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 |

## Building Code Board of Appeals recommends Approval

Staff recommends Approval

