

ORDINANCE NO. 4497

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS, CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER AND ORDERS RELATED THERETO ISSUED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS, ON MAY 29, 2024; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on the 28th day of May 2024, a severe weather event occurred in the City of Richardson resulting in widespread property damage that required and continues to require emergency action; and,

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2024, Bob Dubey, Mayor of the City of Richardson, Texas, declared a State of Disaster for the City of Richardson; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richardson is working with Dallas and Collin Counties as well as other mutual aid entities to obtain the necessary resources to affect the response when possible and will work with Dallas County to request and obtain State of Texas resources if necessary, and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that based on the assessment of the property damage caused by the severe weather event that it is necessary to renew and continue the State of Disaster declared on May 29, 2024, by the Mayor of the City of Richardson, Texas, and the any orders related thereto; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council, in accordance with the authority vested in the governing body of the City of Richardson, Texas, by Texas Government Code Section 418.108, hereby renews and continues the Declaration of Disaster of May 29, 2024, which shall continue until terminated by action of the City Council.

SECTION 2. That pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108(d), the City of Richardson Emergency Management Plan shall remain active through the duration of this disaster declaration. The City's critical infrastructure, which includes, but is not limited to, communications, emergency services, energy, transportation systems, and water and wastewater systems shall continue operating.

SECTION 3. That while this Declaration is in effect the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager, or designee to waive the imposition and collection of any delinquency fee or penalty associated with any permit or approval required under any City Ordinance or Resolution but not including: (i) the fees for water, wastewater, trash collection, property taxes, penalties and interest for property taxes; (ii) fees or penalties required to be collected and/or imposed by the State of Texas or other governmental authority having jurisdiction to impose and/or collect such fee or penalty; (iii) and fees or charges required to be imposed and/or collected by and/or paid to a third-party under a contract with the City.

SECTION 4. That pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this Ordinance shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

SECTION 5. That should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this Ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision thereof other than the part so decided to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid.

SECTION 6. That all provisions of the ordinances of the City of Richardson in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions of the ordinances of the City of Richardson not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this Ordinance, the Disaster Declaration, any orders issued by the Mayor and/or the City Council pursuant to the Disaster Declaration, Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances or Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not to exceed

the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each offense; and each and every day such violation shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

SECTION . That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage as the law and charter in such case provide.

DULY PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richardson, Texas, on this the 3rd day of June 2024.



CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS

R.A. Dubey

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Peter G. Smith
PETER G. SMITH, CITY ATTORNEY