

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-6

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEACH CITY, TEXAS, (i) AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2005-1 (ii) ESTABLISHING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS WHERE NEW AND/OR REMODELED CONSTRUCTION OR WHERE THERE EXISTS THE INSTALLATION, REPAIR, MODIFICATION OR USE OF ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITIES (OSSF), (iii) ESTABLISHING THE METHOD OF PROVISION OF ELECTRICAL POWER TO PROPERTIES, AND (iv) PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT BY IMPOSITION OF A CRIMINAL PENALTY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

**PREAMBLE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Beach City desires to provide for the safety and welfare of its citizens;

**WHEREAS**, the City intends to protect the citizens of this City with adequate public health and safety protection and a minimum of environmental pollution;

**WHEREAS**, the City deems it necessary to issue permits, inspect and make provisions for electrical power to properties where new construction and/or modification of structures occurs, whether it is the installation, repair or modification of existing structures to abate or prevent injury to public health arising from the effect to the OSSF from the construction and/or modification of structures;

**WHEREAS**, the City deems it necessary to issue permits, inspect and make provisions for electrical power to properties where there exists the installation, repair or modification of On-Site Sewage Facilities to abate or prevent injury to public health arising out of the use of On-Site Sewage Facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Beach City, Texas has considered the matter and deems it appropriate to enact an Ordinance adopting Rules regulating the installation, repair, modification of structures and On-Site Sewage Facilities to abate or prevent pollution, or injury to public health in the City of Beach City, Texas.

**WHEREAS**, the City deems it necessary to make provision for permitting, inspection, and electrical power to properties where new construction of structures occurs, whether it is the installation, repair or modification of existing structures (including but not limited to pools, driveways, and garages) to abate or prevent injury to public health arising from the effect on the OSSF from the construction of structures;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEACH CITY, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1. THAT** the matters and facts recited in the preamble hereof are hereby found and determined to be true and correct;

**SECTION 2. THAT** the construction of structures in the City of Beach City, Texas, has the potential of affecting the safety and welfare of the citizens;

**SECTION 3. THAT** the use of On-Site Sewage Facilities in the City of Beach City, Texas has the potential and may cause pollution or injury or may injure the public health;

**SECTION 4. Building permit.**

Prior to the construction of any structure on any property, whether such construction constitutes new construction, remodeling or the addition to an existing structure or the installation, repair, modification of structures and On-Site Sewage Facilities, a person must obtain a building permit from the City.

**SECTION 5. Application.**

A person desiring to obtain a building permit shall be required to complete a building permit application as provided by the City.

**SECTION 6. Permit fees**

- a. All fees collected for permits and/or inspections shall be made payable to City of Beach City, Texas.
- b. The fees for permits and/or inspections shall be established by resolution from time to time by the City Council.

**SECTION 7. Display of permit.**

The person obtaining a building permit shall display such permit in a conspicuous place on the property.

**SECTION 8. Obtaining permanent electrical power.**

Upon completion and approval by the City of the structures or On-Site Sewage Facilities, the City shall notify the public electrical provider that the City has approved the facilities for permanent occupancy. Further, the City shall approve the permanent installation of electrical power to the property and structures. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause electrical power to be supplied or provided to any structure or facility without the approval of the City.

**SECTION 9. Appeals.**

Persons aggrieved by an action or decision of the Designated Representative may appeal such action or decision to the City Council of the City of Beach City, Texas.

**SECTION 10. Area of jurisdiction.**

This Ordinance shall apply to all the area lying within the incorporated limits of the City of Beach City, Texas.

**SECTION 11. Penalties.**

Any person who fails to comply with any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding **FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00)**. Each act of violation and each day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense. In addition to the penalty prescribed above, the City may pursue other remedies such as abatement of nuisance, injunctive relief, administrative adjudication and revocation of licenses or permits.

**SECTION 12. Conflicts.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed; provided, however, that such repeal shall be only to the extent of such inconsistency and in all other respects this Ordinance shall be cumulative of other ordinances regulating and governing the subject matter covered by this ordinance.

**SECTION 13. Severability.**


It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council of the City of Beach City, Texas, that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance should be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without incorporation in this Ordinance of such unconstitutional phrases, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section

**SECTION 14. Effective date.**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after ten (10) days from its passage by the City Council. The City Secretary is hereby directed to give notice hereof by causing the caption of this ordinance to be published in the official newspaper at least twice within ten (10) days after passage of this Ordinance.

INTRODUCED, READ AND PASSED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October,  
2014

APPROVED:

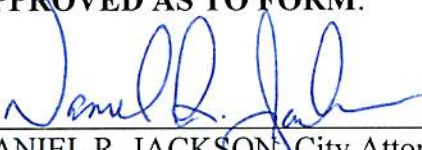
  
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BILLY COMBS, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTESTED:

  
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EVONNE DONNELLY, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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DANIEL R. JACKSON, City Attorney