ORDINANCE NO. 2894 CITY OF SUMNER, WASHINGTON

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMNER, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SMC 5.08 UTILITIES.

WHEREAS, the City provided a tax abatement for electricity users with charges in excess of \$1,500 a month; and

WHEREAS, the City provided a tax abatement for telephone users with charges in excess of \$1,500 a month; and

WHEREAS, the City provided a tax abatement for natural gas users with charges in excess of \$1,500 a month; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to discontinue these abatements.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMNER, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment to City Code. Sumner Municipal Code Section 5.08 is hereby amended as follows:

5.08.030 Rate of tax.

A. From and after August 1, 2015, there is hereby levied upon, and there shall be collected from, every person, firm, or corporation engaged in carrying on or furnishing, for a monetary consideration, the city of Sumner and the inhabitants thereof with electricity and electrical energy for lighting, heating, power and other public purposes, within or partly within the corporate limits of the city, an annual tax for the privilege of so doing, such tax to be equal to six percent of the total gross subscriber's revenues from business and residential electrical power service in the city.; provided, that from and after June 1, 2008, the revenue derived from individual users of said service shall not be taxed in excess of the sum of \$1,500 per month, and any tax due on the revenue derived from said individual users of said service, above the sum of \$1,500 per month, is hereby abated.

B. From and after August 1, 2015, there is hereby levied upon, and there shall be collected from, every person, firm, or corporation engaged in carrying on or furnishing, for a monetary consideration, a telephone business for hire, within or partly within the corporate limits of the city, an annual tax for the privilege of so doing, such tax to be equal to six percent of the total gross operating revenues, excluding revenues from intrastate toll, derived from the operation of such business within the city of Sumner. Gross operating revenues for this purpose shall not include charges which are passed on to the subscribers by a telephone company pursuant to tariffs required by regulatory order to compensate for the cost to the company of the tax imposed by this chapter.; provided, that from and after June 1, 2008, the revenue derived from individual users of said service shall not be taxed in excess of the sum of \$1,500 per month, and any tax due on the revenue derived from said individual users of said service, above the sum of \$1,500 per month, is hereby abated.

"Telephone business" means the business of providing access to a local telephone network, local telephone network switching service, toll service, or coin telephone services, or providing telephonic video, data, or similar communication or transmission for hire, via a local telephone network, toll line or channel, or similar communication or transmission system. It includes cooperative or farmer line telephone companies, or associations operating an exchange.

"Telephone business" does not include the providing of competitive telephone services, nor the providing of cable television service.

"Competitive telephone service" means the providing by any person of telephone equipment, apparatus or service, other than toll service, which is of a type which can be provided by persons that are not subject to regulation as telephone companies under RCW Title 80 and for which a separate charge is made.

C. From and after August 1, 2015, there is hereby levied upon, and there shall be collected from, every person, firm, or corporation engaged in carrying on or furnishing, for a monetary consideration, natural gas or manufactured natural gas for lighting, heating, power and other public purposes, within or partly within the corporate limits of the city, an annual tax for the privilege of so doing, such tax to be equal to six percent of the total gross subscriber's revenues from business and residential gas service, both natural and manufactured, in the city.; provided, however, that from and after June 1, 2008, the revenue derived from individual users of said service shall not be taxed in excess of the sum of \$1,500 per month, and any tax due on the revenue derived from said individual users of said service, above the sum of \$1,500 per month, is hereby abated. (Ord. 2521 § 1, 2015; Ord. 2251 § 1, 2008: Ord. 1411 § 1 (part), 1988: Ord. 1400 § 1, 1987: Ord. 1181 § 1, 1981: Ord. 1044 § 1, 1977: Ord. 1038 § 1, 1976: Ord. 652, 1958: Ord. 588 § 3, 1955. Prior code § 4.08.030)

<u>Section 2.</u> Severability. The provisions of this ordinance are declared separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or portion of this ordinance or the invalidity of the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the ordinance or the validity of its application to other person's circumstances.

Section 3. Effective date. This ordinance shall be effective January 1, 2025.

<u>Section 4.</u> Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the city attorney, the city clerk and the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; ordinance, section, or subsection numbering; or references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations.

Passed by the City Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Sumner, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof this 16 day of September 2024.

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