ORDINANCE NO. 22-20

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND '210(e)(7) AND '1066.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AVON TO INCREASE CERTAIN FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the cost of providing emergency health care through the City’s Emergency Medical Services (EMS) continues to increase and insurance coverages for said services continues to change; and

WHEREAS, the Administration, to keep pace with these increased costs is recommending to Council that certain fee increases as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, Council finds the recommendation of the Administration and Finance Director to be in the public interest and that the increases in fees will result in additional revenues without any decrease in the level of service to citizens and will thereby promote the public health, safety, and welfare of the all residents of Avon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO:

Section 1 - Section 210(e)(7) of the Avon Codified Ordinance which currently reads as follows:

(7) Emergency ambulance service (Sec. 1066.02);

| A) | Advanced Life Support Emergency Base Rate | $650.00 per patient (Plus $12.00 per loaded mile) |
| B) | Advanced Life Support II Emergency Base Rate: (plus $12.00 per loaded mile) | $750.00 per patient |
| C) | Basic Life Support Emergency Base Rate (plus $12.00 per loaded mile) | $550.00 per patient |
| D) | Loaded Patient Transport Mileage | $12.00 per loaded mile |
| E) | EMS Response Without Transport | No Charge |

shall be amended as follows: (New language in bold print)

(7) Emergency ambulance service (Sec. 1066.02);

| A) | Advanced Life Support Emergency Base Rate | $750.00 per patient (Plus $14.00 per loaded mile) |
| B) | Advanced Life Support II Emergency Base Rate: (plus $14.00 per loaded mile) | $875.00 per patient |
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C) Basic Life Support Emergency Base Rate $550.00 per patient (plus $14.00 per loaded mile)

D) Loaded Patient Transport Mileage $14.00 per loaded mile

E) EMS Response Without Transport No Charge

Section 2 - Section 1066.02 of the Avon Codified Ordinance which currently reads as follows:

1066.02 FEES; AREA OF OPERATIONS; EFFECTIVE DATE.

The fees set forth herein shall be established and implemented for the following Emergency Medical Services originating from anywhere within the City=s corporate limits effective with the date of passage of this ordinance:

a) Advanced Life Support (AALS@) - $650.00 per patient transported plus $12.00 per loaded mile from the location of patient pick-up to the hospital;

b) Advanced Life Support II (AASL@) - $750.00 per patient transported plus $12.00 per loaded mile from the location of patient pick-up to the hospital.

c) Basic Life Support (ABLS@) - $550.00 per patient transported plus $12.00 per loaded mile from the location of patient pick-up to the hospital.

d) EMS Response Without Transportation: there will be no charge.

e) The City shall bill the patient, or the responsible party, for any emergency medical services rendered in accordance with State or Federal guidelines. The Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents and/or to implement any procedures necessary to effectuate the collection of such fees. For Emergency Medical Services rendered by the City of Avon pursuant to an existing mutual aid contract with another jurisdiction, the EMS fee, if any, for services rendered by City of Avon personnel shall follow the EMS fee policy, if any, in effect for the non-City of Avon jurisdiction. The Director/Chief of the City of Avon Fire Department may, in conjunction with the Director of Finance, make a recommendation to the Mayor no more than once per year to adjust the EMS fees in accordance with the Usual, Customary and Reasonable (UCR) fee schedule as may be established from time to time by either a State or Federal agency, or such recognized insurance trade association, as may be recognized or otherwise

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Section 3 - That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4 - That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Avon, Ohio; the immediate emergency being the necessity to adjust the EMS fees thereby increasing revenues without any decrease in the level of service; therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor

PASSED: ________________________ DATE SIGNED: ________________________

By: ____________________________
    Brian Fischer, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ________________

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    Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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    John A. Gasior, Law Director
    City of Avon, Ohio

ATTEST:

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    Barbara Brooks
    Clerk of Council

POSTED:__________________________
        In Five Places as
        Provided by Council

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