#### ORDINANCE NO. 2009-O-159

AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE 2009 VERSION OF SIX CODES,

- 1. ADOPTING THE 2009 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 7-1 AND 7-2;
- 2. ADOPTING THE 2009 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, BY AMENDING SECTION 7-4
- 3. ADOPTION THE 2009 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 7-7
- 4. ADOPTING THE 2009 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE BY ADDING NEW SECTION 7-8:
- 5. ADOPTING THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE BY ADDING NEW SECTION 7-9;
- 6. ADOPTING THE 2009 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, BY ADDING NEW SECTION 7-10;
  AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND FOR EFFECTIVE

**WHEREAS**, on October 16, 2006, by Ordinance No. 2006-O-234 the City Council adopted the 2006 edition of the *International Building Code*, the *International Mechanical Code*, and the *International Residential Code*; the *International Property Maintenance Code*, the *International Energy Code* and the *International Existing Building Code*; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 editions of those codes are now recommended for adoption; and

WHEREAS, these codes are designed to secure the public health and safety through structural strength, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazard attributable to the built environment, including alternation, repair, removal, demolition, use, and occupancy of building structures, or premises by regulating the installation and maintenance of all buildings, and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of the 2009 editions of the said six codes, namely, the International Building Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Residential Code for One and Two Family Dwelling, the International Property Maintenance Code, the International Energy Conservation Code and the International

Existing Building Code will facilitate comprehensive inspection activities by the Building Development Service Department of City of Laredo relating to construction and to maintenance of buildings within the City of Laredo.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO THAT:

Part 1: Section 7-1. Code-Adopted.

There is hereby adopted by the City Council the (2006) 2009 edition of the International Building Code including appendix A, "Employee Qualifications"; B, "Board of Appeals"; C, "Group U-Agricultural Building"; D, "Fire Districts"; E, "Supplementary Accessibility Requirements"; F, "Rodent Proofing"; G, "Flood Resistant Construction"; H, "Signs"; I, "Patio Covers"; J, "Grading" as published by the International Code Council and is hereby adopted as the Code of the City of Laredo, of which not less than three (3) copies have been and are now filed in the office of the City Secretary; and the same are hereby adopted and incorporated as if fully set out at length herein.

Part 2: Section 7-2 Same -Amendments

### SECTION 101 GENERAL

<u>Section (108.2) 109.1 Schedule of Permits fees</u>. On buildings, structures, electrical, gas, mechanical and plumbing systems or alterations requiring a permit, a fee for each permit shall be paid as required, in accordance with the following schedule established herein:

SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES

### Total Valuation Fee

\$1,000 and less

No fee, unless inspection required, in which case a (\$15.00) \$50.00 fee for each inspection shall be charged.

Section 1612.3. **Establishment of flood hazard areas**. To establish flood hazard areas, the governing body shall adopt a flood hazard map and supporting data. The flood hazard map shall included, at a minimum areas of special flood hazard as identified by the Federal

Emergency Management Agency in an engineering report entitled "The Flood insurance Study for *The City of Laredo,"* dated (May 17, 1982,) April 2, 2008, as amended or revised with accompanying Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Flood Boundary and Floodway Map (FBFM) and related supporting date along with any revisions thereto. The adopted flood hazard map and supporting data are hereby adopted by reference and declared to be part of this section.

### Part 3: Section 7-4. Mechanical Code –Adopted.

There is hereby adopted by the city council the (2006) 2009 edition of the *International Mechanical Code* 

### Part 4: Section 7-7 Dwelling Code

There is hereby adopted by the City Council the (2006) 2009 ed. of the *International Residential Code* (including appendix A, "Sizing and Capacities of Gas Piping", B)

The following sections of the *International Residential Code* are modified to be specifically tailored to the City of Laredo;

### **SECTION R101**

#### **GENERAL**

**Section R103.1** (Creation of enforcement) Enforcement agency. The Department of Building (Safety) Development Services is hereby created and official in charge thereof shall be known as the (building official) Director of Building Development Services.

# SECTION R313 AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

Section R313.1 and section R313.2 are deleted in their entirely.

(Section R313.1 Townhouse automatic fire sprinkler system. An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall be installed in townhouses)

**Exception:** An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall not be required when additions or alternation are made to existing *townhouses* that do not have automatic residential fire sprinkler systems installed.

R313.1 **Design and installation**. Automatic residential fire sprinkler system for townhouse shall be designed and installed in accordance with section P2904.

(Section R313.2 One-and two family dwelling automatic fire systems. Effective January 1, 20011, an automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall be installed in one-

and two-family dwellings.)

