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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

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by the Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire  
Protection District on May 19, 2021.

Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District  
7550 Lyman Avenue  
Darien, Illinois 60561

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WHEREAS, 70 ILCS 705/11f, 22(d), 25 and 26, provide that the Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District may provide or operate an emergency ambulance service, provide specialized rescue services and provide technical rescue services and, within its jurisdiction, fix, charge and collect fees for these services within or outside of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District not exceeding the reasonable cost of the service, and

WHEREAS, the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District does provide and operate an emergency ambulance service which is financially supported, in part, by real estate tax revenues derived from residents and businesses within its jurisdiction; and does provide specialized rescue services; and does provide technical rescue services to residents and non-residents, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District has determined the reasonable costs of providing these emergency ambulance and related services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

#### **Section 1. Fee for Emergency Ambulance and Rescue Services.**

1. All users of emergency ambulance and related rescue services, as hereafter defined, shall pay to the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District fees for emergency ambulance and related rescue services provided within or outside of the jurisdiction of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District. These fees shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the mailing or the delivery of an invoice therefor.

2. The fees, per person, for emergency ambulance and related rescue services are as follows:

For Residents and Non-Residents

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| 1. | Response Charge (ALS Treat/Non-Transport)  | \$75.00          |
| 2. | ALS 1 Transport, ALS 2 Transport, BLS Transport  | 2,100.00         |
| 3. | Mileage Charge   | \$25.00 per mile |
| 4. | The charge for rescue crew responses is \$250.00 per hour and \$70.00 per hour per firefighter responding to a call for assistance. The extraordinary expense of materials may be charged. |                  |

3. Users of emergency ambulance and related rescue services are defined, for the purpose of this Ordinance, as non-residents or residents. Additional charges will be assessed against non-residents.

A. A non-resident is defined, for the purposes of this Ordinance, as any person who:

(i) Does not reside within the corporate limits of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District; or

(ii) Does not own any business, firm, or corporation located within the corporate limits of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District; or

(iii) Is a non-resident guest of any resident of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District; or

(iv) Is a non-resident student who is attending school in the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District; or

(v) Is another person who is not a resident of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District, as defined in this Ordinance.

B. A resident is defined, for the purpose of this Ordinance, as any person whose principal residence is within the corporate limits of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District

and any person who owns and controls a business, firm, or corporation located within the corporate limits of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District. Residents shall timely submit invoices for emergency ambulance and related rescue services from the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District to all insurance companies, self-insurers, Medicare, Medicaid, or Public Aid which provide coverage for the incident or event for which the resident received emergency ambulance and related rescue services, and shall take whatever additional steps as may be necessary or required to ensure that payment on all such invoices are made by the resident's insurance company or companies, self-insurers, Medicare, Medicaid, or Public Aid. Residents are exempt from personally paying any portion of any such invoice.

C. In the event of a hardship or special circumstance, the Fire Chief Administrator is authorized to waive, on an individual basis, fees for emergency ambulance and related services not paid by insurance, self-insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, or Public Aid.

**Section 2. Separability.**

1. It is hereby declared to the intention of the Board of Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District that the several provisions of this Ordinance are separable.

2. If any court of competent jurisdiction should adjudge any provision or part thereof of this Ordinance to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect any other provision or part thereof of this Ordinance, including other parts of the provision declared invalid which are not specifically declared to be invalid in such judgment.

**Section 3. Penalty and Enforcement.**

1. Any person, firm, or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects, refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than \$200.00 nor more than \$750.00 for each offense. Each day of non-payment of an invoice from the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District, from and after the

date when due, shall be deemed a separate violation and each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

2. In addition to the remedies and penalties provided in this Ordinance, any person, firm, or corporation who has been convicted of violating this Ordinance, or who has been the subject of an adverse finding in a civil proceeding brought pursuant to this Ordinance, shall pay to the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District its attorney's fees, costs and expenses with respect to the bringing of any such proceeding. The amount of those attorney's fees, costs and expenses shall be included in the judgment in favor of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District.

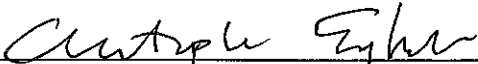
**Section 4. Repeal.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions hereof are hereby released insofar as they conflict therewith.

**Section 5. Effective Date.**

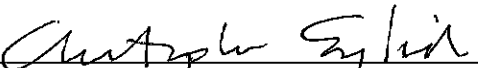
This Ordinance shall become and be effective immediately upon its passage, approval and publication in the manner prescribed by law. It is ordered that publication of this Ordinance be made by duplication thereof in pamphlet form, said pamphlets to be deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District for general distribution.

PASSED this 19th day of May, 2021.

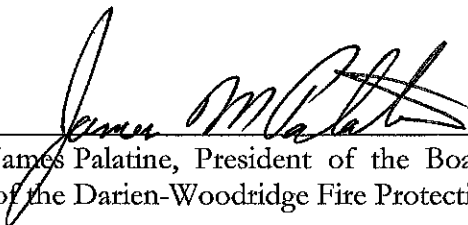
  
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Christopher English, Secretary of the Board of  
Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection  
District

AYE: Palatine, Trapp, English, Burns, Brown  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

Deposited in my office this 19th day of May, 2021.

  
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Christopher English, Secretary of the Board of  
Trustees of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection  
District

APPROVED this 19th day of May, 2021.

  
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James Palatine, President of the Board of Trustees  
of the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District