

ORDINANCE 2026- 11

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 51.01 OF THE VILLAGE OF KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, REGARDING AFTER-HOURS UTILITY SERVICE RECONNECTION FEES

WHEREAS, the Village of Kirkland, DeKalb County, Illinois, is a non-home rule municipality as contemplated by the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the passage of this Ordinance constitutes an exercise of the Village's powers and functions as granted in the Constitution of the State of Illinois and statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Village incurs additional personnel, administrative, and operational costs when utility service is reconnected outside of normal business hours following a disconnection for nonpayment; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board finds that it is necessary and appropriate to establish a reasonable service fee to recover the costs associated with after-hours utility service reconnections; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board further finds that such fee is intended solely to recover costs associated with providing the service and is not intended as a fine or penalty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Kirkland, DeKalb County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1: Amendment of Section 51.05(C).

Section 51.05(C) of the Village Code is hereby amended to read as follows (new language underlined for reference only):

"§ 51.05 **BILLS AND LIABILITY FOR PAYMENT.**

(C) If the water and/or sewer user service charges, including any penalty then due, are not paid in full by the date specified in the delinquency notice, the service shall be discontinued without further notice and shall not be reinstated until all past due bills including the penalties thereon are paid in full, together with an additional payment of \$100 for shutting off and reinstating the services.

In addition to the foregoing, whenever utility service has been disconnected due to nonpayment and the customer requests reconnection of service outside of the Village's normal business hours, the customer shall pay an after-hours reconnection service fee of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). For purposes of this subsection, 'outside of the Village's normal business hours' means any time other than 8:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Village-observed holidays.

The after-hours reconnection service fee shall be in addition to all other amounts due, including delinquent utility charges, penalties, and the shutoff and reinstatement fee otherwise required by this section. All such amounts shall be paid in full before utility service is reconnected.

The after-hours reconnection service fee established herein is intended to reimburse the Village for the costs associated with providing after-hours reconnection services and is a service fee and not a fine or penalty

SECTION 2: If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, invalidate or nullify the remainder thereof, which remainder shall remain and continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form (which publication is hereby authorized) as provided by law.

Passed this 1 day of JUNE, 2026, by a roll call vote as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Trustee John Michener	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Sarah Ziegler	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Daniel Chambers	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Jessica Fruit	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Erik Marshall	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Trustee Brian Benes	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
President Ryan Block	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

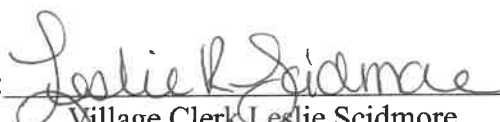
APPROVED THIS 1 DAY OF JUNE, 2026



Village President Ryan Block

(SEAL)

ATTEST:


Village Clerk Leslie Scidmore

Published: _____



CERTIFICATION

I, LESLIE SCIDMORE, do hereby certify that I am the Clerk of the Village of Kirkland, DeKalb County, Illinois, and that as Clerk, I am the keeper of the records and minutes and proceedings of the President and Board of Trustees of said Village of Kirkland.

I do further certify that at a regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Kirkland, held on the 01 day of June, 2026, the foregoing Ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 51.01 OF THE VILLAGE OF KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, REGARDING AFTER-HOURS UTILITY SERVICE RECONNECTION FEES**, was duly passed by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Kirkland.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 2026-11, including the Ordinance was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was available in the Village Hall, commencing on the 01 day of June, 2026, and continuing for at least 10 days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the Village Clerk.

I do further certify that the original, of which the attached is a true and correct copy, is entrusted to me as the Clerk of said Village for safekeeping, and that I am the lawful custodian and keeper of the same.

Given under my hand and seal of the Village of Kirkland, this 01 day of June, 2026.


Leslie Scidmore, Village Clerk
Village of Kirkland
DeKalb County, Illinois

(SEAL)

