

Ordinance amending Chapter 14 of Corpus Christi Code to create a fee waiver for residential building permits to construct an accessibility ramp and to reduce permit fees for moving structures.

City Council Presentation October 1, 2019



Accessibility Ramp Fee Waiver

- Resolution passed by City's Committee for Persons with Disabilities in support of a waiver for accessibility ramp building permit fees for private residential homes of a person with disabilities.
- Existing fee for an accessibility ramp is a significant factor in the project cost:
 - likely discourages compliance with the proper permitting process
 - increasing the likelihood of improperly constructed ramps which expose citizens to potentially unsafe conditions.
- Waiver only applies to a new ramp at an existing residential dwelling of a person with disabilities. It does not apply to a new ramp in conjunction with a new single-family dwelling.
- Typical permit fee: 400 sq. ft. x .265 cents per sq. ft. = \$106.00.



House Moving Permits Fee Reduction

- Eliminates the requirement for a pre-move relocation survey and the associated fee of \$110.25 and reduces the fee for a move structure permit from \$467.00 to \$120.00
- Fee reduction promotes growth by encouraging the relocation of structures, therefore stimulating infill construction opportunities
- Compatible with other major cities based on our benchmarking analysis.



House Moving Permits

Moving Structure / Relocation Fees			
Cities	Fees		
Galveston	Oversized Loads	Barge Fees	Total
	\$190.00	N/A	\$190.00
San Antonio	Same Property	Over 400 Sq. Ft. Per Section, Per Day	Total (Potential)
	\$18.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Austin	Permit	Processing	Total
	\$35.36 Ea.	\$81.12	\$116.48
El Paso	Permit	Technology Fee	Total
	\$115.00	(Applicable Amount)	\$115.00 w/ Tech Fee
Corpus Christi	House Moving Permit	Relocation Survey	Total
Current	\$467.00	\$110.25	\$577.25
Proposed	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$120.00



Board and Staff Recommendation

Building Code Board of Appeals recommends Approval

Staff recommends Approval