## RESOLUTION 621

## A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WRITING OFF BAD DEBT FOR PAST DUE UTILITY ACCOUNTS THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2018 FOR THE CITY OF ROSE HILL, KANSAS.

**BACKGROUND:** The City's financial policy Section III (EE) provides provisions for writing off bad debt as follows: Write-offs are allowed under the following conditions: a. Any balances owed and written off must be non-tax balances. b. Balances in arrears for a period of at least one year may be considered for write-off at year end. c. Writing off a debt does not forgive the debt obligation, but rather is an accounting procedure to aid in properly representing the City's financial position.

As explained in the 2014 audit management letter, auditors recommended that uncollectible utility accounts should be identified and written off with Council approval on an annual basis. Those accounts have been identified through fiscal year 2018 and total \$9,849.88. As a reminder, the City uses the state set-off program to try to collect unpaid utility bills, and some of this total may still eventually be paid to the City.

## ACTION: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSE HILL, KANSAS:

Section 1. The City Council approves writing off \$9,849.88 of bad utility debt through fiscal year 2018.

Passed and adopted this 21st day of January , 2020.

**ATTEST** 

Kelly Mendoza, City Clerk