

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 33, ADDING A NEW SECTION 33.49 TO THE CODE OF LOMBARD, ILLINOIS, REGARDING REIMBURSEMENT FOR LIFT-ASSIST SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE LOMBARD FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Village of Lombard Fire Department (the “Fire Department”) responds to assisted living facilities and nursing home facilities within the Village when residents require assistance being lifted or repositioned (“Lift-Assist Services”); and

WHEREAS, Public Act ____ - ____ (House Bill 2336, 104th General Assembly), to be codified as 65 ILCS 5/11-6-12, authorizes municipalities to fix, charge, and collect reasonable fees—limited to actual personnel and equipment costs—for each Lift-Assist Service after the sixth (6th) such service provided to a facility in a calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Lombard (the “Corporate Authorities”) find that establishing such a fee will allow the Village to recover a portion of its costs and is in the best interests of the Village and its residents;

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

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby adopted as the findings of the Corporate Authorities and are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2: Title 3, Chapter 33 (Fire Department) of the Code of Lombard, Illinois, is hereby amended by adding a new Section 33.49 to read in its entirety as follows:

“§ 33.49 – Lift-Assist Services; Fees.

(A) Definition. “Lift-assist service” means a response by personnel of the Village of Lombard Fire Department to an assisted living facility or nursing home facility for the sole purpose of lifting a patient or other individual from the individual’s current position to a desired position. The term does not include lifting performed during a response to a request for transportation to a health-care facility.

(B) Fee Imposed After Sixth Call. Beginning January 1, 2026, the Village shall impose a fee on a facility each time the Fire Department provides a Lift-Assist Service to that facility after the sixth (6th) Lift-Assist Service rendered to that facility during the same calendar year (January 1-December 31).

(C) Amount of Fee. The fee for each billable Lift-Assist Service shall equal the Village's actual personnel and equipment costs incurred in providing the service, as calculated annually by the Village Finance Director in consultation with the Fire Chief and approved by resolution of the Corporate Authorities.

(D) Billing and Payment. The Village shall invoice the facility within 30 days after each billable Lift-Assist Service. Invoices are due within 30 days of the invoice date and shall accrue interest at 1.5% per month if not paid when due. The Village may pursue any lawful remedy to collect unpaid fees, interest, and collection costs."

SECTION 3: If any provision of this Ordinance is found invalid or unconstitutional, that finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as required by law.

Passed on first reading this ____ day of _____, 2025.

First reading waived by action of the Board of Trustees this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Passed on second reading this ____ day of _____, 2025.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Anthony Puccio, Village President

ATTEST:

Ranya Elkhatib, Village Clerk

Published by me in pamphlet form this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Ranya Elkhatib, Village Clerk