ORDINANCE NO. 1700 AC CMS

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 913.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY OF OBERLIN AND ENACTING SECTION 909.05 OF THE CODIFIED
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OBERLIN RELATIVE TO THE FURNISHING OF
A DEPOSIT AS SECURITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY BILLS
PRIOR TO THE INITIATION OF UTILITY SERVICE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, a majority of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That Section 913.11 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oberlin, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That there is hereby enacted Section 909.05 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oberlin which shall be titled "Security Deposit for Utility Service" and which shall read as follows:

909.05 SECURITY DEPOSIT FOR UTILITY SERVICE.

- (a) The City shall require a deposit as security for the payment of utility bills from every consumer prior to the initiation of utility service, unless the consumer has a prior record of receiving utility service from the City which reflects timely payment of municipal utility charges. Payment of utility charges shall be considered timely if the total amount of indebtedness due the City is fully discharged within thirty (30) days of billing.
- (b) At the end of one year of continuous utility service the deposit shall be refunded to the consumer with interest thereon at the rate of 3% per annum, if the consumer has established and maintained a record of timely payment of utility charges as defined herein. No interest shall be paid upon a security deposit if it does not remain on deposit with the City for a period of at least six (6) consecutive months.
- (c) The deposit, plus any interest due thereon, shall be returned to the consumer upon termination of utility service if all unpaid bills or other indebtedness to the City has been paid in full. All or part of the deposit shall be forfeited against any outstanding balance or debt 30 days after termination of service. Any remaining monies shall be returned to the consumer.
 - (d) The deposit shall be as follows:

Electric service deposit \$ 25.00 Water/Sewer service deposit \$ 35.00

Total \$ 60.00

SECTION 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED:

1st Reading - May 2, 1983

2nd Reading - May 16, 1983 3rd Reading - June 6, 1983

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

POSTED: June 7, 1983