

**ORDINANCE NO. 606**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANOR, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMIT FEES; MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN RELATED MATTERS.**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Texas and the City of Manor, Texas experienced unprecedented severe weather conditions resulting in freezing temperatures, power and water outages that persisted for several days; and

**WHEREAS**, both the State of Texas and the City of Manor (“City”) issued Declarations of Disaster due to the severe winter weather; and

**WHEREAS**, a Federal Emergency Declaration was also issued for the State of Texas due to the severe winter weather; and

**WHEREAS**, the severe weather, power and water outages are having a detrimental impact on residential properties and households; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s Code of Ordinances, Appendix A – Fee Schedule, Article A2.000 – Building and Development Related Fees, Section A2.001 – Basic building permit, inspection and technology fee charges (the “Fee Schedule”) provides specific fees that are charged for various building permits; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the detrimental impact the severe weather is having on the residents of the City, the City Council of the City of Manor, Texas (the “City Council”) has determined that authorizing the temporary suspension of the collection of certain residential building permit fees provides economic assistance to the residents of the City and promotes the health and safety of the residents of the City.

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

**Section 1. Findings.** The foregoing recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein as findings of fact.

**Section 2. Authorization of the Temporary Suspension of Certain Building Permit Fees.** The City Council hereby authorizes and suspends the following Residential Building Permit Fees, Inspection Rates and Technology Fees as provided in the City’s Fee Schedule of the City’s Code of Ordinances until April 30, 2021: Remodel/repair; Plumbing; Electrical and Mechanical.

**Section 3. Repealing all Conflicting Ordinances.** All ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance as adopted herein are hereby amended to the extent of such conflict. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this Ordinance and any other code or ordinance of the City of Manor, the terms and provisions of this Ordinance shall control.

**Section 4. Savings Clause.** This City Council of the City of Manor, Texas does hereby declare that if any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, work or portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid, or unconstitutional, by a court of competent jurisdiction, that, in such event that it would have passed and ordained any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance without the inclusion of that portion or portions which may be so found to be unconstitutional or invalid, and declares that its intent is to make no portion of this Ordinance dependent upon the validity of any portion thereof, and that all said remaining portions shall continue in full force and effect.

**Section 5. Severability.** If any provision of this Ordinance or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**Section 6. Open Meetings.** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was considered was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Local Government Code.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2021.

THE CITY OF MANOR, TEXAS

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Dr. Larry Wallace Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lluvia T. Almaraz, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Veronica Rivera, Assistant City Attorney