

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS AMENDING THE MINIMUM INSPECTION FEE ON FILE IN THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-87(a) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FROM \$15.00 TO \$20.00; AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING ARTICLE XI ENTITLED CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR POLICIES OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA TO THE EXTENT THEY ARE INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS:

Section One

The schedule of minimum inspection fees on file with the City Secretary's office pursuant to Section 4-87(a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Columbia shall be and is hereby amended, increasing the minimum fee from \$15.00 to \$20.00.

Section Two

Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Columbia shall be and is hereby amended by the addition of Article XI, entitled Credit Card Payments, as follows:

ARTICLE XI. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

Sec. 2.450. Payment by credit card

The City is authorized to accept payment by a credit card and/or debit card of any and all sums due the City, specifically including each and every department of the City. Any such payments by credit or debit card via the internet shall include an additional amount as a convenience fee in the amount of \$2.95.

Section Three

All schedules of fines, fees, and costs which are adopted by the passage of this ordinance shall be filed with the City Secretary as provided for under the respective enabling provisions of the Code of Ordinances.

Section Four

Any rules, ordinances, police regulations, resolutions, and/or policies of the City of West Columbia, whether written, or otherwise, which are in any manner in conflict with or inconsistent with this ordinance, shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict and/or inconsistency.

Section Five

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the several provisions of this ordinance are severable, and if any court of competent jurisdiction enters a final order which holds that any section, sub-section, sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of this ordinance is invalid, illegal, or otherwise unenforceable, then any such ruling shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance which are not specifically designated as being illegal, invalid or unenforceable.

Section Six

This ordinance shall be effective and applicable immediately from and after the date of its passage and approval by the City Council of the City of West Columbia.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of November, 2011


LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:


KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary