

Ordinance No: 06-17F

ORDINANCE SETS UTILITY DEPOSIT AND TAP FEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELIZABETH, LOUISIANA UTILITY CUSTOMERS AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

SECTION 1: BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of Elizabeth, Louisiana in special session convened, that the Board of Alderman and Mayor hereby enacted an amendment to Ordinance 06-17E which allows the Village of Elizabeth to require a permit fee prior to natural gas generators being installed and additional fees for an upgrade. Ordinance to become **Ordinance 06-17F** and is hereby enacted to read as follows:

SECTION 2: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the water, sewer and gas **deposit** of the Village of Elizabeth utility system are to be charged before services are connected as shown in section below unless prior arrangements have been approved by Mayor.

CONNECT SERVICES

Residential:

- Water Deposit: **\$200** plus **\$25** connect Fee = **\$225**
- Gas Deposit: **\$225** plus **\$25** connect Fee = **\$250**
- Water and Gas Deposit = **\$425** plus **\$50** connect Fee = **\$475**

Commercial

- Water Deposit: **\$225** plus **\$25** connect Fee = **\$250**
- Gas Deposit: **\$250** plus **\$25** connect Fee = **\$275**
- Water and Gas Deposit = **\$475** plus **\$50** connect Fee = **\$525**

Section 3: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the water, sewer and gas **tap fee** for the Village of Elizabeth utility system are to be charged before services are connected as shown in section below unless prior arrangements have been approved by Mayor. Prices are for flat ground installation. Large ditches, road bores, excess flow valves and any work or materials outside the normal scope of work can cost extra and is not included in Tap and Deposit Fees.

TAP COST FOR NEW SERVICES

Residential:

- Install Sewer Tap: **\$375 Fee**
- Install Water Tap (¾" Meter): **\$175 Fee + (\$200 Deposit and \$25 Connect Fee) to Total \$400**
- Install Gas Tap: **\$250 Fee + (\$225 Deposit and \$25 Connect Fee) to Total \$500**

Commercial:

- Install Sewer Tap: **\$475 Fee**
- Install Water Tap (1" Meter): **\$350 FEE + (\$225 Deposit and \$25 connect fee) to Total \$600**
- Install Water Tap (2" Meter or larger) **\$850 Fee + (\$225 Deposit and \$25 connect) to Total \$1100**
- Install Gas Tap: **\$300 Fee + (\$250 Deposit and \$25 connect fee) to Total \$575**

SECTION 4: BE IT ORDAINED that if a customer’s services are disconnected due to nonpayment, they have 30 days from the 10th of the month due date to notify the office that they wish to final bill their utility account or reconnect services. If no payment or notification within 30 days to the Village office, the Village of Elizabeth will final bill the account and apply the deposit on file. Customer will be responsible for balance due after deposit is applied. This amendment effective as of January 10, 2023.

SECTION 5: BE IT ORDAINED that this amendment to ordinance (Section 3) shall become effective August 15, 2023 and if any provision or items of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or application of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision, items, or application and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION 6: BE IT ORDAINED that all customers requesting to install a natural gas generator must obtain a \$25.00 permit from the Village office prior to installation and may incur additional fees associated with installation.. This amendment will become effective November 15, 2024.

SECTION 7: BE IT ORDAINED that all ordinance or part of ordinance in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on the 14th day of October, 2024. After Public Hearing having been held on November 14, 2024, title having been read and Ordinance considered, on motion by Councilman Ken Kelly and seconded by Councilwoman Mea Dillehay to adopt said Ordinance 06-17F. A record vote was taken and the following result was had:

Mea Dillehay: yea Ken Kelly: yea Stacy Weldon: yea

APPROVED by:/s/Mandy L Green, Mayor

ATTEST by:/s/Denise Lee, LCMClerk