BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF HOT SPRINGS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Hot Springs, North Carolina:

Section 1: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the operation of the town government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore established for this Town:

Governing body	\$ 113,280
Planning and zoning	2,600
Finance office	148,002
Community Center	27,700
Fire Department	32,000
Debt service	35,424
Police Department	115,081
Powell Street fund	24,000
Street and Garbage collection	426,185
Welcome Center	860
Contingency	 21,923
Total Appropriations	\$ 947,055

Section 2: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the General Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024:

Current year's proper Prior year's property Motor vehicle taxes Penalties and intere Powell Bill allocation Alcohol/beverage ta Solid Waste Disposa Local Option Sales to Utility Franchise tax Permits & Fees Planning & Zoning for Application fees-live Copies Building rental Citations Community Center of Officer fees PILOT payment Police reports Appropriated fund by Miscellaneous incommunications	etaxes st n x al tax ees music rental	\$.	376,000 5,000 30,000 1,000 24,000 2,500 400 180,000 30,000 100 250 1,500 10 30,000 50 200 30 15,000 15 250,000 1,000
	Total estimated revenues	\$	947,055

Section 3: The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water and Sewer Fund for the operation of the water and sewer utilities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, in accordance with the chart of accounts heretofore approved for the Town:

Water and sewer administration	\$ 36,450
Water and sewer operations	311,980

Debt service		7,000
Contingency		<u>1,070</u>
	Total appropriations	\$ <u>356,500</u>

Section 4: It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Water and Sewer Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024:

Water usage charges	\$ 190,000
Sewer usage charges	165,000
Other revenues	<u>1,500</u>
Total estimated revenues	\$ <u>356,500</u>

Section 5: There is hereby levied a tax at the rate of forty-five cents (\$0.45) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2024, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed as "Current Year's property taxes" in the General Fund in Section 2 of this ordinance.

This rate is based on a total valuation of property for the purposes of taxation of \$84,660,474 and an estimated rate of collection of 98.85%. The estimated rate of collection is based on the estimated fiscal 2022-2023 collection rate of 98.85%.

Section 6: The Town Clerk is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations as contained herein under the following conditions:

- A. The Town Clerk shall be authorized to transfer amounts between line item expenditures within a department without limitation and without a report being required. These changes could not result in increases in recurring obligations such as salaries.
- B. The Town Clerk shall be authorized to effect inter-departmental transfers, in the same fund, not to exceed 10% of the appropriated monies for the department whose allocation is reduced, notation of all such transfers shall be made to the Board during their next regular session.

Section 7: The Town Clerk is hereby restricted from transferring appropriations as contained herein under the following conditions.

- A. The utilization of a contingency appropriation shall be accomplished only with authorization.
- B. No salary increases may be made without Board approval.
- C. No new positions/vacancies, temporary or full- time, may be filled without Board approval.
- D. No travel advances may be made without written permission of the Mayor.

Section 8: This ordinance shall be the basis of the financial plan of the Town of Hot Springs during the 2024 – 2025 fiscal year. The Mayor shall administer the budget and shall insure that the operating officials are provided guidance and sufficient details to implement their appropriate portion of the budget. The accounting section shall establish records which are in consonance with the budget and this ordinance and the appropriate statutes of the State of North Carolina.

Section 9: Copies of this budget shall be furnished to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Hot Springs and to the Town Clerk to be kept on file by them for their direction in the disbursement of funds.

Adopted this	day of June,	2024
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Abigail Norton, Mayor Town of Hot Springs	
ATTEST	(SEAL)
Nancy Thomas, Town Clerk Town of Hot Springs	-