

**CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-03-03**

Amend Lavon Farms PD - Fences

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2017-09-01, AS AMENDED, THAT ESTABLISHED THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT FOR THE LAVON FARMS ADDITION TO REGULATE THE PLACEMENT OF REAR YARD FENCES; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; A CUMULATIVE REPEALER CLAUSE; A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE AND A SEPARATE OFFENSE SHALL BE DEEMED COMMITTED EACH DAY DURING OR ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS OR CONTINUES; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Planned Development District established by Ordinance No. 2017-09-01 for the Lavon Farms Addition provides that rear yard fences shall not extend forward towards the front of the house beyond the rear corner of the house; and

**WHEREAS**, amending the regulation to allow rear yard fences to extend to the front elevation of the house rather than the rear corner of the house provides greater use of the property and additional security and screening; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Lavon and the City Council of the City of Lavon, in compliance with the laws of the State of Texas, have given the requisite notices by publication and otherwise, and have held due hearings and afforded a full and fair hearing to all property owners generally and to all persons interested, and the City Council of the City of Lavon is of the opinion and finds that said changes should be granted and that the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance should be amended;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF PREMISES**

The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT**

The Planned Development - Single Family (PD-SF) District regulations established by Ordinance No. 2017-09-01 for the Lavon Farms addition are hereby amended as follows:

Section 7. Development Standards

#### D. Fencing Standards

1. Rear Yard Fences. Rear yard fences shall not extend forward, towards the front of the house, beyond the front elevation ~~back (rear) corner~~ of the house.

#### **SECTION 3. SAVINGS**

That all rights and remedies of the City of Lavon are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any Ordinances regulating, affecting, or relating to zoning, land use and/or development which have accrued at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such Ordinances, same shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

#### **SECTION 4. CUMULATIVE REPEALER**

That this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other Ordinances and shall not repeal any of the provisions of such Ordinances except for those instances where there are direct conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance. Ordinances or parts thereof in force at the time this Ordinance shall take effect and that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent with this Ordinance. Provided however, that any complaint, action, claim or lawsuit which has been initiated or has arisen under or pursuant to such Ordinance on the date of adoption of this Ordinance shall continue to be governed by the provisions of that Ordinance and for that purpose the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

#### **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, article, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word in this Ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and the City Council hereby declares it would have passed such remaining portions of this Ordinance despite such invalidity, which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

#### **SECTION 6. PENALTY**

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provision of this Ordinance, and any person violating or failing to comply with any provision hereof shall be fined, upon conviction, in an amount not less than One Dollar (\$1.00) nor more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), and a separate offense shall be deemed committed each day or part of a day during or on which a violation occurs or continues. Further, if the governing body of the City of Lavon determines that a violation of this Ordinance creates a threat to the public safety, the City may bring suit in the District Court to enjoin such violation and may exercise all available remedies as allowed by law.

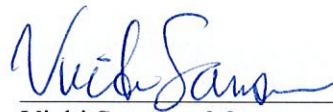
#### **SECTION 7. PUBLICATION**

The City Secretary of the City of Lavon is hereby directed to publish the Caption, Penalty and Effective Date of this Ordinance as required by Section 52.011 of the Texas Local Government Code.

**SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE**

That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its date of passage, in accordance with law, and it is so ordained.

**DULY PASSED and APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Lavon, Texas, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2021.



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Vicki Sanson., Mayor

**ATTEST:**



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Rae Norton, City Secretary

