

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, TEXAS, AMENDING APPENDIX A, FEE SCHEDULE, OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD A NEW SECTION 1.1400 TO PERMIT ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF REQUESTS TO WAIVE CERTAIN FEES; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport, Texas is a Type A general-law municipality located in Wise County, created in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, the master fee schedule of the City of Bridgeport, has been codified as Appendix A of the Bridgeport Code of Ordinances establishing various fees for City services; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted various rental fees and deposits for the use of City facilities such as the community center, park pavilion, Lawdwin ball fields, Northwest Park, law enforcement center community room, City Council chambers, City pool and Bridgeport Stage as set forth in Article 1.000 "General Fees" of the fee schedule; and

WHEREAS, from time to time citizens and organizations seek a waiver from the City Council as to all or a portion of the rental fees and/or deposits required for the use of such City facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to delegate the authority to approve such rental and/or deposit waiver requests to the City Administrator or the Mayor by amending the fee schedule of the City as set forth herein.

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

SECTION 1

That Article 1.000 "General Fees" of Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances, the fee schedule, is hereby amended to add a new Section 1.1400 "Requests to Waive Certain Fees" to read as follows:

"Sec. 1.1400 Requests to Waive Certain Fees

- (a) An individual or organization requesting a waiver of all or a portion of the rental

rates and/or the required deposit for use of the following City facilities shall be submitted initially to the Parks and Recreation Director for recommendation:

- Park Pavilion Rental
- Northwest Park Fees
- Community Center Rental
- Lawdwin Ball Field Rental
- Law Enforcement Center Community Room Fees
- City Council Chambers Fees
- Bridgeport City Pool Fees
- Bridgeport Stage Fees

(b) Upon a positive recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Director, the City Administrator or the Mayor may administratively approve a request to waive all or a portion of the rental rates and/or the required deposits for use of the City facilities set forth above for special events. The City Administrator or the Mayor may choose to bring the waiver request to the City Council for consideration and action. If the City Administrator or Mayor denies administrative approval of the request for a fee waiver, the applicant may appeal the decision to the City Council by filing a written appeal to the City Secretary within three (3) days of the denial. The decision of the City Council shall be final.

(c) Requests for administrative approval of fee waivers shall be limited to one per year. Additional requests for fee waivers shall be presented to the City Council for consideration and action.”

SECTION 2

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Bridgeport, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council 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 shall 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 and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 4

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

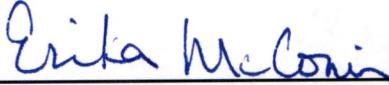
DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, TEXAS, BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 0, ON THIS THE 19 DAY OF January, 2016.

APPROVED:



Corey Lane, Mayor

ATTEST:



Erika McComis, City Secretary

