

CITY OF HUMBLE

ORDINANCE NO. 24-967

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 6 “FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION”, ARTICLE 04 “FIRE CODE” SECTION 001 “ADOPTED; AMENDMENTS”, SUBSECTION B “MODIFICATIONS” BY ADOPTING A LOCAL AMENDMENT TO THE FIRE CODE REQUIRING CERTAIN BUILDINGS THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY A FIRE EVENT TO INSTALL FIRE-SPRINKLER SYSTEMS PRIOR TO RE-OCCUPANCY, TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CITY; PROVIDING A PENALTY UP TO \$2,000 PER DAY FOR EACH VIOLATION; AND MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Humble approved Ordinance 19-836 adopting the 2018 International Fire Code on February 14, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it a public necessity in the interest of health, safety and the general welfare of the citizens to adopt additional regulations requiring the installation of fire-sprinkler systems in existing R-1, 2, 3 and 4 structures that have experienced a fire event affecting two or more units;

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

Section 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Humble, Texas, is hereby amended by creating Chapter 6, Article 04, Section 001, Subsection (b), Item 13 to read as follows:

**“Sec. 6.04.001(b)**

(13) The 2018 International Fire Prevention Code is hereby amended by creating Section 1103.5.5 to read as follows:

Section 1104.5.5 Existing R-1, 2, 3, and 4 Occupancies. In R-1, 2, 3, and 4 occupancies where a fire has occurred and displaces two (2) or more units, the affected building shall have an approved automatic sprinkler system installed prior to the re-occupancy of the unit/building.”

Section 2. In the event any clause phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Humble, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and

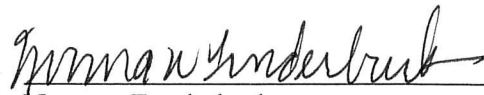
every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

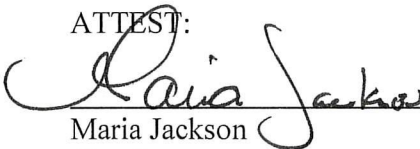
Section 4. That, this ordinance supersedes all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions stated herein.

Section 5. In accordance with Section 1.01.009 of the City Code, any person who shall intentionally, knowingly, recklessly, or with criminal negligence, violate any provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final reading and adoption of this Ordinance when the caption hereof is caused to be published once in the official newspaper of the City, by the City Secretary, within ten days after the passage of the ordinance, as required by law and Article II, Section 12 of the City Charter.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

  
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Norman Funderburk  
Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Maria Jackson  
City Secretary



**PUBLICATION CERTIFICATION**

**THIS ORDINANCE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 13 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE TEXAS ON:**

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