

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EAGLE PASS, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 21-2, AND ADDING SECTION 21-4 PERMIT FEES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY UPDATING THE PERMIT AND INSPECTION FEES FOR PLUMBING INSPECTIONS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, certain types of plumbing installation and repairs require plan review and inspection to protect the safety and welfare of the community and the City of Eagle Pass has established fees to offset costs associated with those efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Eagle Pass last updated fees for plumbing permits in 2022, establishing the rates for plumbing permits and adding a provision for fees when utilizing a contracted plumbing inspector; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the following amendments to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Eagle Pass reasonable and beneficial for the public health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Eagle Pass and a proper exercise of its police power.

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

Section 1. The City of Eagle Pass Code of Ordinances, Chapter 21, Article 1, Section 21-2 is hereby amended as follows:

~~[Section 106.6.2 Fee Schedule]~~ is repealing in its entirety to read as follows: **Plumbing**

The fees for all plumbing work shall be as indicated in the following schedule:

a. Plumbing inspection fee:

Residential: ~~\$50.00~~ per required inspection

Commercial: ~~\$70.00~~ per required inspection

Additional requested inspections: ~~[\$25.00]~~ each **\$30**

b. Re-inspection fee, for each re-inspection:

1st Re-inspection	[\$25] \$30
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2nd Re-inspection	\$50
3rd Re-inspection and over	\$75

e. ~~If the city contracts the services of a licensed plumbing inspector, the department may set an inspection fee in an amount that is reasonably related to the expense incurred by the municipality.~~

Any and all fees shall be paid by the person to whom the permit is issued.]

Section 2. The City of Eagle Pass Code of Ordinances, Chapter 21, Article 1, Section 21-4 is hereby created as follows:

Sec. 21-4.- Permit Fees.

a. Definitions.

Residential- One and two-family dwelling units.

Commercial-Includes dwelling units of three or more and industrial.

Additional inspections- A single plumbing inspection is expected for each phase. If the licensed plumber requests to break up a phase (i.e. Top Out) in to more than one inspection, an additional inspection fee will be incurred.

Re-inspection- A subsequent inspection required to verify that repairs or modifications have been completed to meet compliance, as a result of a failed inspection.

Plumbing inspector- a person who is contracted by the City of Eagle Pass, either through contract or as an employee, to inspect plumbing in connection with the provisions of this chapter, (b) has satisfied the examination requirement set forth in Texas Occupations Code Chapter 1301, and (c) has fulfilled the other requirements of the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners. If the services of a plumbing inspector are not available from the City, then the applicant for a plumbing permit shall engage the services of a plumbing inspector licensed in accordance with the provisions of Texas Occupations Code Chapter 1301 to perform the inspection and provide written results to the city as to the inspection.

b. Fees.

<u>Plumbing Inspection Fees</u>	<u>Fee for each required inspection</u>
<u>Residential</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
<u>Commercial</u>	<u>\$70.00</u>
<u>Additional requested inspections</u>	<u>\$30.00 each</u>
<u>Re-Inspection Fees</u>	<u>Fee for each inspection</u>
<u>First re-Inspection</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>

<u>Second re-inspection</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
<u>Third re-inspection and over</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>

c. Contracted Inspector. *If the city contracts the services of a licensed plumbing inspector, the department may set an inspection fee in an amount that is reasonably related to the expense incurred by the municipality.*

Section 3. This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Eagle Pass, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

Section 4. 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 in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Section 5. The City Secretary of the City of Eagle Pass is hereby directed to publish the proposed Ordinance as required by Section 2-5 of the Charter of the City of Eagle Pass.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication.

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING, on this 4th Day of March, A.D., 2025.

ATTEST:

 Rolando Salinas
 Mayor

 Erika Rodriguez
 City Secretary

AYES: Salinas, Cruz, Diaz, Garcia, and Davis
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAINED: None
 ABSENT: None

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED ON SECOND READING, this 1st Day of April A.D., 2025.

ATTEST:

Rolando Salinas
Mayor

Erika. Rodriguez
City Secretary

AYES: Salinas, Cruz, Diaz, Garcia, and Davis
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED ON THIRD AND FINAL READING this 6th Day of May A.D., 2025.

ATTEST:

Rolando Salinas
Mayor

Erika Rodriguez
City Secretary

AYES: Salinas, Cruz, Diaz, Garcia, and Davis
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Ana Sophia Garcia
City Attorney

