

INTRODUCED BY Councilwoman Williams, Ward IV

BILL NO. 3725

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ORDINANCE NO. 3725

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FESTUS, MISSOURI; ESTABLISHING THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE (911) TAX RATE OF TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE BASIC TELEPHONE SERVICE BILL; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, RSMo. 190.300-190.320 authorizes the City of Festus, Missouri, to enter into a contract with the provider of emergency telephone service and to impose an emergency telephone tax in an amount not to exceed ten percent of the tariffed local service rate as defined in Section 190.300, in those portions of the City of Festus where such an emergency telephone service is contracted, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Festus authorized the execution of service agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for 911 telephone services on December 18, 1991, in the City of Festus, in the County of Jefferson, Missouri, and

WHEREAS, a proposal was submitted to the voters of the City of Festus, Missouri, for their approval of such service and tax in accordance with RSMo. 190.320 and a majority of the votes cast on the proposal were in favor, and

WHEREAS, beginning June 1, 1991 an emergency telephone service tax of 7.1% was established by the city council of the City of Festus following the vote of the people and has remained at that rate for 16 years, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri, has determined that for the protection and preservation of the public health the operation of an emergency telephone system is beneficial to the health and welfare of the City of Festus, Missouri.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FESTUS, MISSOURI, as follows:

SECTION I. That the proper officers of the City of Festus be and hereby are authorized to maintain an agreement for 911 emergency telephone service with AT&T Missouri, formerly Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

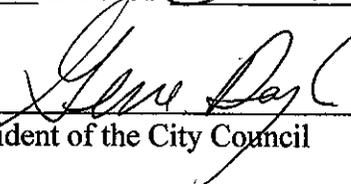
SECTION II. That an emergency telephone tax, in an amount not to exceed ten percent of the tariffed local service rate as defined by RSMo. 190.300 shall be imposed in those portions of the City of Festus in Jefferson County for which emergency 911 telephone service has been contracted pursuant to RSMo. 190.300-190.320.

SECTION III. That the collection of said tax shall commence on October 1, 2007.

SECTION IV. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

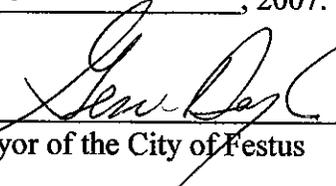
SECTION V. This Ordinance shall be and become in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage by the City Council and the approval of the Mayor.

READ TWO TIMES AND PASSED THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE, 2007.



President of the City Council

APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF JUNE, 2007.



Mayor of the City of Festus

ATTEST:



City Clerk

