ORDINANCE 2010-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY FOR THE COSTS OF COLLECTION ON DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of La Feria wishes to defray its costs of collection, as authorized by TEX. TAX CODE § 33.11, that it incurs under a contract for collection of delinquent property taxes between said city and a private law firm entered into pursuant to TEX. TAX CODE § 6.30; and

WHEREAS, under said Section 33.11, the governing body of the City of La Feria is empowered to authorize the addition of a collection penalty in an amount that does not exceed the amount of the compensation specified in the contract with the private law firm,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA, SITTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF SAID CITY, THAT:

Section 1: The recitals set forth in this resolution are true and correct.

Section 2: An additional penalty on delinquent taxes for tax years 2010 and subsequent years is hereby authorized and imposed, as provided by Section 33.11, Texas Tax Code, in the amount of 20% of the delinquent tax, penalty and interest if the tax becomes delinquent on February 1 of a year and remains delinquent on the 60^{th} day thereafter.

Section 3: The effective date would be immediately after approval of this ordinance.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL 2010.

APPROVED:

Steve Brewer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Miguel D. Wise, City Attorney