CITY OF SALISBURY

ORDINANCE NO. 2169 AS AMENDED ON AUGUST 22, 2011

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND TO AMEND CHAPTER 15.24 HOUSING STANDARDS TO REQUIRE THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES FOR THE REMOVAL OF RUBBISH BE ADJUSTED AND THAT THEY ARE TO BE SET BY A SEPARATE ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the ongoing application, administration and enforcement of the Salisbury Municipal Code, demonstrates a need for periodic review, evaluation and amendment; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.24.1350 (B) requires an administrative fee of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) be charged for a second or subsequent violation of Article XXVI; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the aforesaid \$500.00 (five hundred dollar) administrative charge was not set in correlation with the cost of rubbish removal; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Salisbury, Maryland wish to amend the Salisbury Municipal Code to establish the appropriate fees for administrative functions that correlate with the cost of the administrative functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland, that Chapter 15.24 Housing Standards, Article XXVI Accumulation of Rubbish Prohibited, of the Salisbury Municipal Code shall be amended as follows:

Article XXVI

Accumulation of Rubbish Prohibited

15.24.1350 Charges for removal and collection.

A. When the city of Salisbury has effected the removal of such rubbish by its own employees, or has paid for the removal of such rubbish by its agents or contractors, the actual costs thereof and any related expenses along with an administrative fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be charged to the owner of such property and, if not sooner paid, such charge will be carried on the records of the city of Salisbury and shall be collectible in the same manner as real estate taxes are collected.

B. When the city of Salisbury has, for the second time and any additional times at such property, effected the removal of such rubbish by its own employees or has paid for the removal of such rubbish by its agents or contractors, the actual costs thereof and any related expenses along with an administrative fee of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) shall be charged to the owner of such property and, if not sooner paid, such charge will be carried on the records of the city of Salisbury and shall be collectible in the same manner as real estate taxes are collected.

A. When the Housing Official has caused the removal of rubbish as described within Article XXVI, either by its own employees or by paying its agents or contractors to do so, the actual costs thereof and any related expenses along with an administrative fee, as set by separate ordinance, shall be charged to the owner of such property and if not paid within 30 (thirty) calendar days after billing will be carried on the records of the City of Salisbury and shall be collectible in the same manner in which real estate taxes are collected.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, that the Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of

Salisbury, Maryland, held on the 22nd day of August, 2011 and thereafter, a statement of

the substance of the ordinance having been published as required by law, in the

meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 12th day of September, 2011.

ATTEST:

Polegione 4 Brenda J. Colegrove, City Clerk

Approved by me, this $4^{\mu\nu}$

day of <u>September</u>, 2011

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James Ireton, Jr., Mayor of the City of Salisbury

Jerry E. Cohen

Terry E. Cohen, President of the Council of the City of Salisbury

Neighborhood Services & Code Compliance

Memo

To:	John R. Pick
From:	M. Thomas Stevenson
Date:	August 12, 2011
Re:	Ordinance Change – Property Maintenance Code, Article XXVI (Accumulation of Rubbish Prohibited)

Attached you will find an ordinance that will have the affect of amending Section 15.24.1350 of the Salisbury Property Maintenance Code. The proposed amendment will strike any specific reference to a dollar amount in the current statute and require that the administrative fee be set by ordinance.

Also provided is a separate ordinance which establishes the aforementioned fee schedule.

Unless you or the Mayor has further questions, please forward this memorandum to the City Council.