**Exception:** An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall not be required for additions or alternation to existing building that are not already provided with an automatic residential sprinkler system.

R313.2.1 Design and installation. An automatic residential fire sprinkler systems shall be design and installed in accordance with section P2904 or NFPA 13D.

### Section R315

### **Carbon Monoxide Alarms**

Section R315 is deleted in their entirely.

(R315.1 Carbon monoxide alarms. For new construction, an approved carbon monoxide alarm shall be installed outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms in dwelling units within which fuel fired appliance are installed and in dwelling units that have attached garages.

R315.2 Where required in existing dwelling. Where work required a permit occurs in existing dwelling that have attached garage or in existing dwelling within which fuel fired appliance exist, carbon monoxide alarms shall be provided in accordance with section R315.1.

**R315.3 Alarm requirement**. Single station carbon monoxide alarms shall be listed as complying with UL 2034 and shall be installed in accordance with this code and the manufacture's installation instructions.)

Part 5: Section 7-8. International Property Maintenance Code-Adopted.

There is hereby adopted by the City Council the (2006) 2009 edition. of the *International Property Maintenance Code*.

**Part 6:** New Section 7-9 of Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances is added to read as follows:

Section 7-9. International Energy Conservation Code-Adopted.

There is hereby adopted by the City Council the (2006) 2009 edition of the *International Energy Conservation Code*.

**Part 7:** Section 7-10. International Existing Building Code-Adopted.

There is hereby adopted by the City Council the (2006) 2009 ed. of the *International Existing Building Code*.

<u>Part 8:</u> This ordinance shall take effect after publication in accordance with the requirement of Section 2.09(D) of the Charter.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS  $\frac{218^{+}}{2009}$  DAY OF  $\frac{1}{2009}$ , 2009.

RAUL G. SALINAS

MAYOR

ATTEST:

GUSTAVO GUEVARA

**CITY SECRETARY** 

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**RAUL CASSO** 

**CITY ATTORNEY** 

KRISTINA LAUREL HALE

**ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY** 

### **COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

DATE	SUBJECT: Final Reading Ordinance No. 2009-0-159		
09/21/09	<ul> <li>Amending Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinance in order to adopt the 2009 version of six codes:</li> <li>1. Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Building Code by amending section 7-1 and 7-2;</li> <li>2. Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Mechanical Code, by amending section 7-4</li> <li>3. Adoption the 2009 edition of the International Residential Code by amending section 7-7</li> <li>4. Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Property Maintenance code by amending section 7-8;</li> <li>5. Adopting the International Energy Conservation Code by amending section 7-9;</li> <li>6. Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Existing Building Code, by amending section 7-10; And providing for an effective date.</li> </ul>		
		STAFF SOURCE: Erasmo A. Villarreal Director of Building Development Services  a public hearing introducing this Ordinance. The 2006 uilding and mechanical were adopted in October 16,	
publish stan developmen	oil (ICC) updates the building and dards, which if adopted, provide a	related codes approximately every three years. The also additional guidance in the regulation of structure and the newest edition of the International Codes and to	
FINANCIA	L IMPACT:		
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2009-O-116 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an amusement redemption machine establishment on Lot 1, Block 1, Friends Association Subdivision, located at 9110 McPherson Road; providing for publication and an effective date. (AS AMENDED)

2009-O-117 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for accessory parking on Lot 13, Block 6, Indian Sunset Subdivision Phase 11, located at 12921 Mohawk Drive; providing for publication and an effective date. (AS AMENDED)

2009-O-118 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an amusement redemption machine establishment on Lots 9-12, Block 1, Vista Hermosa Subdivision, Unit III, and Lots 13A and 14A, Block 1, Vista Hermosa Subdivision, Unit VI, located at 5517 McPherson Road, Suites #18 and 19; providing for publication and an effective date. (AS AMENDED)

2009-O-158 amending the Laredo Land Development Code of the City of Laredo, by: amending Article IV, Zoning Regulations, Section 24.63.2, Permitted Uses, Page IV-7, to delete Registered Family Home and replace with Registered Child-Care Home/Licensed Child Care Home; amending Article IV, Zoning Regulations, Section 24.63.2, Permitted Uses, Page IV-11, to amend Child Day Care (7 or more) to Child Day Care (13 or more); and amending Appendix A, Definitions; to delete the definition of Registered Family Home and add the definition of Child-Care Home Types (registered and licensed) and providing for publication and effective date. providing for publication and effective date.

