

ORDINANCE No. 2024-09

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, TEXAS,
AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO FEES; PROVIDING A
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING CLAUSE; PENALTY CLAUSE AND EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City has fees in and amongst various sections of its Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City desires for all such fees to be in one centralized document, apart from the body of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Texas has determined that a “fee schedule”, attached as Exhibit A shall be maintained.

NOW THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

Section 1. AMENDMENTS

The findings set forth below are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance. The fees adopted, from time to time shall be reflected in the fee schedule, as approved by the City Council. The Schedule of Fees, as set forth in Chapter 20, Appendix C; for the City of Mount Vernon is hereby removed from the Code of Ordinances. The Fee Schedule shall not be codified, but rather maintained and kept by the Office of the City Secretary.

All sections of the Code of Ordinances shall have all fees removed and placed into the aforementioned fee schedule. The following sentence is to take their place: The corresponding fee can be found in the City’s Fee Schedule which is kept on file with the City Secretary.

Sections include, but are not limited to:

-CHAPTER 2 – ADMINISTRATION:

ARTICLE II. – CITY GOVERNMENT, SECTION 2-30 (b) (1)

-CHAPTER 3 – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:

SECTION 3-8

-CHAPTER 4 – ANIMALS:

ARTICLE III - IMPOUNDMENT – SECTION 4-30

ARTICLE IV – RABIES – SECTION 4-37.1.

-CHAPTER 5 – BUILDINGS, CONSTRUCTION & RELATED ACTIVITIES:

ARTICLE I – IN GENERAL – SECTIONS 5-8, 5-9

ARTICLE II – ELECTRICAL – SECTIONS 5-22, 5-30

ARTICLE IV – GAS – SECTION 5-61

ARTICLE VI – PLUMBING – SECTIONS 5-80, 5-84, 5-86

ARTICLE XI – EXTERIOR CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS & STANDARDS ON CERTAIN ROADS & THOROUGHFARES – SECTION 5-146

ARTICLE XII - MULTI FAMILY UNITS & APARTMENT BUILDINGS – SECTION 5-153 (C)

ARTICLE XIII – RENTAL PROPRITIES, ABANDONED, FORECLOSED & OR HUD HOMES & APARTMENT BUILDINGS – SECTION 5-163 (C)

-CHAPTER 8 – FINANCE & TAXATION:

ARTICLE III. HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX – SECTION 8-46

-CHAPTER 9 – FIRE PROTECTION & PREVENTION:

ARTICLE II. FIRE MARSHAL – SECTION 9-33

-CHAPTER 10 – HEALTH & SANITATION:

- ARTICLE III – FOOD & FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS – SECTION 10-58 – FEES
- CHAPTER 11 – MOBILE HOMES & MOBILE HOME PARKS:
 - SECTION II-8 – PUBLIC HEARING FEE
- CHAPTER 12 - MUNICIPAL UTILITIES & SERVICES:
 - ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL – SECTIONS 12-3 (b), 12-5
 - ARTICLE II. WATER SERVICE – SECTION 12-21, 12-22, 12-23
 - ARTICLE III. SEWER SERVICE – SECTIONS 12-47, 12-49, 12-50, & 12-51
 - ARTICLE V. STORMWATER/DRAINAGE FEE – SECTIONS: 12-121, 12-123, 12-124
- CHAPTER 13 - OFFENSES & MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:
 - ARTICLE III. ADULT ENTERTAINMENTS – SECTION 13.63 – (b) (1), SECTION 13.65
- CHAPTER 15 – PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS, ITINERANT VENDORS & PAWNBROKERS:
 - ARTICLE II – PERMIT – SECTION 15-38 – FEES
- CHAPTER 17.5 – SIGNS:
 - ARTICLE II – SIGN CODE – SECTIONS – 17.5-24, 17.5-25
- CHAPTER 18 – STREETS, SIDEWALKS & OTHER PUBLIC WAYS:
 - ARTICLE II. RIGHT OF WAY – SECTION 18-28 (c)
- CHAPTER 19 – TRAFFIC & VEHICLES:
 - ARTICLE VI. STOPPING, STANDING & PARKING – SECTION 19-142
 - ARTICLE VIII. TAXICABS - SECTION 19-230
 - ARTICLE IX. GOLF CARTS – SECTION 19-245
- CHAPTER 20 – TREE PRESERVATION:
 - ARTICLE III. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF UNDEVELOPED LANDS – SECTION 20-56
- APPENDIX B – SUBDIVISIONS:
 - ARTICLE II. PROCEDURE – SECTION 2-3 (C), (F)

Section 2. ADDENDUM:

All items affected by this amendment shall be renumbered accordingly, to accommodate additions or deletions listed above.

Section 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE:

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 of this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Section 4. REPEALING CLAUSE:

Any provision of any prior ordinance of the City whether codified or uncodified, which are in conflict with any provisions of the Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict, but all other provisions of the ordinances of the City whether codified or uncodified, which are not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5: EFFECTIVE DATE:

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 12th day of November, 2024

Brad Hyman, Mayor

Attest:

Kathy Lovier, City Secretary