

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER DATED AUGUST 25, 2017 FOR HURRICANE HARVEY AND EXTENDING THE DISASTER PERIOD THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2, 2017 FOR EMERGENCY DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, by the Declaration of Disaster issued on August 25, 2017 by the Mayor declaring a state of disaster for the City of Deer Park, Texas, based upon the arrival of Hurricane Harvey and unprecedented flooding, and

WHEREAS, the City of Deer Park was impacted by Hurricane Harvey and sustained widespread and severe economic and social disruption due to the extreme flooding; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK:

Section 1: That all matter and facts set forth in the recitals herein above are found to be true, and such recitals are hereby approved and made a part of this Ordinance for all purposes and are adopted as findings by the City Council of the City of Deer Park, Texas.

Section 2: That the City Council of Deer Park ratifies the Mayor's Declaration of Disaster, and hereby extends the disaster period until September 2, 2017 for Emergency Debris Removal.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Section 4: It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code of the State of Texas.

Section 5: The City Council finds that this Ordinance relates to the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare in that the Declaration of Disaster be ratified at the earliest possible moment to comply with State Law, and to provide protection for persons within the City, thereby creating an emergency, for which the Charter requirement providing for the reading of ordinances on

three (3) several days should be dispensed with, and this Ordinance be passed finally on its introduction; and accordingly, such requirement is dispensed with, and this Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the City Charter, this Ordinance was introduced before the City Council of the City of Deer Park, Texas, **passed, approved and adopted** on this _____ day of _____, 2017, by a vote of _____ “Ayes” and _____ “Noes”.

MAYOR, City of Deer Park, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED:

City Attorney