

ORDINANCE 110923

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 62-521, SCHEDULE OF RATES, IN DIVISION 3, STORM WATER FEES AND RATES, IN CHAPTER 62 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR STORM WATER RATES TO BE AS SET OUT IN APPENDIX A – FEE SCHEDULE TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SELMA AND TO PROVIDE FOR A DISCOUNT FOR STORM WATER DRAINAGE FEES FOR PROPERTY OWNED AND OCCUPIED BY RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 62-521 of the Code of Ordinances has provisions as to storm water drainage rates for residential storm water customers and commercial storm water customers of the City's water system; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted Appendix A - Fee Schedule to the Code of Ordinances as a listing of all city fees associated with various sections of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the storm water drainage fees for both residential storm water drainage customers and commercial storm water drainage customers should be reflected on the Fee Schedule – Appendix A and that Section 62-521 of the Code of Ordinances should be amended to provide that the storm water drainage fees are shown on the Fee Schedule – Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Section 552.053(d) of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes municipalities to exempt property owned by religious organizations exempt from taxation pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 11.20 from a portion of drainage charges; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the positive impact that religious organizations have within the Selma community make it appropriate to consider a reduction in the storm water drainage rate for property owned and occupied by religious organizations within the City of Selma; and

WHEREAS, City Council believes that an amendment to Section 62-521 of the Code of Ordinances to provide a 25% reduction in the storm water drainage rates for property owned and occupied by religious organizations in the City of Selma.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELMA, TEXAS, that:

Section 1. Sec. 62-521 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Selma is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 62-521 (a) Storm water drainage fees and rates for residential storm water drainage customers and for commercial storm water drainage customers of the City are as provided on Appendix A – Fee Schedule to the Code of Ordinances of the City.

(b) There shall be a 25% discount on monthly storm water drainage fees, effective on storm water drainage bills issued after November 30, 2023, for property in the City of Selma owned and occupied by religious organizations exempt from taxation pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 11.20.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of November, 2023.



ATTEST:



Johnny Casias, City Secretary



TOM DALY, Mayor