ORDINANCE NO. 520

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 8, BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION, ARTICLE II. CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS SECTION 8-21 TO UPDATE THE ADOPTED VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL CODES AND OTHER BUILDING CODES RELATING TO INSPECTION ACTIVITIES AND ENFORCEMENT OF BUILDING PROVISIONS AS PROVIDED IN SAID CODES, AND ADDING MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR TO SUBSECTION (G), AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

This ordinance was introduced and submitted to the City Council for passage and adoption after the second reading of the Ordinance. After presentation and discussion of the Ordinance, a motion was made by <u>Council Member James Herrera</u> that the Ordinance be finally passed and adopted in accordance with the City's Home Rule Charter. The motion was seconded by <u>Council Member Polo Narvaez</u> and carried by the following voted:

Mayor Alejandro Flores	For	Against	Abstained
Mayor Pro-tem Andres Lopez-ABSENT	For	Against	Abstained
Councilmember Polo Narvaez	For	Against	Abstained
Councilmember James Herrera	For	Against	Abstained
Councilmember Ray Ortiz	For	Against	Abstained
Councilmember Juan Munoz-ABSENT	For	Against	Abstained

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Los Fresnos to adopt, in all respects, the various International Codes relating to building, fire prevention, plumbing, mechanical, fuel/gas, energy conservation, private sewage disposal, green construction, swimming pool and spa, and the National Electrical Code and;

WHEREAS, the adopting of these Codes is done to facilitate proper inspection activities by the City of Los Fresnos or their representative relating to construction and maintenance of buildings within the corporate limits of said City and relating to public safety, health and general welfare.

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

Section 1. That ARTICLE II. - CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS Sec. 8-21. - Adopted by reference. is hereby amended to reflect as follows

- (a) The following building and technical codes are adopted by the city, subject to those provisions amended or excepted in this article, if any:
 - (1) ICC International Building Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
 - (2) ICC International Residential Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
 - (3) ICC International Plumbing Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
 - (4) ICC International Mechanical Code, 2012 2018 Edition.

- (5) ICC International Fuel Gas Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (6) ICC International Fire Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (7) ICC International Private Sewage Disposal Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (8) ICC International Energy Conservation Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (9) ICC International Green Construction Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (10) ICC International Property Maintenance Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (11) ICC International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2012 2018 Edition.
- (12) NFPA National Electrical Code, 2014 2017 Edition.
- (b) In this section, ICC refers to the International Code Council and NFPA refers to the National Fire Protection Association, publishers of the codes adopted in this section.
- (c) Subsequent editions or amendments to the adopted publications and state amendments and errata shall not become effective unless specifically adopted by the city council.
- (d) A copy of each adopted code of technical regulations, as well as the adopting ordinance, shall be authenticated and recorded by the city secretary and kept on file in the office of the city secretary, where they shall be available for public inspection.
- (e) When reference is made to the duties of certain officials named in the code, the designated city official who has duties corresponding to those of the named official in said code shall be deemed to be the responsible official as far as enforcing the provisions of said code are concerned.
- (f) Construction related fees for permits and inspections required by the adopted construction codes or this Code shall be in the amount provided in the city fee schedule. In addition:
 - (1) When the valuation of the proposed construction exceeds \$1,000.00 and a plan is required to be submitted a plan checking fee shall be paid to the city. The plan checking fee shall be equal to one-half of the building permit fee as set in this Code and is in addition to the building permit fee.
 - (2) If work requiring a construction permit is commenced without the permit, permit fees will be double the amount provided in the city fee schedule.
- (g) Electrical, mechanical and plumbing contractors must provide acceptable identification and proof of required insurance and state license as a prerequisite for permit issuance.

Section 2. The City of Los Fresnos will automatically adopt any future amendments to above Codes and will adopt new editions to the Codes as they are revised.

Section 3. When reference is made to the duties of certain officials named in the Codes that designated official or his representative who has duties corresponding to those of the named official or representative in said Code shall be deemed to be the responsible official or representative insofar as enforcing the provisions of said Code.

Section 4. That Ordinance 465 is hereby repealed and any other Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict are hereby repealed.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect after the final reading and when caption of Ordinance has been published in the official newspaper of the City.

INTRODUCED AND APPROVED on the first reading this 11^{TH} day of May, 2021.

APPROVED AND PASSED on the second reading this 8th day of June, 2021.



Alejandro Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jacqueline Moya, City Secretary