



Ordinance Amendment: Chapter 10, Buildings and Building Regulations

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BACKGROUND

- Texas House Bill (HB) 871, which took effect on September 1, 2021, prohibits municipalities from charging a registration fee to state-licensed air conditioning and refrigeration contractors for work performed in the municipality or for providing notice to the municipality that the contractors have obtained a state license.
- Texas Occupations Code Section 1302.304 contains the language from HB 871.
- The City has been compliant with state law, and this action updates the text within the Code of Ordinances.

PURPOSE

➤ This ordinance amends Subsection (b)(3), “Mechanical Contractors,” of Section 10-104, “Contractor Registration Procedures,” of Division 4, “Electrical Licensing and Contractor Registration,” of Article II, “Administration,” of Chapter 10, “Buildings and Building Regulations,” of the Code of Ordinances, to read as follows:

“(3) Mechanical contractors. There are no licensing requirements for air conditioning and refrigeration contractors. To be eligible for registration, a mechanical contractor shall not be simultaneously employed by, or providing services for, any other business entity for the purpose of obtaining permits from the city.”

PURPOSE

➤ Additionally, this ordinance amends Subsection (g), “Fees,” of Section 10-104, “Contractor Registration Procedures,” of Division 4, “Electrical Licensing and Contractor Registration,” of Article II, “Administration,” of Chapter 10, “Buildings and Building Regulations,” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Burleson by adding Subsection (4) to read as follows:

“(g) Fees. There shall be no fee for the registration required by this section. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as to prohibit the city from collecting any building permit fee.”

Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends approval of the ordinance amendment.