

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION (RCA)

DEPARTMENT: DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

AGENDA DATE: INTRODUCTION: AUGUST 19, 2008
 PUBLIC HEARING: AUGUST 26, 2008

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: ALL

SUBJECT:

An Ordinance to amend Title 15 (Public Services) to amend Chapter 15.08 (Street Rentals), Section 15.08.120 (Special Privilege Licenses), relating to duties assigned to the Development Services Department and the duties of the staff; the penalty being as provided in Sections 15.08.125 and 1.08.010 – 1.08.030 of the El Paso City Code.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

This ordinance would amend section 15.08.120 relating to the existing duties of the building permits and inspections director and the planning director regarding the issuance of special privileges. This ordinance would change terms within the section assigning duties to the directors of planning and building permits and inspections, and change them to the development services department and the director of that department, as appropriate. These revisions are needed in conjunction with the reorganization of the Development Services Department. In 2005, the City changed to the Council Manager form of government and also created the Development Services Department as an oversight department for the Planning and Building Permits and Inspections Departments. The Charter amendments approved in 2007 gave the City Manager greater delegation authority, and as a result it is no longer necessary to maintain these departments as separate departments, and Planning and Building Permits and Inspections are being designated as divisions within the Development Services Department. Accordingly, it is necessary to amend all of the Code provisions, such as this provision, which specifically refers to the directors of the Planning and the Building Permits and Inspections Departments.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

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*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: *Victor Q. Torres*
Victor Q. Torres, Development Services Director

OTHER: _____
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Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA: _____

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 15 (PUBLIC SERVICES) TO AMEND CHAPTER 15.08 (STREET RENTALS), SECTION 15.08.120 (SPECIAL PRIVILEGE LICENSES), RELATING TO DUTIES ASSIGNED TO THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE DUTIES OF THE STAFF; THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 15.08.125 AND 1.08.010 – 1.08.030 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, the structure of the bureaus of the Planning Department and the Building Permits and Inspections Department is being changed to make these units divisions of the Development Services Department; and

WHEREAS, various provisions in the City Code relating to the Planning Department, the Building Permits and Inspections Department, the building official and the department directors need to be amended to reflect the change in structure and titles.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Section 1. That Chapter 15.08 (Street Rentals), Section 15.08.120 (Special Privilege Licenses), of the El Paso City Code, is amended to change the phrase “deputy director for building services” as amended by ordinances nos. 15189 and 16135, to “director of the development services department or his designee”, as used within this section.

Section 2. That Chapter 15.08 (Street Rentals), Section 15.08.120 (Special Privilege Licenses), of the El Paso City Code, is amended to change the phrases “deputy director of the planning department” and “deputy director, planning or that person’s designee” to “director of the development services department or his designee”, as used within this section.

Section 3. That Chapter 15.08 (Street Rentals), Section 15.08.120 (Special Privilege Licenses), of the El Paso City Code, is amended to change the phrase “building permits and inspections department” to “development services department” as used within this section.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect on September 1, 2008.

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Section 5. Except as herein amended, Title 15 of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED THIS 26th day of August 2008.

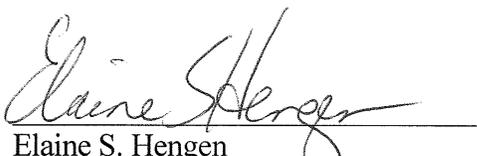
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John F. Cook, Mayor

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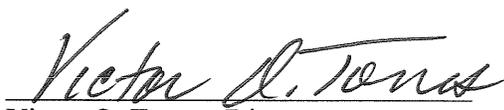
Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Elaine S. Hengen
Senior Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Victor Q. Torres, Director
Development Services Department