

ORDINANCE NO. 16 - 14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, COMMERCE, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 94 (UTILITIES), IN PART, BY AMENDING SECTION 94 – 33 EXEMPTING DESIGNATED PUBLIC ENTITIES FROM THE DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS FOR UTILITY SERVICES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS:

WHEREAS, the City Council has established a requirement for deposits to be paid prior to the provision of utility services to ensure payment of all utility bills, and

WHEREAS, the deposit, less any amount still due to the city for utility service, will be refunded to the patron following the termination of services;

WHEREAS, many public entities located in the City of Commerce are not likely to terminate services, thereby eliminating the necessity for the deposit, and

WHEREAS, after due deliberations and consideration, the City Council has determined that the amendments set forth herein should be adopted, and that such amendments are in the best interest of the citizens of the City

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS:

Section 33. Deposit required; refund

A deposit shall be made with each application for utility service; such deposit to be retained by the city to ensure payment of all utility bills. The deposit shall be refunded without interest, when service to the patron is discontinued permanently. The deposit, less any amount still due to the city for utility service, will be refunded to the patron.

The enumerated persons or organizations, acting pursuant to agreement with the city, exempted from this provision are as follows, to wit:

- (1) Authorized agents or employees of the city in the exercise of their duties with respect to utilization of utility service;
- (2) Contractor, acting pursuant to contract with the city, for utilization of utility service;
- (3) Texas A&M University – Commerce;
- (4) Commerce ISD;
- (5) Hunt County;

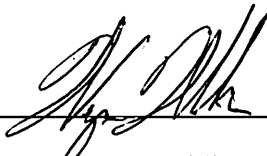
PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas on the **FIRST READING** this the 20TH day of September 2016.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas on the **SECOND READING** this the 18TH day of October 2016.

ATTEST:

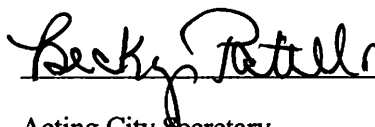
CITY OF COMMERCE


Becky Pattillo, Acting City Secretary


Wyman Williams, Mayor

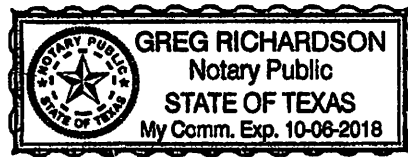
I, Becky Pattillo, Acting City Secretary of the City of Commerce, Texas, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an ordinance of the City of Commerce, Texas, and that the same has not been repealed and is in full force and effect;

(Seal)


Acting City Secretary
City of Commerce, Texas

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 1st day of November, 2016, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

(Seal)



Greg Richardson

Notary Public, State of Texas

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