ORDINANCE NO. 2009 <u>-17</u>

AMENDING ORDINANCE 1992-4 ESTABLISHING A CHARGE FOR THE CITY OF OZARK FIRE DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO FIRE CALLS OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OZARK, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Ozark has the need to amend provisions of ordinances outlining reimbursement procedures for responses outside the City Limits by the City of Ozark Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, charges for said responses have not been updated since 1992;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OZARK, ARKANSAS, THAT:

I.

There shall be a charge of Six Hundred dollars (\$600.00) when the City of Ozark Fire Department is called as the first respondent to any fire outside the City Limits of the City of Ozark, Arkansas;

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The Six hundred Dollar (\$600.00) payment shall be made within ninety (90) days of the call;

III.

If the person, firm, partnership, corporation, or limited partnership responsible for such payment does not pay within the ninety day time period, he/it shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), plus costs of said court as assessed by state law and City Ordinance;

IV.

All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed;

V.

If any part of this Ordinance is held void or invalid, such a holding shall not affect the remainder of the Ordinance;

VI.

It being necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

Passed and approved this 14th day of September, 2009.

Vernon McDaniel, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Carol Sneath