ORDINANCE NO. 2024.8.1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE A4.000, BUILDING RELATED FEES, OF APPENDIX A OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FLATONIA, TEXAS, AS AMENDED BY INCREASING CERTAIN CURRENT FEES, ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL FEES AND REQUIREMENTS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO COLLECT SAME, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Flatonia, Texas, has had its attention directed to the fact that the current fee schedule for building permits and fees and building-related fees does not adequately cover the costs associated with the city's obligations in relation to inspections performed by City personnel; and

WHEREAS the City Council has further been made aware that a need exists for requiring that all contractors operating with the City of Flatonia should be licensed by the City in order to do business in the City of Flatonia and that such licensing is for the good order and benefit of the citizens of Flatonia, Texas;

WHEREAS the City Manager has studied the work performed by City personnel in connection with construction licensing and inspections to establish a cost value and has surveyed surrounding cities of similar size as Flatonia to determine the appropriate fee schedules to implement.

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

Section 1. Section A4.001 of Article A4.000 of Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Flatonia, Texas, is hereby amended to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. A4.001 Contractor Registration

Unless stated otherwise elsewhere in this code, all contractors engaging in construction-type activities for which this Code requires a permit or inspection must register with the City. Registrations shall expire two (2) years from the date of registration.

Section 2. Section A4.004 of Article A4.000 of Appendix A, Code of Ordinances of the City of Flatonia, Texas, is hereby amended to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. A4.004 Permit for moving building or structure

Any person desiring to move or relocate any building or structure within the corporate limits shall pay a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to help defray the cost of processing the permit application. An additional fee of the greater of ninety dollars (\$90) or actual cost as billed by a subcontractor for the work performed shall be assessed for the temporary relocation of utilities per occurrence that results from the move.

Section 3. Section A4.005 of Article A4.000 of Appendix A, Code of Ordinances of the City of Flatonia, Texas, is hereby amended to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. A4.005 Escort fee for moving building or structure

The fee for a police escort to move any building within the city is one hundred and ten dollars (\$110.00), payable when the permit is issued (2001 Code, app. A, sec. 4.400).

Section 4. Section A4.006 of Article A4.000 of Appendix A, Code of Ordinances of the City of Flatonia, Texas, is hereby amended to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. A4.006 Residential building permits and inspection fees

- (a) Building Permit Fees
 - (1) New construction: \$0.10 per square foot up to 1500 square feet; \$.030 per square foot thereafter.
 - (2) <u>Remodel construction:</u> \$110.00 per trade (i.e. electric, plumbing, mechanical, and building.
 - (3) New addition in conjunction with remodel construction: \$110.00 per trade (i.e. electric, plumbing, mechanical, and building.
 - (4) Re-roof \$110.00
 - (5) Residential Accessory Building Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%
 - (6) Inground Pool and Spas Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

(7)	Pool above ground with electric	\$100.00 per trade involved
(8)	Pool above ground 48 Inches tall or higher	\$25.00
(9)	Decks	Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%
(10)	Culverts	\$110.00 and supply culvert.
(11)	Demo without Utilities	\$25.00
(12)	Demo with Utilities	\$50.00
(13)	Irrigation System	\$110.00
(14)	Mobile Home Placement	\$490.00
(15)	Foundation	Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%
(16)	Remodel & Additions	\$110.00
(17)	Sign with electric	\$110.00
(18)	Sign without Electric	\$0
(19)	Slab	Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Minimum Fee: The minimum fee for a building permit is \$25.00.

Replacement Fee: The permit replacement fee shall be \$10 per permit.

<u>Commencing work without a permit:</u> If any work commences before a permit is applied for, approved, and issued, all fees will be doubled.

<u>Re-submittal fee:</u> Re-submittal fee shall be 25% of the corresponding original building permit fee.

(b) Commercial Inspection Fees

Concrete Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Construction Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Deck Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Demo with or without utilities \$50.00

Electrical Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Foundation Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Irrigation Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Leveling Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Mechanical HAVC Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Plumbing Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Remodel Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Roofing Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Sidewalk Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Sign w/electric Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Slab Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

Pool Cost of Bureau Veritas plus 15%

(c) Inspection Fees

(1) <u>New construction:</u> One Pre-Slab, one Pre-Drywall, and the Final inspections for building, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, and gas permits are included in the new

Ordinance No. 2024.8.1 Adopted August 13, 2024 construction building permit fee. Any additional inspection of any type for any phase herein set forth shall be \$40.00 per additional inspection.

(2) <u>All other construction requiring permits:</u> The fees set out in the chart below shall apply to all other inspections:

Electrical	\$110.00
Plumbing	\$110.00
Mechanical	\$110.00
HVAC	\$110.00
Gas	\$110.00

- (3) If any work fails an inspection, an additional inspection will be required. There is no additional inspection fee.
- (4) All inspections must be scheduled at least two working days before the day they are needed.

Section 5. Article A4.000, Building Related Fees, <u>Code of Ordinances, City of Flatonia, Texas</u>, shall, except as amended herein, remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. Any articles, sections, or subsections of the <u>Code of Ordinances</u>, <u>City of Flatonia</u>, <u>Texas</u>, inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby expressly repealed.

Section 7. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void, or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions or sets of circumstances shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this Ordinance that no portion thereof or provisions or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail because of unconstitutionality and all provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be reasonable.

Section 8. This ordinance shall be effective upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 13TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024.

SIGNED

Travis Seale Mayor

ATTEST

Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary

Approved as to form:

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Barbara Boulware-Wells

City Attorney