AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING THOSE PORTIONS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY CODE SECTION 2-137 DEALING WITH FEES IN THE RADIO COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Section 1.0 Purpose of Amendment, Findings
County staff have undertaken analyses of current costs of supplying various services and compared that cost with the present amount of radio fee. Additionally, staff have reviewed projections regarding the financial issues related to radio communications. As a result, County Council finds that it is in the best interests of the county that certain fees be increased in order to more accurately reflect a portion of the actual cost of providing the services, to enhance the useful life of radio facilities and equipment, and to provide operational flexibility to the Radio Communication Department.

Section 2.0 Text Change
1. Amend the portion of Section 2-137 entitled "Radio communications department"

The fees for the users of the 800 MHz digital radio communication system will be as follows:
Per radio per month for primary use of Charleston County’s Astro-25 Digital Radio System 38.00 Beginning January 1, 2025, the radio fee shall increase annually each January 1 by $3.00 per radio per month.

Section 3.0 Effective Date
This Ordinance shall take effect upon third reading by County Council.

ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 23rd day of July 2024.

CHARLESTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

By: ____________________________
Herbert R. Sass, III
Chairman of Charleston County Council

ATTEST:

By: ____________________________
Kristen Salisbury
Clerk to Charleston County Council

First Reading: June 13, 2024
Second Reading: June 18, 2024
Third Reading: July 23, 2024