

**ORDINANCE NO. 2007-01
CITY OF HIGHLAND, ARKANSAS**

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR INSTALLATION OF SEWER PUMPS, TANKS
AND SERVICE LINES AND REQUIRED CONNECTIONS TO THE SEWER SYSTEM
FACILITIES AND RE-CONNECTION FEES**

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WHEREAS, some homes in the City are vacant; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Highland, Arkansas:

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 - (ii) to replace the tank and pump, a fee of \$3,500.00 (three thousand five hundred dollars).

Section 2. Fees for New Connections to Sewer System

- (a) A new connection to the sewer system will be charged the following fees if the City provides labor and equipment (the City to bring the sewer service from the existing sewer main line to the tank and pump location and the owner of the property will be responsible for connecting the sewer line and electrical service from the tank and pump location to the structure):
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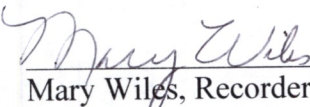
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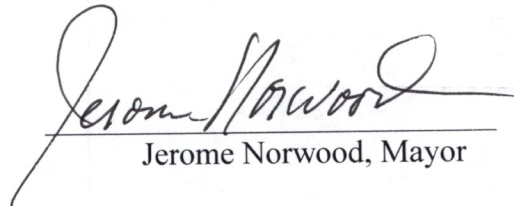
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PASSED AND ADOPTED this the 13 day of March, 2007.

ATTEST:



Mary Wiles, Recorder/Treasurer
(seal)



Jerome Norwood, Mayor



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