

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AMENDING SECTION 7.16.320, BILLING AND COLLECTION, OF THE SANTA BARBARA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW THE CITY, AT ITS OWN DISCRETION, TO JOIN DISCRETE WATER, SEWER AND/OR REFUSE ACCOUNTS WHEN THE DISCRETE ACCOUNTS CONTAIN CORRESPONDING CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDING SERVICE LOCATIONS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 7.16.320 of Chapter 7.16 of Title 7 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

7.16.320 Billing and Collection.

The City shall cause the refuse billing of all commercial and residential occupants or owners to be made on suitable forms. In cases where the same City utility customer receives multiple utility services (refuse, water, or sewer service, or any combination thereof) at the same service location, the charges for all utility services provided to the customer by the City at the particular service location shall be combined on the same bill. In such cases, the charges shall be billed upon the same bill as submitted for the charges for water service and/or sewer service and shall be due and payable bi-monthly at the same time and in the same manner that such charges for water and/or sewer service are due and payable; providing, however, separate bills are not to be prepared for residential premises which are not provided water and/or sewer service by the City. In the event of delinquency of twenty (20) days after presentation of billing for refuse service by the City to the service customer, the City may instruct the contractor to cease pickup of refuse, and may discontinue water service to the premises for which payment is delinquent. In such event, water and refuse services shall be resumed only upon payment of all arrearages for said services, plus a service resumption fee as set by a resolution of the City Council.