

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 13 TITLED "UTILITIES" BY AMENDING ARTICLE 13.11 TITLED "LANDSCAPE AND LAWN IRRIGATION CONSERVATION" BY AMENDING SECTION 13.11.001 TITLED "LANDSCAPE AND LAWN IRRIGATION RESTRICTIONS" BY AMENDING SUBSECTION (c) TO AMEND THE RESTRICTED HOURS FOR THE IRRIGATING OR WATERING OF ANY LANDSCAPING OR LAWN; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) PER VIOLATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

SECTION 1. The Midlothian Code of Ordinances be and the same is hereby amended by amending Chapter 13 titled "Utilities" by amending Article 13.11 titled "Landscape and Lawn Irrigation Conservation" by amending Section 13.11.001 titled "Landscape and lawn irrigation restrictions" by amending Subsection (c), to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 13

UTILITIES

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ARTICLE 13.11 LANDSCAPE AND LAWN IRRIGATION CONSERVATION

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Sec. 13.11.001 Landscape and lawn irrigation restrictions

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(c) Except for hand watering or the use of drip/subsurface irrigation or properly working soaker hoses, no person shall irrigate, water or cause or permit the irrigation or watering of any landscaping or lawn on premises owned, leased or managed by that person between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. during the period from June 1st through September 30th.

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SECTION 2. All provisions of the Ordinances of the City of Midlothian, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions of the Ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. An offense committed before the effective date of this Ordinance is governed by prior law and the provisions of the Code of Ordinances, as amended, in effect when the offense was committed and the former law is continued in effect for this purpose.

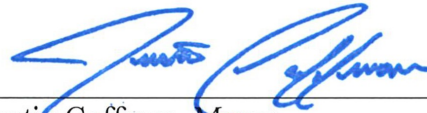
SECTION 4. Should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this Ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision thereof other than the part so decided to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, and shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole.

SECTION 5. Any person violating any of the provisions or terms of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense; and each and every day such violation shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of the state law and the Charter of the City of Midlothian.

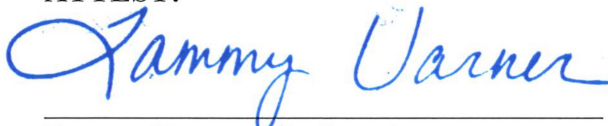
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS ON THIS THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

APPROVED:




Justin Coffman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tammy Varner, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Joseph J. Gorfida, Jr., City Attorney

