

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DENTON, A TEXAS HOME-RULE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE VENDOR AGREEMENTS WITH NON-PROFIT OR GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE UTILITY BILL RELIEF; PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS ISSUED TO DENTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ON BEHALF OF CUSTOMERS FROM SAID NON-PROFIT OR GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Denton operates municipally-owned utilities;

WHEREAS, certain non-profit organizations that provide utility bill relief to certain eligible individuals requires a vendor agreement with the City of Denton in order to provide utility bill assistance to City of Denton customers;

WHEREAS, based on a program's funding source, including but not limited to federal funded assistance programs, requires such agreements to be executed by the City of Denton to establish fund availability for City of Denton utility customers.

WHEREAS, such agreements and programs do not require any financial expenditures from the City of Denton to be a participant.

WHEREAS, such programs permit the non-profit organization to pay the City of Denton directly for its eligible customers that are entitled to financial relief or assistance under their program(s).

WHEREAS, certain programs offered by these non-profit vendors are often offered only for limited period of times and delays for approval of each agreement by the Public Utility Board and City Council could prevent or delay eligible City of Denton utility customers important financial relief they are eligible for under said programs.

WHEREAS, the Public Utility Board has considered this matter and recommended that the City Council approve and authorize the execution of the vendor agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this ordinance is in the best interest of both the citizens and ratepayers; NOW THEREFORE;

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The recitals in the preamble are true and correct and are incorporated herewith by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Manager, or their designee, is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City of Denton the necessary documents approving vendor agreements with the City of Denton and third party non-profit organizations that provide financial utility assistance to City of Denton utility customers.

SECTION 3. That the City of Denton through its Customer Service Department is authorized to accept payments for utility services provided to City of Denton customers directly from said non-profit organizations.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be and become effective immediately upon and after its adoption and approval;

The motion to approve this Ordinance was made by _____ and seconded by _____, the Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote [__ - __]:

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Gerard Hudspeth:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Vicki Byrd, District 1:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Brian Beck, District 2:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Jesse Davis, District 3:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alison Maguire, District 4:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Brandon Chase McGee, At Large Place 5:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Chris Watts, At Large Place 6:	_____	_____	_____	_____

PASSED AND APPROVED this the ____ day of August 2022.

GERARD HUDSPETH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
ROSA RIOS, CITY SECRETARY

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
MACK REINWAND, CITY ATTORNEY



By: _____