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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.30 (TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL), SECTION 12.30.060 (PERMIT, BOND, AND INSURANCE REQUIRED), SUBSECTION (C) AND SECTION 12.30.070 (PERMIT FEES), SUBSECTION (B) TO INCLUDE SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE DEFINITIONS AND FEE EXEMPTIONS; THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 1.08 (GENERAL PENALTY) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

**WHEREAS**, the City recognizes that special events are essential for a vibrant community and provide a distinct benefit to the local culture and economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to streamline the procedure for applying and obtaining permits for special events using public rights-of-way by providing a separate administrative process for the issuance of these permits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City believe that the Special Events serve a municipal purpose of creating cultural, recreational and civic opportunities for residents and visitors of the City of El Paso, and therefore desires to allow for a fee exemption; and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of this ordinance will contribute to the streamlining of the procedure of applying for and obtaining special events permits by ensuring traffic control permitting and fee structure remains consistent all types of event permits;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

**SECTION 1.** That Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.30 (Temporary Traffic Control), Section 12.30.060 (Permit, Bond, and Insurance Required), Subsection (C) and Section 12.30.070 (Permit Fees), Subsection (B) of the El Paso City Code be amended to read as follows:

a) Amend Subsection 12.30.060(C) to read as follows:

C. Temporary and special events. Those traffic control permits issued for temporary and special events where construction work is not conducted within the right-of-way, such as a block party, film making or parade, shall be exempt from the requirements in this section concerning bonds and insurance coverage but shall meet requirements for bonds and insurance as may exist under other applicable provisions of the City Code.

b) Amend Subsection 12.30.070(B) as follows:

B. Exemptions. City departments, public utilities with city or state franchises for use of the right-of-way and state agencies and any construction contractor under contract with the city, such public utilities or an agency of the state shall be exempt from paying the fees

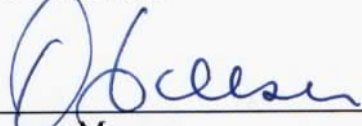
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authorized under this section. Those traffic control permits issued for temporary and special events where construction work is not conducted within the right-of-way, such as a block party, film making or parade, shall be exempt from the fee requirements in this section but shall meet the applicable fee requirements under other provisions of the City Code.

**SECTION 2.** Except as herein amended, Title 12 of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

**CITY OF EL PASO**

  
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Oscar Leiser, Mayor


**ATTEST:**

  
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