

ORDINANCE NO. 147

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COAHOMA, TEXAS, REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NUMBER 45 IN ITS ENTIRETY; REQUIRING AN OWNER TO OBTAIN A BUILDING PERMIT PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTING, MOVING, OR MAKING MAJOR RENNOVATIONS TO ANY BUILDING OR STRUCTURE; PROVIDING FOR A PERMIT FEE OF TEN CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT OF THE BUILDING OR STRUCTURE WITH A MINIMUM FEE OF \$10.00; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF UP TO \$250.00 FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT: SEVERABILITY; REPEALER, PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROPER NOTICE.

BUILDING PERMITS

WHEREAS, the City of Coahoma, Texas (the "City") is a General Law Type-A city pursuant to Article II, Section 4 of the Texas Constitution and Section 22. 001 et seq, Tex. Loc. Gov. Code. Ann. (Vernon); and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is necessary in order to preserve and maintain the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Coahoma, Texas, that certain regulations related to building construction permits be adopted.

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

ARTICLE I. BUILDING PERMIT

Sec. 1.01 Building Permit Required.

Any person desiring to construct, make major renovations to, or move within the city limits of the City of Coahoma, any building or structure, shall first make application to the City Secretary for a building permit. No such work shall be commenced until a building permit has been issued. This building permit and the permit fee required are separate from, and in addition to water and sewer connection requirements and permits as provided for in Ordinance No. 143.

Sec. 1.02 Application.

Each application for a building permit shall be made on a form furnished by the City Secretary and shall contain a general description of the work and its location. The application shall be signed by the owner or his authorized agent and shall be accompanied with the appropriate fee as set forth in this ordinance.

Sec. 1.03 Issuance.

The City council of the City of Coahoma shall either approve or disapprove any application for a building permit without unreasonable or unnecessary delay once an application is complete and filed with the City. Failure by the owner to commence the work authorized by such permit within six (6) months after its issuance, or the suspension of such work authorized by a permit for a period of one year after the time such work has commenced, shall render the permit invalid; provided, however, that one or more extensions of time for periods not exceeding ninety (90) days each, may be allowed with the approval of the City Council.

Sec. 1.04 Penalty.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined upon conviction, not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each such offense. Each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

ARTICLE II. PERMIT FEES.

Sec. 2.01 Fee Calculation. The fee for building permits for residential and commercial structures to be built or moved into the City limits shall be ten (10) cents per square foot with a minimum fee of \$10.00. This fee will cover up to three (3) inspections or re-inspections of the building by City officials. If additional re-inspections are required, an additional charge of \$25.00 per inspection shall be charged.

Sec. 2.02 No permit shall be issued until all applicable fees and charges are paid.

ARTICLE III. MISCELLANEOUS.

Section 3.01 Repeal. This ordinance repeals and replaces Ordinance No. 45 of the City that was adopted on August 23, 1979 and supersedes the provisions of any other ordinance on the same subject matter to the extent of any conflict.


Section 3.02 Severability. Should any part, portion, section or provision of this ordinance be declared to be invalid or inoperative or void for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision, opinion or judgment shall in no way affect the remaining parts, portions, sections or provisions of this ordinance which provisions shall remain and continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 3.03 Publication. The City Secretary is hereby directed to publish a caption of this Ordinance that summarizes its purpose and penalty, as provided in Section 52.011 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Section 3.04 Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage, approval, and publication.

Section 3.05 Notice and Meeting. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose said meeting was given as required by law.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Coahoma, Texas on this the 19th day of September, 2019.

By: 
Warren Wallace, Mayor

ATTEST:


Tammy Griffith, City Secretary