

ORDINANCE NO. 3612

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 98, ARTICLE IX, OF THE NORTH RICHLAND HILLS CODE OF ORDINANCES, ADOPTING THE 2018 INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE AS AMENDED AS THE PLUMBING CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES AND REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of North Richland Hills, Texas (“the City”) is a home rule city acting under its power adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the International Plumbing Code is developed by construction industry professionals and adopted around the world as the model code based on the best, most recent building science; and

WHEREAS, updates to the building codes are meant to track with changes in building industry standards, practices, innovations, and technologies; and

WHEREAS, the North Richland Hills City Council desires to adopt the 2018 International Plumbing Code with amendments recommended by the North Central Texas Council of Governments and other local amendments in order to better provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents, businesses and their property, as well as all occupants and users of buildings and structures within the community; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of North Richland Hills to update its building codes every six years; and

WHEREAS, updated codes benefit North Richland Hills citizens by establishing consistency of code adoptions with other local jurisdictions; ensuring the best rating possible by the Insurance Services Organization (ISO); Contributes to the city's good standing in FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS) which enables discounted flood insurance rates for our residents; and

WHEREAS, the North Richland Hills Construction Code Appeals Board acting in its capacity as the Construction Advisory Board on September 12th, 2019

reviewed and unanimously recommended the adoption of the 2018 International Plumbing Code with the amendments recommended by the North Central Texas Council of Governments and other local amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: The City Council hereby finds the recitals above to be true and correct, and such recitals are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance as if written herein.

SECTION 2: THAT Section 98-373 of the North Richland Hills Code of Ordinances be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 98-373. International Plumbing Code adopted.

The International Plumbing Code, 2018 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., as amended by the recommended amendments of the North Central Texas Council of Governments, as further modified by the city technical code committee, a copy of which is on file in the office of the city secretary, is hereby adopted by reference and designated as the mechanical code of the city, the same as though such code were copied at length herein.

SECTION 3: THAT Section 98-374 of the North Richland Hills Code of Ordinances be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 98-374. Amendments to the International Plumbing Code.

The following sections, paragraphs, and sentences of the 2018 International Plumbing Code are hereby amended as follows:

**** Section 102.8; change to read as follows:**

102.8 Referenced codes and standards. The codes and standards referenced herein shall be those that are listed in Chapter 15 and such codes, when specifically adopted, and standards shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference. Where differences occur between provisions of this code and the referenced standards, the provisions of this code shall apply. Whenever amendments have been adopted to the referenced codes and standards, each reference to said code and standard shall be considered to reference the amendments as well. Any reference to NFPA 70 or the ICC *Electrical Code* shall mean the Electrical Code as adopted.

****Section 106.2.; change to read as follows:**

106.2 Exempted work. The following work shall be exempt from the requirement for a permit:

1. The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe provided, however, that if any concealed trap, drainpipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work and a permit shall be obtained and inspection made as provided in the code.
2. The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures, and the removal and reinstallation of water closets, provided such repairs do not involve or required the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.
3. An irrigation system that is an on-site sewage disposal system, as defined by Section 355.002, of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
4. An irrigation system used on or by an agricultural operation as defined by Section 251.002, Texas Agriculture Code.
5. An irrigation system connected to a groundwater well used by the property owner for irrigation uses.

****Sections 106.6.2 and 106.6.3; change to read as follows:**

106.6.2 Fee schedule. The fees for all plumbing work shall be as indicated in Appendix A, FEE Schedule, of the North Richland Hills Code of Ordinances and as adopted by the North Richland Hills City Council.

106.6.3 Fee Refunds. The code official shall establish a policy or ordinance for authorizing the refunding of fees as follows. *{Delete balance of section}*

****Section 107.2; modify items 1 & 3 to read as follows:**

1. Underground inspections shall be made after trenches or ditches are excavated and bedded, piping installed, and before any backfill is put in place. This shall also include irrigation systems.
3. Final inspection shall be made after the building is complete, all plumbing fixtures are in place and properly connected, and the structure is ready for occupancy. Final inspection shall also be made to all irrigations systems after the backflow device has been installed and tested and all requirements of the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality and Texas Administrative Code Chapter 344 have been completed.

