ORDINANCE NO. /20

AN ORDINANCE

To provide for the collection of delinquent taxes by the City Attorney and for the collection of attorney's fees from the delinquent taxpayer; and for other purposes:

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 4.11 of the Charter of the City, the City Attorney is hereby expressly empowered, on behalf of the City, to collect all delinquent taxes and other charges (including but not limited to charges for refuse removal services pursuant to Section 7 of Ordinance No. 94, as amended) owing to the City in accordance with the general laws of the State of Georgia and any ordinances of the City providing for the collection of delinquent city and/or county taxes. The power hereby conferred upon the City Attorney shall be in addition to and not restrictive of all other powers and methods of collecting delinquent taxes and charges available to the City under the general laws of the State of Georgia and any City ordinances, including but not limited to the power to assess penalties for delinquent taxes and to sell real and personal property for taxes due in the manner provided by law for sheriffs' sales for state and county taxes.

SECTION 2. In the event delinquent taxes or other charges owing to the City are referred to the City Attorney for collection, an attorney's fee equal to fifteen (15%) percent of the tax or other charge owing shall be charged to, assessed against and payable by the delinquent taxpayer. Such attorney's fee shall be added to the delinquent taxpayer's total obligation to the City and shall be included in the amount of the lien against the property and may be enforced through the sale of

the property in the same manner as provided by law for sheriffs' sales or City, State and County taxes.

SECTION 3. PART OF CODE OF ORDINANCES. It is the intention of the governing body and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and the sections of this Ordinance may be numbered to accomplish that intention.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this Ordinance be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or of any section, subsection, sentence or clause hereof not adjudged invalid.

SECTION 5. REPEALER. All other ordinances or parts thereof heretofore enacted by the City in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be effective ten (10) days after its adoption by at least three (3) members of the Council of the City after two (2) readings at least one (1) week apart.

APPROVED ON first reading on August 21, 1986

Member of City Council Lookout Mountain, Georgia

Jennife Sharllefor

Lookout Mountain, Georgia

Mayor of Lookout Mountain, Georgia

APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON second reading on August 29

1986.

Member of City Council
Lookout Mountain, Georgia

City Clerk of Lookout Mountain, Georgia