

**CITY OF SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 2874**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2865, THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE FOR COSTS, FEES AND RATES ASSOCIATED WITH PERMITTING, UTILITY SERVICES AND OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY; PROVIDING PURPOSE AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR REDUCTION AND WAIVER OF FEES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Sulphur Springs, a home-rule municipality, provides permitting and services to the citizens, property owners and other parties residing in and/or doing business within the City of Sulphur Springs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sulphur Springs must charge fees in order to serve as a fiscally responsible governmental entity and to recover costs incurred by the City of Sulphur Springs in connection with the aforesaid permits and services; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2024, the City Council of the City of Sulphur Springs enacted Ordinance No. 2865 and finds that the Master Fee Schedule set forth in Exhibit "A" contains adequate fees to recover costs incurred by the City in connection with services provided to citizens, property owners and parties doing business within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that from time to time, it may be necessary and in the interest of the citizens of the City of Sulphur Springs to waive or reduce fees for other governmental entities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION I. MASTER FEE SCHEDULE. That the Master Fee Schedule as adopted as Exhibit "A" of Ordinance No. 2865 is also Exhibit "A" of this Ordinance No. 2874. Exhibit "A" represents fees imposed by the City of Sulphur Springs for permitting and other services provided by the City, established by City Ordinance and/or other rule of law. There shall be created by this ordinance Appendix "C"- Master Fee Schedule.

SECTION II. PURPOSE AND INTENT. The purpose of this ordinance is to list in one Master Fee Schedule, the fees and charges to be collected on behalf of the City of Sulphur Springs for permits and other services; however, the adoption of the Master Fee Schedule is not intended to repeal or abolish any fee properly imposed by another ordinance, regulation, or adopted code that is not listed in this Master Fee Schedule. In the event there is a conflict between a fee in the Master Fee Schedule and the provisions of any other city ordinance or rule of law, the fee listed in the Master Fee Schedule shall prevail. This shall not, however, affect the validity of the remaining provisions of such other ordinance or rule of law, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III. REDUCTION AND WAIVER OF FEES.

The City Council reserves the discretion to either reduce or waive fees for any other governmental entity that seeks such reduction or waiver. Determination for the waiver or reduction of fees shall be made by the City Council by resolution.

SECTION IV. REPEALER CLAUSE. The provisions of this ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances or parts of ordinances governing or regulating the same subject matter as that which is covered herein, however, that all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent that such inconsistency is apparent. This ordinance shall not be construed to require or allow any act which is prohibited by any other ordinance.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE This ordinance shall take effect April 1, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING, this the 4th day of March, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND READING, this the 1st day of April, 2025.

Harold Nash, Mayor

Natalie Burling, City Secretary

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD FOR THE FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2874 ON April 1st, 2025
AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 7 PM.