****Section 109; Delete entire section and insert the following:**

**SECTION 109
MEANS OF APPEAL**

109.1 Application for appeal. Any person shall have the right to appeal a decision of the code official to the board of appeals established by article 98-42 of the North Richland Hills Code of Ordinances.

****Section 305; change to read as follows:**

305.1 Protection against contact. Metallic piping, except for cast iron, ductile iron and galvanized steel, shall not be placed in direct contact with steel framing members, concrete or cinder walls and floors or other masonry. Metallic piping shall not be placed in direct contact with corrosive soil. Where sheathing is used to prevent direct contact, the sheathing shall have a thickness of not less than 0.008 inch (8 mil) (0.203 mm) and the sheathing shall be made of approved material. Where sheathing protects piping that penetrates concrete or masonry walls or floors, the sheathing shall be installed in a manner that allows movement of the piping within the sheathing.

****Section 305.4.1; change to read as follows:**

305.4.1 Sewer depth. Building sewers shall be a minimum of 12 inches (304 mm) below grade.

****Section 305.7; change to read as follows:**

305.7 Protection of components of plumbing system. Components of a plumbing system installed within 3 feet along alleyways, driveways, parking garages or other locations in a manner in which they would be exposed to damage shall be recessed into the wall or otherwise protected in an approved manner.

****Section 306; change to read as follows:**

****306.2.4 Plastic sewer and DWV piping installation.** Plastic sewer and DWV piping installed underground shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Trench width shall be controlled to not exceed the outside the pipe diameter plus 16 inches or in a trench which has a controlled width equal to the nominal diameter of the diameter of the piping multiplied by 1.25 plus 12 inches. The piping shall be bedded in 4 inches of granular fill and then backfilled compacting the side fill in 6-inch layers on each side of the piping. The compaction shall be to minimum of 85 percent standard proctor density and extend to a minimum of 6 inches above the top of the pipe.

****Section 312.2; to read as follows:**

312.2 Drainage and vent water test. A water test shall be applied to the drainage system either in its entirety or in sections. If applied to the entire system, all opening in the piping shall be tightly closed, except the highest opening, and the system shall be filled with water to the point of overflow. If the system is tested in sections, each opening shall be tightly plugged except the highest openings of the section under test, and each section shall be filled with water, but no section shall be tested with less than a 5-foot (1524 mm) head of water. In testing successive sections, at least the upper 5 feet (1524 mm) of the next preceding section shall be tested so that no joint of pipe in the building, except the uppermost 5 feet (1524 mm) of the system, shall have been submitted to a test of less than 5-foot (1524 mm) head of water. This pressure shall be held for at least 15 minutes. The system shall then be tight at all points.

****Sections 312.10.1 and 312.10.2; change to read as follows:**

312.10.1 Inspections. Annual inspections shall be made of all backflow prevention assemblies and air gaps to determine whether they are operable. The owner is responsible to ensure that testing is performed.

312.10.2 Testing. Reduced pressure principle backflow preventer assemblies, double check-valve assemblies, pressure vacuum breaker assemblies, reduced pressure detector fire protection backflow prevention assemblies, double check detector fire protection backflow prevention assemblies, hose connection backflow preventers, and spill-proof vacuum breakers shall be tested at the time of installation, immediately after repairs or relocation and at least annually. The testing procedure shall be performed in accordance with applicable local provisions. The building owner is also responsible to ensure that testing is done in accordance with one of the following standards:

{list of standards unchanged}

****Section 314.2.1; change to read as follows:**

314.2.1 Condensate disposal. Condensate from all cooling coils and evaporators shall be conveyed from the drain pan outlet to an approved place of disposal. ... {text unchanged} ... Condensate shall not discharge into a street, alley, sidewalk, rooftop, or other areas so as to cause a nuisance.

