

ORDINANCE - 162

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS, IMPOSING A FEE FOR WOOD CHIPPING SERVICES; PROVIDING REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE PLACEMENT, LOCATION, AND SIZE OF LIMBS; GRANTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR THE POWER OF AUTHORITY TO WAIVE THE FEE; CONTAINING, FINDINGS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ANY INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES, RULES, REGULATIONS, POLICIES OR PRACTICES.

WHEREAS, it is the practice of some residents of the City of Wallis, Texas to put tree limbs cut for trash pick-up; and

WHEREAS, the City has in the past, without charge, provided the service of picking up said tree limbs and

WHEREAS, due of the high cost of the service and because it is used only by some residents, there is a need to impose a fee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the city council of the City of Wallis, Texas

SECTION 1. The facts and recitations set forth in the preamble of this ordinance are hereby found to be true and correct.

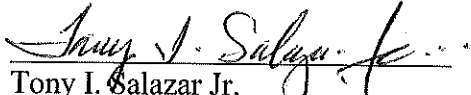
SECTION 2. The first ten (10) minutes of weekly wood chipping service will be free of charge. Thereafter, a charge of seventy cents (\$0.70) per minute of fraction thereof, which is equivalent to forty-two dollars (\$42.00) per hour, will be charged. A log of billable time will be maintained by the operator of the wood chipping equipment and the charges for such service will be billed by the city on a monthly basis. Said bills will be placed in the U.S. mail, addressed to the resident, on or before the first (1st) day of the month following use of city's wood chipping service, and will be due and payable on or before the tenth (10th) day of such month. If payments are not received by the city on or before the tenth (10th) day of the month, the resident will incur an additional late charge of ten percent (10%) of the unpaid balance.

SECTION 3. The maximum limb size to be picked up for wood chipping service by the city will be ten (10) inches in diameter. All limbs must be neatly stacked and will be picked up at the same location where trash is regularly picked up.

SECTION 4. The City Administrator shall have and is hereby granted, the power and authority to waive the fee in the event of a windstorm where widespread limb damage occurs throughout the City of Wallis and in other special circumstances on a individual case basis.

SECTION 5. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent herewith are, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, hereby repealed.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the city council on the City of Wallis, Austin County, Texas on this the 16th day of **July, 2008.**


Tony I. Salazar Jr.
Mayor