CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALLENDALE ORDINANCE NO. 2020-8 SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

An Ordinance to amend certain provisions of the Sewer System Ordinance, Ordinance No. 2019-13, adopted by the Charter Township of Allendale, to restate the provision concerning sewer system connection fees payment terms, to provide for penalties for the violation of this Ordinance, administrative liability and to repeal of conflicting ordinances.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALLENDALE, COUNTY OF OTTAWA, STATE OF MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment of Ordinance No. 2019-13. The following provision of the Sewer System Ordinance adopted by Allendale Charter Township, Ordinance No. 2019-13, shall be restated as follows:

Section 6. Sewer System Connection Fees Payment Terms. At the time application is made to connect to the System, an election shall be made by the applicant as to whether to pay the public lateral and/or connection components of the sewer system connection fee in full, or in five (5) equal installments if the amount to be financed is \$5,500.00 dollars or less. If the amount to be financed is greater than \$5,500.00 dollars, the term will be for ten (10) equal installments. The inspection charge shall always be paid in full at the time of application.

If installment payments are selected ten percent (10%) will be required at time of application, and the first installment shall be billed on the first April 1 following the date on which application to connect to the System is made. All subsequent installments shall be billed on each April 1 thereafter. Each installment shall be paid in full no later than the following April 30.

Accrued interest on the unpaid balance shall be due and payable on each principal installment date. Interest shall commence on the first day of the month following the month in which the application to connect is received by the Township. The interest rate shall be Prime plus one percent (1%), however, the interest rate per annum for connections to all portions of the System constructed with the proceeds of the sale of bonds (the "Bonds") sold by or on behalf of the Township shall be the interest rate on the Bonds, rounded to the nearest one hundredth (100th) of one percent (1%), plus one percent (1%). If connection is made to a portion of the System not constructed with the proceeds of the sale of Bonds which is then later financed with the sale of Bonds, then the interest rate per annum shall be the interest rate on the Bonds, rounded to the nearest one hundredth (100th) of one percent (1%), plus one percent (1%).

If an election is made to pay the public lateral, and/or connection component of the connection fees in installments, the charge may be paid in full at any time with interest accrued through the month in which payment is made. Partial prepayments are also permitted but only (i) if a full principal installment(s) is prepaid and (ii) if all interest accrued on the installment(s) being prepaid through the month in which the prepayment is made is paid at the same time. All prepayments shall be applied to the installments payable in inverse order of their due date.

If any installment or any interest due is not paid in a timely manner, then a penalty shall be charged at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month or fraction of a month that any amount remains delinquent.

If the public lateral, and/or connection component of the connection fees is paid in installments, then the unpaid balance, together with any unpaid interest and penalties, shall be a lien on the Premises served.

On or before October 1 of each year the Township Treasurer shall deliver to the Township Supervisor a certified statement of all public lateral, and/or connection charges and all interest and penalties thereon then six (6) months or more past due and unpaid. The Township Supervisor shall then place such charges on the next tax roll and the same shall be collected and such lien shall be enforced in the same manner as is provided for general Township taxes.

At the time of each application to connect to the System, if any portion of the public lateral, and/or connection charges will be paid in installments, as a condition precedent to connection and the privilege to pay the public lateral, and/or connection charges in installments, the owner of the Premises served shall sign an agreement with the Township in recordable form stating the amount owed, the interest rate and other payment terms, and that the unpaid charges and all interest and penalties thereon shall constitute a lien on the Premises served.

If any installment of a public lateral, and/or connection charge or any interest or penalties thereon is not paid in a timely manner, the Township shall have the right, in addition to any other remedies available to it, to turn off the Township water service to the Premises and water service shall not be restored until all amounts then due and payable are paid in full.

Section 2. Repeal. All ordinances or parts thereof which are in conflict in whole or in part with any of the provisions of this Ordinance as of the effective date of this Ordinance, including, but without limitation, Ordinances No. 1991-7, 2005-10, 2006-26, 2018-4, and 2019-13 are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Allendale, Ottawa County, Michigan, on December 28, 2020, after introduction and a first reading on December 14, 2020, and publication after first

reading as required by Act 359 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1947, as amended. This Ordinance shall be effective on January 1, 2021.

Jody L. Hansen

Allendale Charter Township Clerk

Adam Elenbaas

Allendale Charter Township Supervisor

CERTIFICATE

Mr. David VanderWall, Mr. Kenneth Murillo, Mr. Bruce Zeinstra, Ms. Candy Kraker, Ms. Jody Hansen, and Mr. Adam Elenbaas; and the following members of the Board voting in opposition of the Ordinance: None. Notice of adoption of the Ordinance was published in the Grand Rapids Press on January 3, 2021.

Jody Hansen, Clerk