

ORDINANCE NO. 821

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HEDWIG VILLAGE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 34, FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, ARTICLE II, FIRE CODE AND STANDARDS, DIVISION 2, FIRE CODE, SECTION 34-36, THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, AND SECTION 34-37, AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, OF THE CITY OF HEDWIG VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING FIRE CODE OF THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hedwig Village, Texas has previously adopted the International Fire Code, 2003 Edition as the Fire Code for the City; and

WHEREAS, the International Code Council, Inc. publishes and periodically updates the International Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hedwig Village, Texas desires to update the Fire Code of the City to the International Fire Code, 2021 Edition.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HEDWIG VILLAGE, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. *Chapter 34, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article II, Fire Code and Standards, Division 2, Fire Code, Section 34-36, The International Fire Code and Section 34-37, Amendments to International Fire Code, of the Hedwig Village Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as set out in Appendix A, attached hereto. All other portions of Chapter 34 of the City's Code of Ordinances not specifically amended hereby remain in full force and effect.*

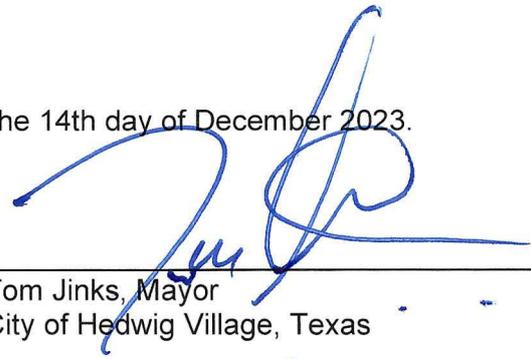
Section 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of the conflict only.

Section 3. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section or other part of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall ever be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, neither the remainder of this Ordinance, nor the application of such word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section or other part of this Ordinance to any other persons or circumstances, shall be affected thereby.

Section 4. The City Council officially finds, determines and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of each meeting at which this Ordinance was discussed, considered or acted upon was given in the manner required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, as amended, and that each such meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during such discussion, consideration and action. The City Council ratifies, approves and confirms such notices and the contents and posting thereof.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption and the City Secretary is hereby authorized to publish notice of its adoption as required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this, the 14th day of December 2023.



Tom Jinks, Mayor
City of Hedwig Village, Texas

ATTEST:



Lisa Modisette, City Secretary
City of Hedwig Village, Texas

Appendix A

Chapter 34. FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

ARTICLE II. FIRE CODE AND STANDARDS

DIVISION 2. FIRE CODE

Sec. 34-46. The International Fire Code.

The International Fire Code, 2021 Edition, with appendices "A" through "N", as published by the International Code Council, Inc., and as amended herein, is hereby adopted and made a part of this chapter. A copy of said code is attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes, an authentic copy of which has been filed with the city secretary.

Sec. 34-47. Amendments to the International Fire Code.

- (a) Section 307.1 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

307.1 General. Open burning of rubbish, combustible vegetation, and other waste is prohibited.

- (b) Section 903.2 of said Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

903.2 Where required. An automatic sprinkler system shall be installed in all new buildings and structures containing an enclosed area of 1,000 square feet or more and built for or to be utilized as one of the occupancy classifications defined by the International Fire Code. Provided however, automatic sprinkler installation shall not be required for additions to existing structures, to structures being renovated or remodeled, or to structures being restored as a result of damage or destruction, unless the square footage of the addition, renovation or remodeling, or restoration equals or exceeds fifty (50) percent of the livable square footage of the structure subject to such construction.

- (c) Sections 903.2.1 through 903.2.12.2 of the International Fire Code are hereby deleted.

- (d) Sections 903.3.1 through 903.3.1.3 of the International Fire Code are hereby deleted.

- (e) Section 903.4.2 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

903.4.2 Alarms. Approved audible devices shall be connected to every automatic sprinkler system. Such sprinkler water-flow alarm devices shall be activated by water flow equivalent to the flow of a single sprinkler of the smallest orifice size installed in the system. Actuation of the automatic sprinkler system shall actuate the building fire alarm system. Every automatic sprinkler system shall be monitored by a central station monitoring company.

- (f) Section 905.3 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

905.3 Required installations. Class I standpipe systems shall be installed at all residential group R occupancies located on flag lots, the location of which shall be approved by the fire chief; otherwise, standpipe systems shall be provided as set forth in sections 905.3.1 through 905.11.

- (g) Section 1103.7 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

1103.7 Where required—retroactive in existing buildings and structures. An approved manual automatic or manual and automatic fire alarm system shall be provided in existing buildings and structures in accordance with sections 1103.7.1 through 1103.7.64 Upon notification by the fire marshal, existing building and structures required to have an approved manual, automatic or manual and automatic fire alarm system shall have a two year period to comply with this section.

- (h) Section 907.2.3 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

907.2.3 Educational group E. Educational group E occupancies including day nurseries, day care centers, and preschool centers, having an occupancy load of six or more persons shall be required to install an automatic fire alarm

system to include an approved manual pull-down station. Each system shall incorporate smoke detection devices in each occupiable area, with all detectors interconnected in such a way that activation of any required detector shall automatically activate all detectors.

- (i) Section 907.2.2 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide by deleting sections 1 through 4.

907.2.2 Group B. Manual fire alarm boxes and smoke detection in all common corridors and elevator lobbies shall be installed in group B occupancies having an occupant load of 250 or more persons, or more than 100 persons above or below the lowest level of exit discharge.

Exception: Manual fire alarm boxes and smoke detectors are not required where the building is equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system and the alarm notification appliances will activate upon sprinkler water flow

- (j) Section 5704.2 of the International Fire Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

5704.2 Locations where above ground tanks are prohibited. Except as otherwise provided in this section, storage of class I and class II liquids in aboveground tanks outside of building is prohibited within the city limits. The fire marshal may approve temporary storage of class I and class II liquids in portable aboveground tanks at construction sites. Storage by state political subdivisions of diesel fuel in aboveground tanks enclosed in concrete is exempt from the provisions of the section.