

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION

4-2-62(a), 4-2-62(b), 4-2-62(b)(1), 4-2-62(b)(2), 4-2-62(c), 4-2-62(c)(1) and 4-2-62(c)(2)

OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia:

That Section 4-2-62 – Levy of tax shall be amended as shown:

Sec. 4-2-62. - Levy of tax; amount.

- (a) Except as hereinafter provided, there is hereby imposed and levied by the city upon each and every purchaser of a utility service a tax in the amount of twenty (20) percentum of the charge (exclusive of any federal tax thereon) made by the seller against the purchaser with respect to each utility service, which tax in every case shall be collected by the seller from the purchaser and shall be paid by the purchaser to the seller for the use of the city at the time the purchase price or such charge shall become due and payable under the agreement between the purchaser and the seller; provided, that in case any monthly bill submitted by any seller for residential service shall exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) for a residential user, there shall be no tax computed on so much of such bill as shall exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) and in case any monthly bill submitted by any seller for commercial or industrial service shall exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) there shall be no tax computed on so much of such bill as shall exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00). Bills shall be considered monthly bills if submitted twelve (12) times per year for periods of approximately one (1) month each. In case bills are submitted by any seller for two (2) months' service, there shall be no tax computed on so much of such bill as shall exceed twenty dollars (\$20.00) for a residential user or two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a commercial or industrial user.
- (b) Effective with the first bill for electric energy rendered for meter readings on or after July 1, 2017, the rate of tax on the electric energy delivered to the user shall be as follows:
 - (1) *Residential user*: Each residential user shall pay a base tax rate of one dollar (\$1.00) per month, plus \$0.0024 per kilowatt hour (kWh) delivered, with a maximum tax of two dollars (\$2.00) per month.
 - (2) *Commercial or industrial user*: Each commercial or industrial user shall pay a base tax rate of one dollar (\$1.00) per month, plus \$0.0166 per kilowatt hour (kWh) delivered, with a maximum tax of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per month.

(c) Effective with the first bill for gas service rendered for meter readings on or after July 1, 2017, the rate of tax on the natural gas delivered to the user shall be as follows:

- (1) *Residential user*: Each residential user shall pay a flat tax of two dollars (\$2.00) per individual or separate residence per month.
- (2) *Commercial or industrial user*: Each commercial or industrial user shall pay a base tax rate of four dollars and sixty-five cents (\$4.65) per month, plus \$0.155 per one hundred (100) cubic feet of gas at standard pressure and temperature (CCF) delivered, with a maximum tax of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per month.

This ordinance shall be effective on the 1st day of July, 2017

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk