

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 16-42

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE WAIVING AND SUSPENDING ANY AND ALL PERMIT FEES REQUIRED BY THE LIVINGSTON PARISH PERMIT OFFICE REGARDING THE REMODEL OR REBUILDING OF ANY COMMERCIAL BUILDING OR STRUCTURE, ANY RESIDENTIAL BUILDING OR STRUCTURE, OR ANY PERMIT FEES REQUIRED TO SETUP MANUFACTURED HOMES IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECENT HISTORICAL FLOOD THAT STRUCK LIVINGSTON PARISH.

WHEREAS, as a result of the recent historical flood which struck Livingston Parish in August of 2016, thousands of people have been impacted. Businesses and residential structures have been severely damaged. In response to the Emergency created by the Historical Flooding, and to aid in the recovery and rebuilding of Livingston Parish Businesses and Homes, any and all permit fees required by Livingston Parish regarding the remodel or rebuilding of any commercial building or structure, any residential building or structure, or any permit fees required to setup a manufactured home on residential property shall be waived or suspended for a period of six months for businesses and homes directly impacted by the flood waters. This ordinance shall be reviewed before the expiration of said ordinance and extended by the Livingston Parish Council if necessary. This natural disaster constitutes an extraordinary emergency as defined in La. R.S. 42:6.1(A)(5).

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Livingston Parish Council in legal session convened, pursuant to Section 2-14 of the Home Rule Charter for the Parish of Livingston, that this Emergency Ordinance for the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana, is hereby enacted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. During the period of time in which this Emergency Ordinance is in force, and only during such period of time, all permit fees required by Livingston Parish regarding the remodel or rebuilding of any commercial building or structure, any residential building or structure, or any permit fees required to setup a manufactured home on residential property, shall be waived or suspended according to the following parameters:

1. Permits must be obtained through the Livingston Parish Permit Office, and are non-transferable.
2. Permit fees are waived or suspended for a period of six months for businesses and homes directly impacted by the flood waters.

ARTICLE 2. Be it further ordained that this Emergency Ordinance shall become effective on the date on which it is signed by Livingston Parish President Layton Ricks, or, in the case of a veto, immediately upon re-adoption by the favorable vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized membership of the governing authority irrespective of the veto, and shall continue in force for a period of sixty (60) days.

ARTICLE 3. Be it further ordained that during the period of time that this Emergency Ordinance is in force, this Emergency Ordinance shall prevail and control over all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Emergency Ordinance.

ARTICLE 4. Be it further ordained that if any provision of this Emergency Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or application, and to this end the provisions of this Emergency Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

ARTICLE 5. Be it further ordained that the Council Clerk be and she is hereby instructed, authorized and directed to have said Emergency Ordinance published one time in the official journal for the Parish of Livingston.

Said Emergency Ordinance having been introduced and moved for adoption on the 8th day of September, on motion of Shane Mack and duly seconded by Jeff Ard, a record vote was taken and the following result was had:

YEAS: MR. LOBELL, MR. AVERETT, MR. MACK, MR. ARD, MR. WASCOM,  
MR. HARRIS, MR. TALBERT, MR. KEEN

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: MR. GIRLINGHOUSE

And the emergency ordinance was declared adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September.

John Wascom /s/  
John Wascom, Council chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy C. Teal /s/

Sandy C. Teal, Council clerk

APPROVED BY

Layton Ricks /s/

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Layton Ricks, Parish President