

## **Chapter 11**

### **REFUNDS FOR THE ELDERLY**

#### **1-11-1: LEGISLATIVE INTENT:**

The Council of the City hereby determines and declares that considering the inherent right and power of the City to provide payments to its citizens, and considering the plight of elderly residents on fixed incomes caused by the effect of inflation and matters considered in relation thereto, that the payments provided for in this Chapter to relieve the plight of such elderly citizens are reasonable, proper and necessary. (Ord. 14, Series of 1975)

#### **1-11-2: DEFINITIONS:**

When not clearly indicated otherwise by the context, the following words and phrases as used in this Chapter shall have the following meaning:

**CITY:** The City of Littleton.

**DWELLING:** A structure, the primary purpose or use of which is residential. The term includes, but is not limited to, single-family residences, apartments, condominiums or townhouses, used as the primary residence of the applicant and not used for business purposes, together with the real property upon which the dwelling is situated. The term does not include any structure, the primary purpose or use of which is business or other commercial activity.

**OWNER:** That person of record in whom is vested ownership, dominion and title of said dwelling.

**REFUND:** Includes a portion of property taxes, sewer service charge, and/or storm drainage utility fees, levied by the City of Littleton.

**TREASURER:** The City Treasurer of the City of Littleton. (Ord. 14, Series of 1975; amd. Ord. 13, Series of 1988)

#### **1-11-3: PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR PAYMENT:**

Those persons applying for said refund shall be subject to the following requirements:

- (A) The applicant has become sixty five (65) years of age or older during the calendar year preceding the year in which said application for payment is made;
- (B) The applicant has resided in a dwelling during that entire calendar year preceding the year in which application for said refund is made, which is situated within the corporate limits of the City and is subject to ad valorem taxes levied and assessed by the City; (Ord. 14, Series of 1975)
- (C) Either the applicant is the owner of such dwelling and has paid in the manner and time provided for by statute all ad valorem taxes levied and assessed by Littleton against said dwelling which became due and owing in that year in which application for said refund is made, or the applicant is the lessee (renter) of said dwelling, and has paid rent to the lessor of said dwelling for the entire calendar year preceding the year in which application for payment is made, however, the lessee (renter) was not a beneficiary or recipient of subsidized rent during any part of the year for which the rent was paid. (Ord. 24, Series of 1982)

- (D) No more than one individual shall be eligible to receive the payment granted by this Chapter for any dwelling.  
(Ord. 14, Series of 1975)

#### 1-11-4: COMPUTATION OF PAYMENT:

The Treasurer shall compute the total payments payable to those applicants who are eligible under Section 1-11-3 of this Chapter as follows: (Ord. 14, Series of 1975)

- (A) If an applicant is the owner of a dwelling, and has paid ad valorem taxes upon said dwelling, the amount of refund shall be computed by using the following schedule:

##### ASSESSED VALUATION

From	To	Amount Of Refund
\$ 0.00	\$1,800.00	\$ 10.00
1,801.00	3,500.00	15.00
3,501.00	6,500.00	30.00
6,501.00	13,000.00	65.00
13,001.00	15,000.00	80.00
15,001.00	17,000.00	85.00
17,001.00	18,000.00	90.00
18,001.00	19,000.00	95.00
19,001.00	and above	100.00

If the dwelling for which a refund is applied for is located in or is a part of a structure containing more than one dwelling unit, the assessed valuation and consequent refund will be determined by dividing the assessed valuation of the entire structure and land by the number of dwelling units contained therein.

##### SCHEDULE OF REFUND FOR ELDERLY LESSEES/RENTERS

###### Total Rent Paid Annually

From	To	Amount Of Refund
\$ 0.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$10.00
2,001.00	3,000.00	15.00
3,001.00	4,000.00	20.00
4,001.00	5,000.00	25.00
5,001.00	and above	30.00

(Ord. 13, Series of 1988)

**1-11-5: ADMINISTRATION BY CITY TREASURER:**

The administration of this Chapter is hereby vested in the Treasurer who shall prescribe application forms and make reasonable rules and regulations in conformity with this Chapter for its proper administration. (Ord. 14, Series of 1975)

**1-11-6: PAYMENTS TO ELDERLY PERSONS:**

The Treasurer, after examination of applications filed for refunds under this Chapter, shall determine the eligibility of the applicant and the amount of refund, if any, to which the applicant is entitled and remit the same to applicant. Such refunds shall be paid as follows: ninety percent (90%) from General Fund, five percent (5%) Sewer Fund, and five percent (5%) Storm Drainage Fund and shall be appropriated as part of the annual City budget. (Ord. 13, Series of 1988)