

**ORDINANCE NO. O-2020-92**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 9, "LIBRARY," SEC. 9-1, "FEES" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, ADDING A PROVISION FOR NON-RESIDENT MINORS REGISTERED TO ATTEND SCHOOL WITHIN TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO APPLY FOR A TYLER LIBRARY CARD WITHOUT PAYING A MEMBERSHIP FEE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tyler City Code Chapter 9, Section 2, creates a Tyler Public Library Board ("Library Board") and pursuant thereto the Library Board has the power to make recommendations to the City Council and City Manager on, amongst other things, matters relating to library policies and services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Library Board has considered and recommends the implementation of below-described membership fee waiver for certain minors; and

**WHEREAS**, library fees can only be changed by City ordinance;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS:**

**PART 1:** That Tyler City Code Chapter 9, "Library," Section 9-1, "Fees," is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 9-1. Fees**

**a. Non-resident fees**

1. In the interest of equity, nonresidents of the City wishing to borrow materials from the library shall pay fees to borrow items and use the Library's computer workstations.

2. Nonresidents shall pay a membership fee that permits borrowing and computer use under the same conditions as residents.

3. The rate of charge for a membership fee shall be \$10 per person for a one month time period, \$50 per person for a six month time period or \$90 per person for a one year time period. The rate of charge for a membership fee for seniors (65 and older) and veterans shall be \$5 per person for a one month time period, \$25 per person for a six month time period or \$45 per person for a one year time period.

4. Nonresident minors, under age 18, who attend school at Tyler Independent School District may apply for a Library card without paying a membership fee, i.e. free of charge, by presenting a school identification card or proof of school enrollment. (Ord. No. 0-2013-90; 9/25/13) (Ord. No. 0-2015-91; 9/22/15) (Ord. No. 0-2019-80; 9/25/19) (Ord. No. 0-2020-92; 9/23/2020).

**b. Late Return Fees.**

1. In the interest of increasing the timely return of library materials, a late fee will be imposed for each day that an item is overdue.

2. The rate of charge per day for overdue items shall be 25 cents (\$.25) not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) per item. The rate of charge per day for overdue DVDs shall be one dollar (\$1.00) not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) per item. The rate of charge per day for overdue eReaders shall be five dollars (\$5.00) per item not to exceed (\$35.00) per item. (0-2006-79; 9-13-2006) (Ord. 0-2009-103, 9/23/09) (Ord. No. 0-2013-90; 9/25/13)

3. A processing fee of five dollars (\$5.00) will be charged for each lost or damaged item.


4. A processing fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) will be added to each delinquent patron account submitted for collection to a collection agency. (Ord. No. 0-2016-28; 3/23/16)

c. General Fees.

Test proctoring will be administered at (\$10.00) per person per test. (Ord. No. 0-2013-90; 9/25/13).

**PART 2:** That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 23rd day of September, A.D., 2020.

  
MARTIN HEINES, MAYOR  
OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

  
CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK



APPROVED:

  
DEBORAH G. FULLUM,  
CITY ATTORNEY