

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 4.09 (AMBULANCE SERVICES) BY MODIFYING CERTAIN EXCLUSIVITY PROVISIONS AS THEY RELATE TO EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority of Article II, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, the City of La FERIA is empowered under Article VI, Sec. 6.02 of the City Charter to enact and enforce all ordinances necessary to protect health, life, and property, which are consistent with state law;

WHEREAS, the City of La FERIA has previously enacted Article 4.09 of the City of La FERIA Code of Ordinances, which governs emergency and non-emergency medical transportation for the City of La FERIA;

WHEREAS, in enacting said Article, the City of La FERIA found that making high-quality and reliable emergency medical services and non-emergency medical transport services available to its residents is of significant priority;

WHEREAS, the City desires to expand certain provisions of Article 4.09 as they relate to the emergency and non-emergency medical transport services, and finds this will further the City's aims of making high-quality and reliable medical services available to its residents;

WHEREAS, the City finds that this ordinance is in the best interests of the City of La FERIA and is necessary to promote the general health, safety, and welfare of the public;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LA FERIA:

SECTION I. FINDINGS OF FACT.

All of the above premises are hereby found to be true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Commission and are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this Article as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT

The City of La FERIA Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by modifying the current Chapter 4, Article 4.09 (Ambulance Services), as shown in Exhibit A, hereto, and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

SECTION III: SEVERABILITY

Should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section of this ordinance be adjusted or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance in whole or any part or provision thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional.

SECTION IV. REPEALER

The provisions of this ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances or parts of ordinances governing or regulating the same subject matter as that covered herein; provided, however, that all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent that such inconsistency is apparent. This ordinance shall not be construed to require or allow any act that is prohibited by any other ordinance.

SECTION V. PUBLICATION

The City Secretary is hereby authorized to publish this ordinance pursuant to Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code and other requirements as may be provided by law.

SECTION VI. PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING

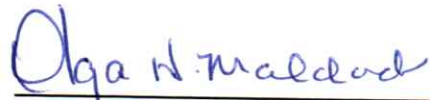
It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

APPROVED and ADOPTED on this the 13th day of September 2022.

Attest:



Amanda Morales, City Secretary



Olga H. Maldonado, Mayor
City of La Feria, Texas