ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 18 (BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION), CHAPTER 18.28 (EXISTING BUILDING CODE), OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE, BY ADDING SECTION 18.28.060 (PLUMBING REPAIRS) TO HELP PREVENT PIPES FROM FREEZING DURING SEVERE WEATHER, THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 18.02.107 (VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, the 2009 edition of the International Existing Building Code has been published; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2010, the City Council for the City of El Paso through Ordinance No. 017420, adopted the 2009 International Existing Building Code together with the local amendments appropriate for the City of El Paso; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of El Paso desires to further amend the 2009 International Plumbing Code by adding additional local amendments appropriate for the City of El Paso.

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

Section 1. That Title18 (Building and Construction), Chapter 18.28 (Existing Building Code), Section 18.28.060 (Section 509.1.1 Plumbing repairs) of the El Paso City Code, be added to read as follows:

18.28.060 Section 509.1.1 Plumbing repairs, added.
International Existing Building Code, 2009 Edition, Section 509.1.1 Plumbing repairs, is hereby added to read as follows:

509.1.1 Plumbing repairs.
Plumbing repairs include:

a. Repairs to service entrance materials shall be made with cross linked polyethylene, also known as PEX, or approved equal, or
b. Installation shall be within an approved, heated valve protective enclosure, also known as "hot box".
c. Repairs to exterior plumbing will be required to adhere to the currently adopted Plumbing Code.

Section 2. The effective date of this ordinance shall be the date signed by the Mayor for the City of El Paso. This ordinance shall be applicable to all permit applications received on or after that date.

Section 3. Except as herein provided, Title 18 (Building and Construction) shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2011.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

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John F. Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Cynthia Osborn
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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R. Alan Shubert, P.E.
City Engineer