ORDINANCE 2025 - 07

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE 2024-25) TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR OBTAINING OWNERSHIP OF WEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S SEWER PUMP STATION AND DISCHARGE LINE

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Juliet recognizes the benefit to the public health and safety of all citizens which will be accomplished by obtaining ownership of West Elementary School's sewer pump station and discharge line; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 2006-40, West Elementary School is currently an outside city customer of the City of Mt. Juliet sewer system and is responsible for all customer and use charges from the City sewer system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 2006-40, West Elementary School took ownership of and responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the pump station and discharge line installed from its property to the point of connection with the City of Mt. Juliet's sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County School System, pending School Board approval, has agreed to grant ownership of the land on which the sewer pump station sits by executing a Warranty Deed to the City of Mt. Juliet in exchange for the City of Mt. Juliet (1) taking ownership of the pump station and discharge line; (2) responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the pump station; and (3) continuing to provide sewer service to West Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, obtaining ownership of West Elementary School's sewer pump station and discharge line will facilitate the Tennessee Department of Transportation's pending project to construct a turn lane and improve traffic conditions on Lebanon Road in front of West Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, obtaining ownership of West Elementary School's sewer pump station will allow simpler and more economical future sewer connections for business owners and residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the current sewer infrastructure on West Elementary School's property does not meet City standards and the total cost to bring said sewer infrastructure up to City standards will be approximately one hundred and sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee as follows:

Section 1. The 2024/2025 Budget Ordinance (Ordinance 2024-25) is hereby amended as follows:

Waste Water Utility Fund

Increase the Following Expenditures:

412-52212-939

Pump Station West Elementary

\$160,000

Decrease Fund Balance:

412-27100

Fund Balance

\$160,000

Section 2. The City of Mt. Juliet shall:

- (A) Pending approval by various boards, accept Wilson County School System's conveyance of the land on which the West Elementary School's pump station sits; and
- (B) Upgrade the pump station to meet current City standards; and
- **(C)** Maintain ownership and responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the pump station and discharge line; and
- **(D)** Continue to provide outside city sewer to West Elementary School, subject to all customer and use charges.

Section 3. The City's ownership and upgrade of the pump station will only occur after the necessary Warranty Deed by and between the Wilson County School System and the City of Mt. Juliet has been board approved, executed, and recorded.

Section 4. The budget ordinance, as amended, is ratified and readopted in all respects and this amendment is incorporated therein.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED:

In case of conflict between this ordinance or any part hereof, and the whole part of any existing ordinance of the City, the conflicting ordinance is repealed to the extent of the conflict but no further. If any section, clause, or provision or portion of this ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other section, clause, or provision or portion of this ordinance.

This ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: 1/27/25

James Maness, Mayor

FIRST READING: 1/13/25 SECOND READING: 1/27/25

ATTEST:

Sheila S. Luckett, MMC, City Recorder

Kenny Martin,**∕t**ity Manager

ARPROVED AS TO FORM:

Samantha A. Burnett, City Attorney