AN ORDINANCE INCREASING SEWER RATES FOR CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI.

WHEREAS, the City of West Plains has been providing sewer services to its citizens and charging a user fee therefor; and

WHEREAS, the current fee schedule was last revised in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of West Plains desires to maintain user fees where revenues will cover operating expenses, overhead expense, and normal replacement costs; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing sewer services to utility customers of the City of West Plains, Missouri, has continued to increase; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, in order to offset the increased costs, deem it necessary to increase the present rates to its customers; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Plains, Missouri has determined that fair and reasonable rates for sewer services are set forth in Sections 1, 2 and 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1:</u> That the City Council of the City of West Plains, Missouri does hereby authorize and ratify the increase of user fees, a true copy of said user fees being attached hereto and made a part of here as EXHIBIT A.

<u>Section 2:</u> That the minimum sewer rate shall continue to be charged to customers on the basis of water meter presence.

Section 3: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval with rates reflected on the January 2023 bill.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19h DAY OF DECEMBER 2022.

CITY OF WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI

BY: Mayor Michael Topliff

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK ALLISON SKINNER

EXHIBIT A

Sewer Rates				
		2022		2023
Facility Charge (Minimum/Base Rate)				
Residential	\$	11.00	\$	14.30
Commercial	\$	23.00	\$	29.90
<u>Usage Per 1,000 Gallon</u> >1,001	\$	2.03	\$	2.64
Surcharge (Debt Exp 2024)				
Base Monthly Charge	\$	6.70	\$	6.70
Usage Per 1,000 Gallon	\$	0.10	\$	0.10