

ORDINANCE NO. C-15-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-150 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, INCREASING THE FEE FOR A WRITTEN CERTIFICATION CONCERNING UNPAID SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, UTILITY BILLS, CODE ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS, OR ANY REVENUES DUE, WITH REGARD TO ANY PROPERTY OR REAL ESTATE SERVED BY THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the cost of providing a written certification concerning unpaid special assessments, utility bills, code enforcement actions, or any revenues due, with regard to any property or real estate served by the City of Fort Lauderdale, has increased,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Section 2-150 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is amended to provide as follows:

Sec. 2-150. Fees for services of city for furnishing information regarding unpaid utility bills and special assessments.

A fee of ~~twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)~~ one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) shall be paid to the city by any person requesting a written certification concerning unpaid special assessments, utility bills, code enforcement actions, or any revenues due, with regard to any property or real estate served by the city, to be completed by the Utility Billing and Collections Division of the Finance Department ("Division") by its close of business on the business day following its receipt of the request, and a fee of seventy-five dollars (\$75) shall be paid to the city by any person requesting such certification to be completed by the Division by its close of business three business days following its receipt of the request. Such fee shall be paid in advance by the person requesting such information and a separate fee shall be paid for each individual parcel of property or

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real estate for which inquiry is made. ~~Should a request for expedited service be received, the expedited service associated with the request will be subject to the fee charged pursuant to this section to be doubled. Expedited service shall be for service completed within four (4) working hours of proper receipt.~~ The city does not warrant or guarantee the accuracy of any such information furnished until final billing and audit. The city commission may review and revise the amount of such fee as often as it deems advisable.

SECTION 2. That if any clause, section or other part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on February 2, 2015.

PASSED FIRST READING this the 6th day of January, 2015.

PASSED SECOND READING this the 21st day of January, 2015.

Mayor
JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

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