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Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan
Zapata County Clerk
Zapata County, TX

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION ORDINANCE

AUTOMOBILE WRECKING AND SALVAGE YARDS

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

WHEREAS, the County of Zapata is authorized to exercise "Type A" general law ordinance making powers pursuant to Section 81.033 of the Texas Local Government Code and by virtue of the approval at an election in the County for that purpose;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ZAPATA, TEXAS:

Sec. 001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) "Automotive wrecking and salvage yard" means an outdoor place where a person stores three or more vehicles for the purpose of dismantling or wrecking the vehicles to remove parts for sale or for use in automotive repair or rebuilding.

(2) "Junk" means copper, brass, iron, steel, rope, rags, batteries, tires, or other material that has been discarded or sold at a nominal price by a previous owner of the material. The term does not include a wrecked vehicle.

(3) "Junkyard" means a place where a business that owns junk, and is operated to store, buy, or sell junk, keeps all or part of the junk outdoors until the business disposes of the junk.

(4) "Recycling business" means a business primarily engaged in the business of:

(A) converting metal or other material into raw material products that have:

(i) prepared grades; and

(ii) an existing or potential economic value;

(B) using raw material products described by Paragraph (A) in the production of new products; or

(C) obtaining or storing metal or other material for a purpose described by Paragraph (A) or (B).

(5) "Wrecked vehicle" means a discarded, junked, damaged, or worn-out automotive vehicle that is not in a condition to be lawfully operated on a public road.

Sec. 002. INJUNCTION. (a) A person is entitled to an injunction to prohibit a violation or threatened violation of this county ordinance.

(b) The venue for the injunction proceeding is in the County of Zapata in which any part of the junkyard or automotive wrecking and salvage yard is located.

SUBCHAPTER B. SCREENING REQUIREMENTS AND LOCATION

Sec. 021. SCREENING REQUIREMENTS. (a) This section applies to:

(1) an automotive wrecking and salvage yard as defined above;

(2) a junkyard as defined above;

(3) a recycling business.

(b) A person who operates a junkyard or an automotive wrecking and salvage yard shall screen the junkyard or automotive wrecking and salvage yard with a solid barrier fence at least eight feet high. The fence must be painted a natural earth tone color and may not have any sign appear on its surface other than a sign indicating the business name.

Sec. 022. LOCATION OF YARD. (a) A junkyard or an automotive wrecking and salvage yard may not be located:

(1) within 50 feet of the right-of-way of a public street or state highway; or

(2) within 150 feet of the nearest property line of a residence.


(b) A person may not accumulate or stack materials associated with a junkyard or an automotive wrecking and salvage yard higher than eight feet above ground level.

Sec. 024. PENALTY. (a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section .021 or .022 of this ordinance.

(b) An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$500.

(c) Each day a violation continues is a separate offense.

SIGNED and APPROVED on the 15 day of October, 2019.



Joseph Rathmell
Zapata County Judge



Paco Mendoza
Commissioner, Pct. 1



Olga M. Elizondo
Commissioner, Pct. 2

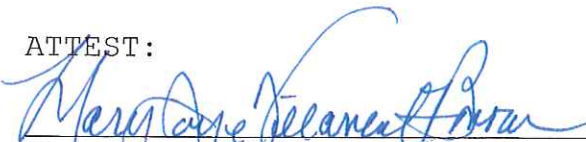


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Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan
County Clerk

