

CITY OF JOSHUA, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOSHUA, TEXAS, AMENDING ARTICLE 1.07, "PARKS AND RECREATION," OF CHAPTER 1, "GENERAL PROVISIONS," OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JOSHUA, TEXAS, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 1.07.0015, "FEES", AND AMENDING SUBSECTION (i), "FISHING," OF SECTION 1.07.009, "ANIMAL REGULATIONS," TO ADDRESS CITY-SPONSORED AND CO-SPONSORED FISHING EVENTS IN CITY PARKS; AMENDING ARTICLE A6.000, "PARK PAVILION RENTAL," OF APPENDIX A, "FEE SCHEDULE," OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JOSHUA, TEXAS, BY RENAMING SAID ARTICLE "PARK PAVILION AND PARK USE FEES," AND ADDING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR PARK PAVILION AND PARK USES; MAKING FINDINGS RELATIVE THERETO; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to amend certain provisions in its park regulations to address fishing events and park use fees in the City's Code of Ordinances to address current park usage issues; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the amendments referenced in the text of this Ordinance will promote the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City.

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

SECTION 1

All of the above premises are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2

From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, Article 1.07, "Parks and Recreation," of Chapter 1, "General Provisions," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joshua, Texas, is hereby amended by adding a new Section 1.07.0015, "Fees", to read as follows:

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§ 1.07.0015. Fees.

The City may charge fees for park pavilion and park and field usage, as referenced in the

Appendix to this Code of Ordinances.

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SECTION 3

From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, Subsection (i), "Fishing," of Section 1.07.009, "Animal Regulations," of Article 1.07, "Parks and Recreation," of Chapter 1, "General Provisions," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joshua, Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§ 1.07.009. Animal Regulations.

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- (i) Fishing. Fishing shall be limited to catch and release. Any person fishing must obtain a fishing license from the state's parks and wildlife department. The foregoing provisions do not apply to any City-sponsored or co-sponsored fishing events or tournaments.

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SECTION 4

From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, Article A6.000, "Park Pavilion Fees," of Appendix A, "Fee Schedule," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joshua, Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"ARTICLE A6.000 PARK PAVILION AND PARK USE FEES

§ A6.001. Park Pavilion Rental.

- (a) Deposit:
 - (1) Resident: None.
 - (2) Nonresident: \$25.00.
- (b) Pavilion Rental:
 - (1) Resident: \$15.00 for 3 hours + \$5.00 for each additional hour.
 - (2) Nonresident: \$30.00 for 3 hours + \$10.00 for each additional hour

§ A6.002. Joshua Youth Sports Association Field Use Fees.

- (a) Player fees per person: \$20.00 each per sport/season.
- (b) Camps/Tournament Use: \$80.00 per field per day.
- (c) Lights for Tournament Use: \$20.00 per hour.
- (d) Trash Can Empty Fee: \$25.00 for each can.
- (e) Litter Fee: \$75.00 per hour to clean up.

§ A6.003. Public Use Fees.

- (a) Hourly Rental Rate: \$25.00 per hour.
- (b) Tournament Use: \$300.00 per field per day (game-ready fields, drug and marked).
- (c) Light Use: \$20.00 per hour.
- (d) Additional Dragging: \$200.00 each occurrence.
- (e) Additional marking: \$50.00 each occurrence.
- (f) Camps and Clinics: \$200.00 per day

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SECTION 5

If any word, section, article, phrase, paragraph, sentence, clause, or portion of this Ordinance or application thereto to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance; and the City Council hereby declares it would have passed such remaining portions of this Ordinance despite such invalidity which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6

All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict; but such repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution for violation of the repealed ordinance, nor shall the repeal prevent a prosecution from being commenced for any violation if occurring prior to the repeal of the ordinance. Any remaining portion of conflicting ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

SECTION 8

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication, as provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOSHUA, TEXAS, THIS THE 20TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

Scott Kimble, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice Holloway, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Terrence S. Welch, City Attorney