



**WHEREAS**, the City of Tega Cay desires to recover its internal costs of collection by charging a fee that will be added to the delinquent debt; and

**THEREFORE**, be it enacted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Tega Cay as follows:

1. The City of Tega Cay hereby imposes an administrative fee in the amount of \$25.00 to defray its internal costs of collection for any delinquent debts that are sought to be collected pursuant to the provisions of the Setoff Debt Collection Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 12-56-10 et. seq. This fee is hereby declared to be a collection cost that arises by operation of law and shall be added to the delinquent debt and recovered from the debtor.

2. The City of Tega Cay hereby declares that the administrative fee charged by the Municipal Association of South Carolina is also a collection cost to the City/Town, which shall also be added to the delinquent debt and recovered from the debtor.

3. All Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

4. This Ordinance shall be effective on the date of final reading, provided however, that this ordinance is declared to be consistent with prior law and practice and shall not be construed to mean that any fees previously charged to debtors as costs of collection under the Act were not properly authorized or properly charged to the debtor.

**FIRST READING:**     August 17, 2009

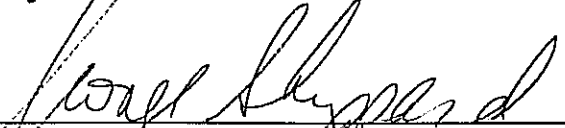
**SECOND READING:** September 9, 2009

Enacted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009, by a majority vote of the duly elected City Council of Tega Cay.

**SIGNED:**



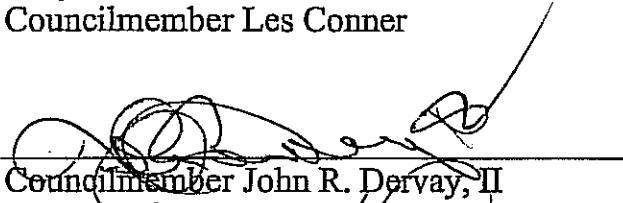
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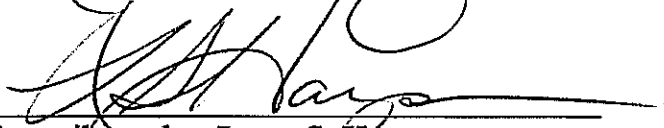
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Mayor Pro Tempore George C. Sheppard



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Councilmember Les Conner

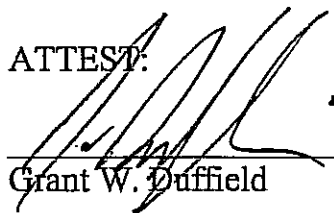


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Councilmember John R. Dervay, II



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Councilmember Larry S. Harper

**ATTEST:**



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Grant W. Duffield