ORDINANCE NO. 2026-002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3 OF ORDINANCE 2001-0001, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, RELATED TO THE FEES OR LEVY FOR THE COLLECTION, HAULING AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE AND TRASH

WHEREAS, the Town of Ragland provides garbage and trash collection, hauling, and disposal services for its residents and businesses pursuant to Ordinance 2001-0001, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council periodically reviews the fees charged for such services to ensure that revenues are sufficient to cover the costs associated with providing those services; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that an adjustment to the monthly garbage collection rates is necessary to support the continued provision of garbage and trash collection services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RAGLAND, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment

SECTION 3. Fees or Levy. The following charges shall be paid to the Town of Ragland by every person, firm, business, or commercial establishment receiving garbage collection services or dumpster disposal service from the Town:

RESIDENTIAL: $22.00 per month for each residential unit. Said rate contemplates one (1) MSD-95-gallon plastic molded refuse garbage carts. Collection of each additional garbage cart shall be charged at a rate of $6.50 per month per additional receptacle. Beginning January 1, 2028, and continuing every January 1 thereafter, the monthly residential rate and additional receptacle rate shall automatically increase by three percent (3%).

COMMERCIAL: $22.00 per month for each commercial account not utilizing a commercial dumpster or commercial container.

All other commercial container rates, extra pickup charges, and provisions of Ordinance 2001-0001 not specifically amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 2. Severability

Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Repealer

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2027, following its adoption, approval, and publication as required by law. The automatic annual three percent (3%) increase to residential rates and additional receptacle rates shall commence January 1, 2028, and continue each January 1 thereafter.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 9th day of November 2026.

/s/ Brian Phillips
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Brian Phillips, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Penny Owens
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Penny Owens, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

I, Penny Owens, Town Clerk of the Town of Ragland, Alabama, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2026-002, adopted by the Town Council at its regular meeting held on 9th day of November 2026. On 10th day of November 2026, I published the Ordinance by posting a copy in three public places within the Town: Town Hall, the Ragland Post Office, and Metro Bank. On the same date I placed a copy on the Town's website. Under Section 11-45-8, Code of Alabama 1975, the Ordinance took effect five days after posting on 16 November 2026. The postings will be maintained for not less than thirty 30 days.

/s/ Penny Owens

Penny Owens, Town Clerk