

ORDINANCE O-2021-

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4.08.040 OF THE LONGMONT
MUNICIPAL CODE ON CITY REBATE PROGRAMS FOR INCOME-QUALIFIED
RESIDENTS AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPERATORS

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGMONT, COLORADO, ORDAINS:

Section 1

In this ordinance, ellipses indicate material not reproduced as the Council intends to leave that material in effect as it now reads.

Section 2

The Council amends the title of Chapter 4.08 of the Longmont Municipal Code, by adding italicized material, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 4.08. - CITY REBATE PROGRAMS FOR INCOME-QUALIFIED RESIDENTS *AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPERATORS*

Section 3

The Council amends section 4.08.010 of the Longmont Municipal Code, by adding italicized material and deleting stricken material, to read as follows:

4.08.010. Eligibility.

1. Any person living in the city and qualifying for heating assistance under the low income energy assistance program (LEAP) or a city approved means-tested program with an equivalent or lower income requirement shall be eligible to file for rebates under this chapter.

2. The owner or operator of a multi-tenant building, as defined in section 15.10.020, consisting of affordable rental housing, hereafter referred to in this Chapter as an affordable housing operator, shall be eligible to file for utility bill rebates under this chapter, but only for the rebates set forth in sections 4.08.040.C, D, E, F and G of this Chapter. For the purposes of this Chapter, a multi-tenant building shall be deemed to consist of affordable rental housing if all of the rents charged average as affordable at 60 percent or less of the area median income (AMI) as determined by the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA) for the applicable year. Eligibility under this section shall be based on the average rent charged for the year immediately preceding the eligibility year.

Section 4

The Council amends section 4.08.020 of the Longmont Municipal Code, by adding italicized material and deleting stricken material, to read as follows:

4.08.020. Application.

Applications for rebates for affordable housing operators shall be made annually by December 15 for the next year of eligibility. Application for rebates *for individuals* shall be made annually by ~~October~~*December* 31 of the year of eligibility. *All applications shall be* on forms to be provided by the city. *Applications for rebates from individuals* ~~and~~*shall also* be supported by:

A. A copy of the applicant's LEAP eligibility letter or similar document verifying program eligibility on the basis of the applicant's income in the year immediately preceding the eligibility year; except that applicants filing a 104-PTC

1 application with the assistance of volunteers at the senior center may instead
2 provide a notification of acceptance for 104-PTC from the previous year.

3 B. If the applicant is a homeowner, a copy of tax receipt paid during the
4 preceding year;

5 C. If the applicant is living in a rental unit, copies of rent receipts for the
6 preceding year.

7 Section 5

8 The Council amends section 4.08.040, paragraph C.2 only, of the Longmont Municipal
9 Code, by adding italicized material and deleting stricken material, to read as follows:

10 4.08.040. Amounts.

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12 2. Applicants who receive the discounted electric rate under ~~section~~ *Chapter*
13 14.32 - Rates and Regulations Governing Electric Service, as of December 31,
14 2018, will continue to receive the monthly discount and are not eligible for this
15 rebate component.

16 Section 6

17 To the extent only that they conflict with this ordinance, the Council repeals any
18 conflicting ordinances or parts of ordinances. The provisions of this ordinance are severable, and
19 invalidity of any part shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the rest of this ordinance.

20 Introduced this _____ day of _____, 2021.

21 Passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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25 MAYOR

1 ATTEST:

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5 CITY CLERK
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8 NOTICE: THE COUNCIL WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THIS ORDINANCE AT
9 7:00 P.M. ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2021, AT THE
10 LONGMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING.
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13 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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17 CITY ATTORNEY

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24 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUBSTANCE:
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28 ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

DATE

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30 CA File: 21-001307