2009-O-159 amending Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinance in order to adopt the 2009

version of six codes:

1. Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Building Code by amending section 7-1 Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Mechanical Code, by amending section

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1-1; A. Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Property Maintenance Code by amending section 7-8; 5. Adopting the International Energy Conservation Code by amending section 7-9; 6. Adoption the 2009 edition of the International Existing Building Code, by amending section 7-10; And providing for publication an effective date.

2009-O-160 amending Chapter 25 of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Laredo, entitled Plumbing by amending section 25-3 thereby Adopting the 2009 edition of the International Plumbing Code, Amending section 25-6 International Fuel Gas Code, thereby adopting the 2009 edition of the International Fuel Gas Code, amending section 25-7 Private Disposal Code, thereby adopting the 2009 edition of the International Private Sewage Disposal Code; and repealing all ordinances and/or parts of ordinance in conflict therewith; providing for publication and effective date.

Conflict therewith; providing for publication and effective date.

2009-O-167 Amending City of Laredo Code of Ordinance, Chapter 31, Article III, Division 4, water conservation as follows:

• reducing the Gallons Per Capita Per Day (GPCD) consumption by 20% from a four (4) year average of 190 GPCD to 150 GPCD by the year 2019

• requiring that no person shall be allowed to open or close a fire hydrant or fire hydrant meter without having a training and certificate from the Utilities Department for having completed a mandatory training with the exception of the City of Laredo Fire Department when conducting trainings at the fire training facility located at Pinto Valle; mandatory training will be free of charge;

• allowing no more than two (2) written warnings before the first citation can be issued for violations of this ordinance;

• increasing penalty from a range of \$20.00-\$100.00 to a flat \$500.00 per violation per day, with 50% of each fine collected to be deposited in a water conservation fund to be used only for programs related to water conservation;

• establishing fees for wasting water \$5.00 for the 1st citation; \$10.00-2nd citation; \$20.00-3rd citation; \$40.00-4th citation; \$80.00-5th citation; 6th citation \$320.00 with each additional fine increasing in increments of \$160.00;

• recommending xeriscape for all new construction including public facilities;

• prohibiting turf grass in parkways, narrow strips of land, medians, sloped areas (except for erosion control), and in entrances within new residential or commercial sites, applicable to construction begun after effective date of this ordinance;

• expanding the days for washing vehicles to include Saturdays and Sundays at any time using a bucket, hand held hose with a positive shut off nozzle, and a hose bibb vacuum breaker (check valve) connected to faucet; allowing the washing of hard surfaced areas by using a high pressure washer only;

• vehicle washing fundraisers for schools, non-profit or charitable organizations will require an applicat

2009-O-168 AMENDING ARTICLE XII, CHAPTER 19, DIVISION 2, AND 5, SECTIONS 19-562(c) AND 19-601.12, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

A. DIVISION 2, SECTION 19-562 (c) FARES FOR FIXED TRANSIT SERVICE (I) ADULT FARE FROM \$1.25 TO \$1.40 Effective October 1, 2010 from \$1.40 to \$1.50 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009 (c) PERSONS 62 OR OVER OR WITH DISABILITIES WITH EL METRO IDENTIFICATION CARD: PEAK HOURS FROM \$0.10 TO \$0.25 (Peak hours: 5:30 am to 9:00 am and 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm Mondays through Fridays) Effective October 1, 2010 from \$0.25 to \$0.35 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

NON PEAK HOURS FROM FREE TO \$0.15 (Non Peak hours: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and 3:00 pm and after 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Saturday, Sunday & Holidays)

Effective October 1, 2010 from \$0.15 to \$0.25 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

(3) HALF FARE FOR MEDICARE RECIPIENTS FROM \$0.50 TO \$0.65 Effective October 1, 2010 from \$0.65 to \$0.75 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

(4) CHILDREN (over 5 and under 12 years of age) FROM \$0.25 to \$0.40 Effective October 1, 2010 from \$0.40 to \$0.50 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

(5) STUDENTS FARE FROM \$1.00 to \$1.15 Effective October 1, 2010 from \$1.15 to \$1.25 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

(6) TRANSFERS FROM \$0.05 TO \$0.20 Effective October I, 2010 from \$0.20 to \$0.30 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

(7) EXPRESS ROUTE SERVICE FROM \$1.25 TO \$1.40 Effective October I, 2010 from \$1.40 to \$1.50 as amended by City Council on September 21, 2009

B. DIVISION 5, SECTION 19-601.12 PARATRANSIT FARES
(1) INCREASE THE CASH PER TRIP FROM \$.75 TO \$0.90
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October 15, 2009 6:00 P.M. LISD Board Room 1620 Houston St. Laredo, Texas

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