

ORDINANCE #2019-002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATTERSON, GEORGIA ESTABLISHING A \$25.00 SURCHARGE TO BE IMPOSED BY THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF PATTERSON FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OR ENHANCEMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OF THE PATTERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Patterson Police Department utilizes electronic data processing and reporting; and

WHEREAS, the police department staff must maintain the hardware and software in order to remain current with periodic changes; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Patterson desires to impose a surcharge on local ordinance and state law violations prosecuted in the Municipal Court of the City of Patterson to fund any necessary computer-related equipment used when processing said violations; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Patterson authorizes the imposition of fees and surcharges in the Municipal Court of the City of Patterson;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATTERSON HEREBY ORDAINS, AS FOLLOWS:

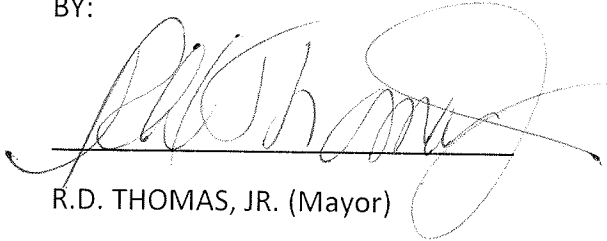
SECTION ONE: The Code of the City of Patterson, Georgia is hereby amended to establish a \$25.00 surcharge that shall be imposed upon each case of any ordinance of the City or any law of the State of Georgia prosecuted in the Municipal Court of the City of Patterson. However, this surcharge shall not be imposed upon any such violation if state law would prohibit the surcharge. This surcharge shall be in addition to any other surcharges, fees, or fines imposed because of such violation.

SECTION TWO: In the event any portion of this ordinance shall be declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, it is the intention of the City Council of the City of Patterson that such adjudication shall in no manner affect the other sections, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause or phrase were not originally part of the ordinance.

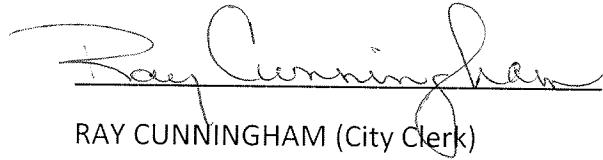
SECTION THREE: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

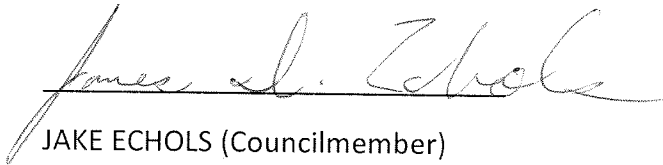
Adopted this 9 day of May, 2019 by the affirmative vote of a majority of the councilmembers present at an official meeting of the Council of the City of Patterson.

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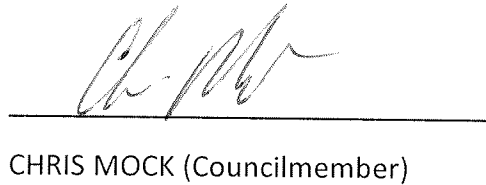

R.D. THOMAS, JR. (Mayor)

ATTEST:



RAY CUNNINGHAM (City Clerk)


JAKE ECHOLS (Councilmember)


TERESA LEGGETT (Councilmember)


CHRIS MOCK (Councilmember)


DAVID SMITH (Councilmember)


JOAN TEGLAS (Councilmember)

Date of 1st Reading 4/11/2019

Date of 2nd Reading and Approval 5-9-19