****Section 317; add new section to read as follows:**

SECTION 317 LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION

315. Landscape Irrigation. Minimum Standards for Landscape Irrigation Systems. The landscape irrigation rules promulgated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and contained in Chapter 344, Subchapters A, E and F, of the TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, as the same may be from time to time amended, are hereby adopted by reference as the landscape irrigation rules of the City.

****Section 401.1; Replace section to read as follows:**

401.1 Scope. This chapter shall govern the materials, design and installation of plumbing fixtures, faucets and fixture fittings in accordance with the type of *occupancy*, and shall provide for the minimum number of fixtures for various types of occupancies. The provisions of this Chapter coordinate with the provisions of the *Building Code*. Should any conflicts arise between the two chapters, the *Code Official* shall determine which provision applies.

****Section 409.2; change to read as follows:**

409.2 Water connection. The water supply to a commercial dishwashing machine shall be protected against backflow by an air gap or backflow preventer in accordance with Section 608

****Section 413.4; change to read as follows:**

413.4 Required location. Floor drains shall be installed in the following areas.

1. In public coin-operated laundries and in the central washing facilities of multiple family dwellings, the rooms containing automatic clothes washers shall be provided with floor drains located to readily drain the entire floor area. Such drains shall have a minimum outlet of not less than 3 inches (76 mm) in diameter.
2. Commercial kitchens. In lieu of floor drains in commercial kitchens, the code official may accept floor sinks.
3. Public restrooms.

****Add Section 421.7 to read as follows:**

421.7 Test for shower receptors. Shower receptors shall be tested for water tightness by filling with water to the level of the rough threshold. The drain shall be plugged in a

manner so that both sides of pans shall be subjected to the test at the point where it is clamped to the drain.

****Section 424.3; add section to read as follow:**

424.3 Surrounding material. Wall and floor space to a point 2 feet (610 mm) in front of a urinal lip and 4 feet (1219 mm) above the floor and at least 2 feet (610 mm) to each side of the urinal shall be waterproofed with a smooth, readily cleanable, hard, nonabsorbent material.

*****Section 502.3; change to read as follows:**

502.3 Water heaters installed in attics. Attics containing a water heater shall be provided . . . {bulk of paragraph unchanged} . . . side of the water heater. The clear access opening dimensions shall be not less than 20 inches by 30 inches (508 mm by 762 mm) where such dimensions are large enough to allow removal of the water heater. As a minimum, for access to the attic space, provide one of the following:

1. A permanent stair.
2. A pull-down stair with a minimum 300 lb (136 kg) capacity.
3. An access door from an upper floor level.
4. Access Panel may be used in lieu of items 1, 2, and 3 with prior approval of the Code Official due to building conditions.

Exceptions:

1. The passageway and level service space are not required where the appliance is capable of being serviced and removed... {remainder of text unchanged}

****Section 502.6; Add Section 502.6 to read as follows:**

502.6 Water heaters above ground or floor. When the attic, roof, mezzanine or platform in which a water heater is installed is more than eight (8) feet (2438 mm) above the ground or floor level, it shall be made accessible by a stairway or permanent ladder fastened to the building.

Exception: A max 10 gallon water heater (or larger with approval) is capable of being accessed through a lay-in ceiling and a water heater is installed is not more than ten (10) feet (3048 mm) above the ground or floor level and may be reached with a portable ladder.

502.6.1 Illumination and convenience outlet. Whenever the mezzanine or platform is not adequately lighted or access to a receptacle outlet is not obtainable from the main level, lighting and a receptacle outlet shall be provided in accordance with Section 502.1.

