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**ORDINANCE 12-146**

An Ordinance assessing a collection fee in an amount not to exceed thirty percent (30%) that has been referred by the municipality to a collection agency.

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BY Louise Bradley  
DEPUTY CLERK

**WHEREAS** state law states that municipalities may not enter into contracts with collection agencies for the collection of parking violations, and may not submit this information to credit bureaus, a municipality is not prohibited from submitting other types of traffic fines to a collection agency.

The Town of Chatham, Louisiana may contract with a collection agency to collect one or more of the following items:

1. Debts and accounts receivable including, but not limited to, unpaid fees, penalties, interest, and other sums due the municipality, as applicable; or
2. Court penalties, costs, fines and fees in cases in municipal court in which the accused has failed to appear or otherwise failed to satisfy a monetary obligation ordered by the court.

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of Chatham, LA desires to assess a collection fee.

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Town of Chatham, LA assesses a collection fee in an amount not to exceed thirty (30%) when the town has entered into a contract with a collection agency for the items listed above.

The above and foregoing ordinance having been offered by Toni Malone and duly seconded by Claudine Cartwright, said ordinance having been read and was then submitted to an official vote as a whole and adopted by the following vote:

YEAS: 4  
 NAYS: 0  
 ABSENT: 1

And said ordinance was declared legally adopted on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 2015.

Herman Lenard  
Herman Lenard, Mayor

Lynette Roberts  
Lynette Roberts, Clerk

I hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original now on file in my office together, with all of the endorsements thereon, and has been duly recorded in the Conveyance Record(s) under Instrument No. 402524.  
 Witness my official signature and seal of office on this 21 day of January, 2015.  
Louise Bradley  
 Dy. Clerk of Court, Jackson Parish, Louisiana