

ORDINANCE NO. 18-5703

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, PROVIDING THAT THE BILLINGS, MONTANA CITY CODE BE AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION NUMBERED 10-405; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF A TECHNOLOGY FEE BY MUNICIPAL COURT AS PART OF THE DISPOSITION OF ALL CITATIONS AND COMPLAINTS, CRIMINAL AND TRAFFIC.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA:

Section 1. That the Billings, Montana City Code be amended by adding a section numbered 10-405, to read as follows:

Sec. 10-405. – Establishment of Municipal Court Technology Fee.

The Municipal Court shall assess a technology fee of five dollars (\$5.00) as part of the disposition of all citations and complaints, criminal and traffic, for which there is a conviction, bond forfeiture, finding or admission of violation, nolo contendere plea, or plea of guilty entered. This fee shall be assessed to offset expenses, costs or maintenance of equipment necessary to implement and maintain electronic citations and/or complaints for criminal or traffic offenses. This technology fee shall be assessed on each citation or complaint in addition to the regular fines, surcharges and fees at the time of disposition. The amount of the technology fee may be modified by resolution of the city council.

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after second reading and final adoption as provided by law.

Section 3. REPEALER. All resolutions, ordinances, and sections of the City Code inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance which may be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

PASSED by the City Council on first reading this 26th day of March, 2018.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on second reading this 9th day of April, 2018.



CITY OF BILLINGS

By: William A. Cole
William A. Cole, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: Denise R. Bohlman
Denise R. Bohlman, City Clerk