****Section 504.6; change to read as follows:**

504.6 Requirements for discharge piping. The discharge piping serving a pressure relief valve, temperature relief valve or combination thereof shall:

1. Not be directly connected to the drainage system.
2. Discharge through an air gap
3. Not be smaller than the diameter of the outlet of the valve served and shall discharge full size to the air gap.
4. Serve a single relief device and shall not connect to piping serving any other relief device or equipment.

Exception: Multiple relief devices may be installed to a single T & P discharge piping system when approved by the administrative authority and permitted by the manufactures installation instructions and installed with those instructions.

5. Discharge to an approved location.
6. Discharge in a manner that does not cause personal injury or structural damage such as a garage floor.
7. Discharge to a termination point that is readily observable by the building occupants.
8. Not be trapped.
9. Be installed so as to flow by gravity.
10. Terminate not more than 6 inches above and not less than two times the discharge pipe diameter above the floor or flood level rim of the waste receptor.
11. Not have a threaded connection at the end of such piping.
12. Not have valves or tee fittings.
13. Be constructed of those materials listed in Section 605.4 or materials tested, rated and approved for such use in accordance with ASME A112.4.1.
14. Be one nominal size larger than the size of the relief valve outlet, where the relief valve discharge piping is installed with insert fittings. The outlet end of such tubing shall be fastened in place

****Section 504.7.1; change to read as follows:**

Section 504.7.1 Pan size and drain to read as follows: The pan shall be not less than 1 1/2 inches (38 mm) in depth and shall be of sufficient size and shape to receive all dripping or condensate from the tank or water heater. The pan shall be drained by an indirect waste pipe having a diameter of not less than 3/4 inch (19 mm). Piping for safety pan drains shall be of those materials listed in Table 605.4. Multiple pan drains may terminate to a single discharge piping system when approved by the administrative authority and permitted by the manufactures installation instructions and installed with those instructions.

****Section 604.4; add Section 604.4.1 to read as follows:**

604.4.1 State maximum flow rate. Where the State mandated maximum flow rate is more restrictive than those of this section, the State flow rate shall take precedence.

****Section 604.8; add Section 604.8.3 to read as follows:**

604.8.3 Thermal expansion control. An expansion tank or approved device shall be installed for the water heater with the addition of a pressure reducing valve or regulator creating a closed system.

****Amend to Section 605.4 read as follows:**

605.4 Water distribution pipe. {Original section to remain unchanged} {Add following text} When utilized, non-metallic pipe, tubing, or similar water distribution piping shall be installed in strict conformance with the manufacture's installation instructions, nationally recognized evaluation reports, and all policies and procedures established by the building official. An additional form of electrical grounding shall be provided and installed in accordance with the electrical code whenever non-metallic water distribution materials are utilized.

****Section 606.2; change to read as follows:**

606.2 Location of shutoff valves. Shutoff valves shall be installed in the following locations:

1. On the fixture supply to each plumbing fixture other than bathtubs and showers in one- and two-family residential occupancies, and other than in individual sleeping units that are provided with unit shutoff valves in hotels, motels, boarding houses and similar occupancies.
2. On the water supply pipe to each appliance or mechanical equipment.

****Section 608.1; change to read as follows:**

608.1 General. A potable water supply system shall be designed, installed and maintained in such a manner so as to prevent contamination from non-potable liquids, solids or gases being introduced into the potable water supply through cross-connections or any other piping connections to the system. Backflow preventer applications shall conform to applicable local regulations, Table 608.1, and as specifically stated in Sections 608.2 through 608.16.10.

****Section 608.16.5; change to read as follows:**

608.17.5 Connections to lawn irrigation systems. The potable water supply to lawn irrigation systems shall be protected against backflow by an atmospheric-type vacuum breaker, a pressure-type vacuum breaker, a double-check assembly or a reduced pressure principle backflow preventer. A valve shall not be installed downstream from an atmospheric vacuum breaker. Where chemicals are introduced into the system, the potable water supply shall be protected against backflow by a reduced pressure principle backflow preventer.

