



Resolution Authorizing Water Payment Plans From COVID-19

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Roy Cooper, Governor of North Carolina, issued Executive Order No. 116 which declared a State of Emergency to establish the State's response and protective actions to address the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) public health emergency and to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of residents and visitors located in North Carolina; AND

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared that the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States constitutes a national emergency, retroactive to March 1, 2020; AND

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the North Carolina Utilities Commission issued an Order Suspending Utility Disconnections for Non-Payment, Allowing Reconnection, and Waiving Certain Fees; AND

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020, Executive Order No. 124 issued by Governor Roy Cooper, prohibits shut-offs, late fees, and reconnection fees of utilities; AND

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2020 in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order No. 124, the Town of Nags Head authorized fees related to water past due accounts and reconnection fees be waived and water service will not be disconnected due to non-payment until June 2, 2020; AND

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2020, Executive Order No. 142 issued by Governor Roy Cooper, states that Executive Order No. 124 shall remain in effect until 11:59 pm on July 29, 2020 and utility service providers shall reasonably inform their customers of this extension; AND

WHEREAS, if a delinquency occurred between March 31, 2020 and July 29, 2020, the Town of Nags Head authorizes a 6-month repayment plan of 6 equal monthly installments for past due water account balances caused during the COVID-19 pandemic only; AND

WHEREAS, any water service balance that became delinquent between March 31, 2020 and July 29, 2020 must be paid in full by February 5, 2021; AND

WHEREAS, if the water service balance isn't paid according to the payment plan terms, the whole amount under the payment plan becomes due, the payment plan becomes void, and the Town of Nags Head has the right to disconnect the service and apply a late fee penalty; AND

WHEREAS, all water service account balances that become delinquent after July 29, 2020 must be paid within noted due dates or the Town of Nags Head has the right to disconnect the service and apply a late fee penalty; AND

WHEREAS, all payments received by the Town of Nags Head will be applied to the oldest outstanding balance first in accordance with existing policies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Nags Head Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes a 6-month repayment plan of 6 equal monthly installments for water balances that became delinquent between March 31, 2020 and July 29, 2020 and must be paid in full by February 5, 2021.

This the 3rd day of June 2020.

ATTEST:

Benjamin Cahoon, Mayor
Town of Nags Head

Carolyn F Morris, Town Clerk