

ORDINANCE NO. 2235

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALAMO HEIGHTS, TEXAS, ADOPTING AND ENACTING A NEW CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES NOT INCLUDED THEREIN; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF NOT EXCEEDING \$500 GENERALLY OR NOT EXCEEDING \$2,000 FOR VIOLATIONS RELATING TO FIRE SAFETY, ZONING OR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION OR NOT EXCEEDING \$4,000 FOR VIOLATIONS RELATING TO DUMPING OF REFUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF SUCH CODE; AND PROVIDING WHEN SUCH CODE AND THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

WHEREAS, the City of Alamo Heights, Texas adopted its City Charter in November 1954 and as a Home Rule City, has adopted ordinances since its incorporation and some of the general Ordinances of the City are uncodified, outdated, obsolete and in need of revision; and

WHEREAS, City staff and city's consultants have reviewed, revised outdated city ordinances and deleted provisions that have become obsolete under state or federal law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined a need to codify its Ordinances into a code of ordinances known as the "Code of Ordinances, City of Alamo Heights, Texas".

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALAMO HEIGHTS, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Alamo Heights, Texas, consisting of Chapters 1 through 19, each inclusive, is hereby adopted and enacted which shall supersede all other general and permanent ordinances of the City passed on or before July 8, 2024.

Section 2. All ordinances of a general and permanent nature enacted on or before July 8, 2024, and not included in the Code or recognized and continued in force by reference therein, are repealed.

Section 3. The codification consists of all ordinances as codified therein and as may be revised pursuant to the ordinance codification process.

Section 4. The repeal provided for in Section 2 hereof shall not be construed to revive any ordinance or part thereof that has been repealed by a subsequent ordinance that is repealed by this ordinance.

Section 5. Unless a differing penalty is expressly provided for within the Code, every person convicted of a general violation of any provision of the Code or any rule, ordinance,

or police regulation of the City shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$2,000.00 for violations of all such rules, ordinances and police regulations that govern fire safety, zoning, or public health and sanitation, not to exceed \$4,000.00 for violations of all such rules, ordinances and police regulations that govern the dumping of refuse, and not exceeding \$500.00 for all other violations. Each act of violation and each day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense. The penalty provided by this section, unless another penalty is expressly provided, shall apply to the amendment of any Code section, whether or not such penalty is reenacted in the amendatory ordinance. In addition to the penalty prescribed above, the City may pursue other remedies such as abatement of nuisances, injunctive relief and revocation of licenses or permits.

Section 6. Additions or amendments to the Code when passed in such form as to indicate the intention of the City Council to make same a part of the Code shall be deemed to be incorporated into the Code, so that reference to the Code includes the additions and amendments.

Section 7. Ordinances adopted after July 8, 2024, that amend or refer to ordinances that have been codified in the Code shall be construed as if they amend or refer to like provisions of the Code.

Section 8. This ordinance and the Code adopted hereby shall become effective upon final passage of this ordinance.


DULY ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Alamo Heights, Texas, on this the 9th day of December, 2024.


BOBBY ROSENTHAL, MAYOR

ATTEST:


ELSA T. ROBLES, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


FRANK J. GARZA, CITY ATTORNEY

