

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-O-7

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 3.12, CHAPTER 3 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS TO ADD STANDARD REQUIREMENTS FOR MAILBOXES PLACED IN THE CITY; CONTAINING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Palacios has determined that the orderly and attractive development of the City, as well as the safety of motorists and postal workers using the streets of the City, require that minimum standards for the installation and maintenance of mailboxes within the City should be adopted; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That Article 3.12.003 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Palacios, Texas is hereby amended by deletion of the provisions marked by strikeouts and addition of the underlined provisions to read as follows:

Sec. 3.12.003 Mailbox requirements

All mailboxes installed or replaced after the adoption of this ordinance shall comply with the following:

- (a) All mailboxes shall conform to the USPS guidelines for installation and maintenance.
- (b) Mailboxes must have a "Postmaster General's Seal". Handmade mailboxes must meet the same standards as manufactured mailboxes and must be approved by the local postmaster.
- (c) Address numbers must be placed on each side of the mailbox, and numbers must be large enough to be visible from street.
- (d) If the address to a property is on a different street from the structure, full address including the street name must be on the mailbox.
- (e) Mailboxes must be placed on a 4"x4" wooden support post or a 2" diameter standard steel or aluminum pipe. The support post must be able to bend or breakaway if hit by vehicle. All posts must be buried no more than 24" deep.
- (f) Mailboxes shall be positioned 41" to 45" above the road surface measured to the bottom of the mailbox or point of mail entry, with the front of the mailbox or point of mail entry positioned 6" to 8" back from the curb.

SECTION 2: If any provisions, section, exception, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances, shall for any reason be held unconstitutional, void or invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance or their application to other persons or sets of circumstances and to this end all provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this ordinance are hereby repealed; provided however, that such repeal shall be only to the extent of

such inconsistency and in all other respects this ordinance shall be cumulative of other ordinances regulating and governing the subject matter covered by this ordinance.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall become effective after its approval and adoption upon second and final reading and its publication pursuant to law.

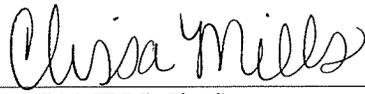
PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading this 0th day of June, 2020.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on second and final reading this 23rd day of June, 2020.

CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS

  
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GLEN SMITH, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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CLISSA MILLS, City Secretary



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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RANDALL B. STRONG, City Attorney  
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