****Section 608.17; change to read as follows:**

608.18 Protection of individual water supplies. An individual water supply shall be located and constructed so as to be safeguarded against contamination in accordance with applicable local regulations. Installation shall be in accordance with Sections 608.17.1 through 608.17.8.

****Section 703.6; Delete**

****Section 704.5; added to read as follows:**

704.5 Single stack fittings. Single stack fittings with internal baffle, PVC schedule 40 or cast iron single stack shall be designed by a registered engineer and comply to a national recognized standard

****Section 712.5; add Section 712.5 to read as follows:**

712.5 Dual Pump System. All sumps shall be automatically discharged and, when in any “public use” occupancy where the sump serves more than 10 fixture units, shall be provided with dual pumps or ejectors arranged to function independently in case of overload or mechanical failure. For storm drainage sumps and pumping systems, see Section 1113.

****Section 713, 713.1; change to read as follows:**

SECTION 713 ENGINEERED DRAINAGE DESIGN

713.1 Design of drainage system. The sizing, design and layout of the drainage system shall be designed by a registered engineer using approved design methods.

****Section 802.4.3; add a sentence to the end of the paragraph to read as follows:**

802.4.3 Standpipes. Standpipes shall be... {text unchanged} ...drains for rodding. No standpipe shall be installed below the ground.

****Section 803.3; added to read as follows:**

803.3 Special waste pipe, fittings, and components. Pipes, fittings, and components receiving or intended to receive the discharge of any fixture into which acid or corrosive chemicals are placed shall be constructed of CPVC, high silicone iron, PP, PVDF, chemical resistant glass, or glazed ceramic materials.

****Section 903.1; change to read as follows:**

903.1 Roof extension. Open vent pipes that extend through a roof shall terminate not less than six (6) inches (152 mm) above the roof. Where a roof is to be used for assembly or as a promenade, observation deck, sunbathing deck or similar purposes, open vent pipes shall terminate not less than 7 feet (2134 mm) above the roof.

****Section 904.3; change to read as follows:**

904.3 Vent termination. Every vent stack or stack vent shall terminate outdoors to the open air.

Exception: When approved by the code official in existing construction only, stack-type air admittance valves may be utilized in accordance with Section 918.

****Section 915.1; change to read as follows:**

915.1 Type of fixture. A combination drain and vent system shall not serve fixtures other than floor drains, floor sinks and indirect waste receptors. Combination drain and vent systems shall not receive the discharge from a food waste grinder or clinical sink.

****Section 917 Single stack vent system. Delete entire section.**

****Section 918.1; add two new sentences to beginning of section as follows:**

918.1 General. Vent systems using air admittance valves shall only be installed when conditions exist that would prevent the venting methods prescribed in sections 901 through 917 and when approved by the building official. Air admittance valves shall not be used in new construction or as an alternate to sections 901 through 917. When approved, vent systems using *air admittance* valves shall comply... {remainder of section unchanged}.

****Section 918.8; change to read as follows.**

918.8 Where permitted. In existing construction, individual, branch and circuit vents shall be permitted to terminate with a connection to an individual or branch-type air admittance valve in accordance with Section 918.3.1. In existing construction, stack vents and vent stacks shall be permitted to terminate to stack-type air admittance valves in accordance with Section 918.3.2. Air admittance valves shall only be installed with the prior approval of the building official. In new construction, air admittance valves shall be prohibited.

****Section 1003.3.1; change to read as follows:**

1003.3.1 Grease interceptors and automatic grease removal devices required. A grease interceptor, or an automatic grease removal device that has been approved by the North Richland Hills Consumer Health Department, shall be required to receive the drainage from fixtures and equipment with grease-laden waste located in food preparation areas, such as in restaurants, hotel kitchens, hospitals, school kitchens, bars, factory cafeterias and clubs. Fixtures and equipment shall include pot sinks, premise sinks; soup kettles or similar devices; wok stations; floor drains, hand sinks, or sinks into which kettles are drained; automatic hood wash units and dishwashers without premise sinks. Grease interceptors and automatic grease removal devices shall receive waste only from fixtures and equipment where fats, oils or grease can be discharged. All grease traps shall be required to be installed on the exterior of the building or lease space they serve. Where lack of space or other constraints prevent the installation or replacement of a grease interceptor at the exterior of the building, one or more grease interceptors may be permitted to be installed on or above the floor near the fixture(s) being served when approved by the building official and the North Richland Hills Consumer Health Department.

