

ORDINANCE 2008-_____
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2007-16 CONCERNING
AN ORDINANCE TO SET RENTAL FEES FOR PRIVATE USE OF PORTIONS
OF THE WILLIAMSTON MUNICIPAL CENTER (TOWN HALL)

WHEREAS, the Town of Williamston has facilities in the Town Hall which the general public desires to use from time to time for social functions and other events, and;

WHEREAS, the Town through its Mayor and Council believe that the private use of public property is appropriate provided the person or persons desiring to rent the facilities pays a reasonable rental fee for the opportunity of using portions of the Williamston Municipal Center, and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED;

1. That the rental fees and costs for the Williamston Municipal Center and/or portions thereof are as follows;

Conference Room	\$ 25.00
(may be waived-see section 4)	
Dining Room and Kitchen	\$ 50.00
Dining Room, Kitchen, & Pinkrooms	\$100.00
Pinkrooms Only	\$ 75.00
Gym Only	\$200.00
Gym Only set up fee(if desired)	\$ 50.00
The Whole Complex which includes Dining	
Room, Pinkrooms, Kitchen & Gym	\$350.00
Whole Complex set up fee(if desired)	\$ 50.00

2. A separate security deposit in an amount equal to one-half of the rental fees shall be paid by check and will be refunded if the complex is left in satisfactory condition. The security deposit is a separate fee and shall be paid in addition to any rental fees. The security deposit and the rental fees set forth above are per diem, that is for each day's rental.

3. That the Town of Williamston reserves the right to require the above referenced fees to be paid in cash or by certified funds, in its sole discretion.
4. The fees for the conference room may be waived by the Mayor if the use of the conference room is during a time when Town Hall otherwise open for public use. The fees for the conference room may also be waived by the Mayor if the conference room is used by another governmental agency, a Church or religious group, or any other non-profit group such as scouts, etc.
5. That the Town of Williamston is not in the primary business of providing facilities for anyone who may desire to use public facilities such as the Town Hall and as such, may refuse to honor any requests that it deems inappropriate based on the identity of the applicant, the anticipated purpose of use, the anticipated degree of wear and tear that the event will generate, other uses for which the facility has already been committed and the degree to which the Town Hall is used by the public for all other functions. That the Town hereby establishes private use of the Town Hall as a privilege and not a right. Use of the Town Hall on one occasion shall not give rise to any right to use the Town Hall for other or subsequent events.
6. The Town of Williamston may grant a refund to the person/group/organization should such person/group/organization cancel a reservation made under this Ordinance. If a written notice of cancellation is received by the Town thirty (30) days or more before the scheduled event, one-half of the amount paid to the City for rental fees shall be refunded. If a written notice of cancellation is received by the Town between ten (10) and twenty-nine (29) days before the scheduled event, one-quarter of the rental fees shall be refunded. If a written notice of cancellation is received less than ten (10) days before the scheduled event, no refund of rental fees shall be made.

The refund shall include, as a separate matter, any security deposits previously paid since said security deposit would have been refunded had the facility been left in a clean and presentable condition.

BE IT SO ORDERED AND ORDAINED THIS 2nd DAY OF

June, 2008

ATTESTED TO:

Michelle B. Barnes
City Clerk

Cheryl [unclear]
Mayor

Paul R. Harrell

Eric M. Scott

Marion Meddleton

Alan [unclear]

Approved as to Form:

[Signature]

First Reading May 5, 2008

Second Reading June 2, 2008

This Ordinance amends Ordinance 2007-16 so as to include Section 6 on refunds.