, 1996

Jeffrey D. King
President of Council

ATTEST: *Kathleen Russell Obenshain*
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: April 17, 1996

Stanley J. Trupo
Mayor

Approved as to Form:

Gregory M. Smaller
Director of Law