**ORDINANCE NO. 102**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORA SPRINGS, IOWA, 2006, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO SEWER RATES FOR SERVICES**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Nora Springs, Iowa:

**SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED.** Section 99.02 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Nora Springs, Iowa, 2006, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

 99.02 RATE. Per location there shall be and there are hereby established sewer service charges for the use of and for the service rendered by the sewer system based upon as follows:

1. Base charge of $27.00 per month.

2. For every 1,000 gallons of metered water usage per month @

$6.23.

3. Debt Service Fee Charged: $50.00 per building.

“Building” as used in this ordinance shall mean all resident homes, all commercial buildings that have water connections and shall exclude outbuildings.

The minimum service charge shall not be less than $77.00 ($27.00 Base Fee + $50.00 Debt Service Fee) per month, per building, which is necessary to retire the indebtedness for the sanitary sewer facility. This amount applies to all locations even if no one is occupying the building, however, if a building is unoccupied and the water shut off at the curb stop; only the $50.00 Debt Service Fee will be charged monthly.

Further, on each successive July 1st thereafter, the monthly billing for the base minimum charge and the consumption charge for sewer used (based off water usage) shall be increased automatically by approximately 3%. Said increase shall be automatic by ordinance unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by action of the City Council by a motion prior to said July 1st date.

**SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE**. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its

final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.