

CITY OF HUMBLE

ORDINANCE NO. 15-765

ORDINANCE 15-765 AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS, BY CREATING A NEW SECTION 12-407 IN CHAPTER 12 "BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS", ARTICLE XI, "COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND PROPERTIES", SECTION 407 "HOTELS AND MOTELS"; PROVIDING FOR A FINE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 A DAY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE AND MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE TEXAS:

SECTION 1. A new section 12-407 Hotels and Motels in Article XI, Commercial Buildings and Properties in Chapter 12, Building and Building Regulations of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Humble, Texas is hereby created as follows:

**Sec. 12-407 – Hotels and Motels**

- (a) The following requirements apply to hotels and motels permitted for new construction after December 1, 2015:
  - (1) *Number of rooms.* A hotel or motel shall have at least 65 guest rooms
  - (2) *Accessibility.* A guest room shall be accessible only from an internal hallway and the internal hallway shall be accessible only from a central lobby area contained within the hotel/motel.
  
- (b) After January 1, 2015, the following requirements apply to all hotels and motels.
  - (1) *Registration.* When a guest arrives for registration, the guest shall provide at least two forms of identification, one of which shall include photographic likeness of the guest and be issued by a governmental agency. The hotel operation shall keep the guest registration information on the premises of the hotel for at least 90 days.
  - (2) *Security Cameras* A hotel/motel shall install and maintain, in proper operating order, security cameras in each interior hallway and lobby, in the parking lots, and at each exterior door. The cameras shall be placed so as to provide visibility to the front and rear exteriors of the building and to the swimming pool area, if any. Monitors shall be provided for security and other hotel/motel personnel so that on-site activities may be viewed at all times. The security cameras shall be equipped with recording devices capable under normal lighting and operating conditions of producing reasonable photographic images of the persons in the specified areas. Video recordings from security cameras shall be operating 24 hours a day and shall be kept a minimum of 30 days.
  - (3) *Exterior Doors* Exterior doors (other than lobby doors) shall be locked after 11.00 p.m. and shall be equipped with an alarm or other device that will alert hotel/motel security and other personnel when the door has been opened.

(c) Enforcement and Penalty

(1) *Penalty* Whenever said official finds an environment and/or operations contrary to the provisions of this Article, a written notice stating the nature of the violation shall be served by the City in writing; providing ten (10) days for the satisfactory correction thereof. The offender, shall, within the period of time stated in such notice, permanently cease all violations. If the offender continues any violation after the expiration of the time stated, said offender shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$2,000 00 each day in which any violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense

SECTION 3 In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part of provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, and the City Council of the City of Humble, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

SECTION 4 Upon the passage of this ordinance, the City Secretary is ordered to publish this Ordinance in accordance with the provisions of Article II Section 13 of the Charter of the City of Humble and to note on this Ordinance and on the record thereof the fact that this Ordinance has been published as required by the Charter, including the date of such publication.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 12 day of NOVEMBER, 2015

APPROVED

Merle Aaron  
Merle Aaron  
Mayor

ATTEST

Jason Stuebe  
Jason Stuebe  
City Secretary



~~THIS ORDINANCE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 13 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE TEXAS ON:~~ 11/18/15

ATTEST

Jason Stuebe  
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City Secretary



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