### **VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH**

#### 16-10-25

# AN ORDINANCE ADDING § 1-8-11 TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ANTIOCH PASSING COSTS OF COLLECTIONS TO DEBTORS

#### ADOPTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, ILLINOIS

ON

October 3, 2016

Published in pamphlet form by authority of the Village Board of the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.

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#### **ORDINANCE 16-10-25**

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WHEREAS, from time to time, various persons and entities incur debts due to the Village from a variety of sources, which could include things like unpaid adjudication court tickets, unpaid water and sewer bills and unpaid license or permit fees, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that it is inherently unfair for the honest citizens of this Village to pay the costs of collecting on such debts, and it is equally unfair for such debts to continue without reasonable and ongoing efforts to collect the same, and

**WHEREAS**, 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1 gives the Village certain powers to collect debts, including specifically the following provision:

A default in the payment of a fine or penalty or any installment of a fine or penalty may be collected by any means authorized for the collection of monetary judgments. The municipal attorney of the municipality in which the fine or penalty was imposed may retain attorneys and private collection agents for the purpose of collecting any default in payment of any fine or penalty or installment of that fine or penalty. Any fees or costs incurred by the municipality with respect to attorneys or private collection agents retained by the municipal attorney under this Section shall be charged to the offender. and

WHEREAS, the Village Board wishes to utilize the foregoing statutory provision so as to ensure that debtors bear the cost of their debts and collection efforts to the maximum extent possible,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION ONE:** Title I, Chapter 8 of the Antioch Municipal Code is hereby amended by the addition of Section 11 which shall hereafter read as follows:

1-8-11 Bad Debt Collection Fees. Consistent with the provisions of 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1, the Village Attorney, in consultation with the Administrator and Finance Director, may retain collection agencies and collection attorneys to collect unpaid debts and financial defaults. Any and all fees incurred by the Village in respect to such collectors shall be additional obligations of the debtors, and shall be added to the amounts subject to collection.

**SECTION TWO:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, ILLINOIS, ON THIS 30 DAY OF 0 to ber, 2016.	
ATTEST:	
LAWRENCE M. HANSON, MAYOR  OF AND CORPORATE COUNT 1892  TO STAND THE COUNT 1892	-

STATE OF ILLINOIS )
SS
COUNTY OF LAKE )

#### **CERTIFICATE**

I, Lori K. Romine, certify that I am the duly appointed Municipal Clerk of the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois.

I certify that on October 3, 2016, the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. 16-10-25, entitled "AN ORDINANCE ADDING § 1-8-11 TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ANTIOCH PASSING COSTS OF COLLECTIONS TO DEBTORS" which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of **Ordinance No. 16-10-25**, including the Ordinance and cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing on October 5, 2016 and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

DATED at Antioch, Illinois, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC

Village Clerk