****Section 1003.3.5; change to read as follows:**

1003.3.5. Hydromechanical grease interceptors and automatic grease removal devices. When approved by the building official and the North Richland Hills Consumer

Health Department, hydromechanical grease interceptors and automatic grease removal devises {remainder of section unchanged}.

****Section 1003.3.5.1; changed to read as follows:**

1003.3.5.1 Grease interceptor capacity. Grease interceptors shall have the grease retention capacity indicated in Table 1003.3.4.1 for the drainage fixture units (DFU's) indicated.

Exception: Engineered designs may be approved by the building official

****Table 1003.3.5.1; replace table with the following:**

**TABLE 1003.3.4.1
CAPACITY OF GREASE INTERCEPTORS**

DFU's	Pipe Size	Slope	Flow	Cal. Size	Nominal
8	2"	2%	10 gpm	300 gal	500 gal
35	3"	2%	29 gpm	870 gal	1000 gal
172	4"	1%	44 gpm	1320 gal	1500 gal
216	4"	2%	62 gpm	1860 gal	2000 gal
342	5"	1%	80 gpm	2400 gal	3000 gal
428	5"	2%	120 gpm	3600 gal	4000 gal
576	6"	1%	140 gpm	4200 gal	5000 gal
720	6"	2%	190 gpm	5700 gal	7500 gal

****1003.3.6; change to read as follows:**

1003.3.6 Automatic grease removal devises. When approved by the North Richland Hills Consumer Health Department, where automatic grease removal devices are installed, {remainder unchanged}

****1003.3.7; change to read as follows:**

1003.3.7 Gravity grease interceptors and approved gravity interceptors with fats, oils, and grease disposal systems. In addition to meeting capacity requirements of Table 1003.3.4.1, the required capacity of gravity grease interceptors and approved gravity interceptors with fats, oils, and grease disposal systems, shall be determined {remainder unchanged}.

****1003.3.9; add section to read as follows:**

1003.3.9 Grease sampling wells. All grease interceptors installed on the exterior of a building or lease space shall provide a test sampling well containing a 24 inch diameter lid downstream of the interceptor per the Public Works Design Manual.

****Section 1106.1; change to read as follows:**

1106.1 General. The size of the vertical conductors and leaders, building storm drains, building storm sewers, and any horizontal branches of such drains or sewers shall be based on six (6) inches per hour rainfall rate.

*****Section 1108.3; change to read as follows:**

1108.3 Sizing of secondary drains. Secondary (emergency) roof drain systems shall be sized in accordance with Section 1106. Scuppers shall be sized to prevent the depth of ponding water from exceeding that for which the roof was designed as determined by Section 1101.7. Scuppers shall not have an opening dimension of less than 4 inches (102 mm). The flow through the primary system shall not be considered when sizing the secondary roof drain system.

****Section 1109; delete this section.**

****Section 1202.1; delete Exceptions 1 and 2.**

SECTION 4: Any person intentionally, knowingly, recklessly, or with criminal negligence violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined an amount not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000). Each day any such violation shall be allowed to continue shall constitute a separate violation and be punishable hereunder.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills, except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such Code, in which event conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such Code are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6: All rights and remedies of the City of North Richland Hills are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any ordinances in the Code of Ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills that 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 7: It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 8: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

AND IT IS SO ORDAINED.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 14th day of October, 2019.

CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS

By: _____
Oscar Trevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Richardson, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Maleshia B. McGinnis, City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Clayton Comstock, Director of Planning