

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

RESOLUTION AND ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS, WAIVING ANY AND ALL COUNTY-IMPOSED FEES FOR REQUIRED PERMITS TO REPAIR COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES DAMAGED BY SEVERE WEATHER AND FLOODING EVENTS RELATED TO TROPICAL STORM (HURRICANE) HARVEY.

WHEREAS, many commercial properties located in Fort Bend County (the "County") have been affected by the severe weather and flooding events related to Tropical Storm (Hurricane) Harvey causing damage that will require repairs; and

WHEREAS, the repairs necessary to restore the commercial properties to pre-flood conditions may require a Development Permit pursuant to the County's Regulations for Floodplain Management; and

WHEREAS, the County encourages its citizens to work with the Engineering Department to ensure repairs are done in a responsible manner through the Development Permit application process, and recognizes the potential financial burden that may be caused by the fees associated with such process; and

WHEREAS, the County finds that the waiver of any and all County-imposed permit fees to repair commercial properties damaged by severe weather and flooding events related to Tropical Storm (Hurricane) Harvey serves a public purpose and is necessary to encourage its citizens work within the Development Permit process to rebuild properties in a safe and responsible manner.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the findings and recitations in the preamble to this resolution are found to be true and correct and the orders stated in the preamble

to this resolution are hereby ordered.

Section 2. The Commissioners Court does hereby authorize the waiver of any and all County-imposed permit fees to repair commercial properties damaged by severe weather and flooding events related to Tropical Storm (Hurricane) Harvey.

Section 3. This waiver shall only apply to applicants seeking to repair commercial property damaged by severe weather and flooding events related to Tropical Storm (Hurricane) Harvey and the fees typically assessed to obtain permits for such repairs. Applicants are still responsible for any fees payable to the State of Texas or any other entity necessary for approval to repair damages, which cannot be waived by the County.

Section 4. Effective date. This resolution and order shall be effective from its approval and adoption, and the waiver of such County-imposed permit fees shall expire on September 30, 2019.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 5 day of October, 2017.

Fort Bend County

By: _____

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

ATTEST:

Laura Richard

Laura Richard, County Clerk

