


Legal Counsel Approval 

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IN
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK

Dated: September 4, 2007

Sponsored by Councilmember(s): Papastrat, Gerchman, Russo, Weslar, Collins, Kramer

Introduced by Committee(s) on: Finance

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO ELIMINATE THE FEES ON FOIL
REQUESTS FOR COSTS UNDER \$5.00.

WHEREAS, the City is permitted to charge for copies under the New York State Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL"); and

WHEREAS, the administrative time required to prepare receipts for requests of 20 pages or less is unproductive; and

WHEREAS, the loss of revenue would be de minimis; and

WHEREAS, the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 5 *Administration of Government* § 5-24. *Public access to records*, H. Fees. Fees for copies of records shall be in accordance with the Supplemental Charter of the City of Binghamton, Section 16, as amended" will be replaced in its entirety as follows: "§ 5-24. *Public access to records*, H. Fees. Fees for copies of records shall not exceed twenty-five cents per photocopy not in excess of nine inches by fourteen inches, or the actual cost of reproducing any other record, except there shall be no fee for twenty or less copies of pages not in excess of nine inches by fourteen inches."

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 5 *Administration of Government*, § 5-24. *Public access to records*. H. Fees. Is deleted in its entirety and is replaced as follows: "Fees for copies of records shall not exceed twenty-five cents per photocopy not in excess of nine inches by fourteen inches, or the actual cost of reproducing any other record, except there shall be no fee for twenty or less copies of pages not in excess of nine inches by fourteen inches."

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.