

ORDINANCE NO. 20-M-24

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCHERTZ, TEXAS AMENDING THE CITY OF SCHERTZ CODE OF ORDINANCES AND CERTAIN OTHER ORDINANCES BY AMENDING AND ESTABLISHING FEES FOR CERTAIN LICENSES, PERMITS, AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF SCHERTZ.

WHEREAS, the City of Schertz (the “City”) has established by ordinances and resolutions for fees for licenses, permits, and services provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has authorized a review and a consolidation of certain fees for licenses, permits, and services provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Schedule of Fees attached as Exhibit A reflects revisions to certain fees, a restatement of certain fees not revised, and a consolidation of all such fees; and

WHEREAS, due to the need for periodic modification of said fees and for the purposes of efficiency, the City Council desires to adopt future fee changes by resolution rather than by ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCHERTZ, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1.

All persons, firms, or corporations applying for licenses or permits or receiving other City services described on Exhibit A that require the payment of a fee incident to such application or service shall pay the fees as prescribed in the Fee Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part of hereof. It shall be a violation of this Ordinance to conduct any activity or commence any use or receive any service for which payment of a fee described herein is required until such fee has been paid (if required to be paid in advance) or to fail to pay such fee when properly billed.

SECTION 2.

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Schertz, Texas as to the fees set forth on Exhibit A effect on the effective date of this Ordinance, except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such Code, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such Code are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3.

The City Council may, from time to time, by ordinance add to the fees set forth on Exhibit A, and the fees now or hereafter set forth on Exhibit A may be modified from time to time by resolution of the City Council.

SECTION 4.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

SECTION 5.

Subject to the last sentence of this Section, any person, firm, or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects, or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense. If any other ordinance, including the Code of Ordinances, establishes a different penalty for the failure to pay any fee on Exhibit A, the provisions of such other ordinance or the Code of Ordinances shall control with respect to such penalty.

SECTION 6.

All rights and remedies of the City are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of the Code of Ordinances in effect on the effective date of this Ordinance and modified by this Ordinance or any other ordinances in effect on the effective date of this Ordinance and modified by this Ordinance and requiring the payment of fees for licenses, permits, and other services provided by the City which have accrued on the effective date of this Ordinance; and any and all accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

SECTION 7.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its final passage and any publication required by law.

Passed and approved on the first reading this 28th day of July 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON FINAL READING this 4th day of August 2020.

Mayor, City of Schertz

ATTEST:

City Secretary, City of Schertz, Texas