

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12-08 (7)**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKDALE, TEXAS, AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE FEE SCHEDULE, ARTICLE A1.000 BUILDING, DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCES FEES, BY AMENDING THE FEES CHARGED FOR A1.012 VACANT COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE PERMIT, ARTICLE A3.000 OTHER FEES; BY AMENDING THE FEES CHARGED FOR A3.010 LIBRARY; AMENDING AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AND EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council ("Council ") has adopted a master fee schedule that sets forth all fees the city in one location, in Appendix A of the City's Code of Ordinances, for the convenience of citizens and employees; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend Appendix A to keep fees current with today's demands.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKDALE, TEXAS, THAT:**

Section 1. Findings of Fact. The findings and recitations set out herein above are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted by the city Council and made a part hereof for all purposes as findings of fact.

Section 2. Amending Appendix A entitled "Fee Schedule". Appendix A entitled "Fee schedule" Article A1.000 Building, Development and Property Maintenance Fees and Article A3,000 Other Fees, of the Rockdale Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to change the following line items from Sections A1.012 entitled Vacant Commercial & Residential Structure Permit, and A3.010 entitled Library to exhibit A to this ordinance.

Section 3: Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. All ordinances, and sections of the City Code of Ordinances, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict; provided, however, that all other provisions of said ordinance not in conflict herewith shall remain in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this ordinance and any other code or ordinance of the city, the terms and provision of this ordinance shall govern.

Section 4. Severability. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the section, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance should be declared invalid by the final judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, paragraphs or section of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City council without the incorporation of this ordinance of any such invalid phrase clause, sentence paragraph or section. If any provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the invalidity shall not affect

other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council and publication as required by the City Charter and the Texas Government Code.

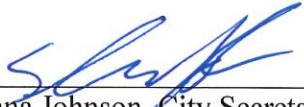
Section 6. Open Meeting Act. It is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that the public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Texas open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** on the first reading on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025

**PASSED AND APPROVED** on second reading on this 8 day of December, 2025

The City of Rockdale

Attest:

  
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Shanna Johnson, City Secretary

  
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Ward Roddam, Mayor

# Appendix "A" FEE SCHEDULE

Sec. A1.012 VACANT COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE PERMIT		
(a)	Annual Registration fee	\$ 750.00
(1)	Ownership for 1 year	\$ 100.00
(2)	Ownership for 2 years	\$ 500.00
(3)	Ownership for 3 years	\$ 1,000.00
(4)	Ownership for 4+ years	\$ 2,000.00
(b)	Inspection charge	\$ 150.00 Biannual inspections

Sec A3.010 LIBRARY		
(a)	Non-resident fee	\$ 6.00 + \$3 per member
(b)	Replacement Card (lost only)	\$ 5.00
(c)	Inter-Library Loan *(Lending library may request for reimbursement)	\$ 3-20.00 Postage & Weight
(d)	Fines:	
(1)	Overdue books	\$ 0.25 per day
(2)	Overdue video/audio tapes	\$ 0.25 per day
(3)	Lost or badly damaged books	\$ 5.00 + cost
(4)	Lost or badly damaged videos, audios, magazines	\$ 5.00 + cost
(5)	Overdue Accelerated Reader & Science Fair books	\$ 0.50 per day
(6)	Overdue Reference and Genealogy books	\$ 1.00 per day
(e)	Electronic Equipment Rentals	
(1)	Overdue by 1-hour	\$ 5.00
(2)	Overdue by 2-hour	\$ 15.00
(3)	Overdue by 3-hour	\$ 25.00
(4)	Overdue by 4-hour	\$ 45.00
(5)	Overdue by 5-hour	\$ 65.00 Total Maximum fine \$65.00
(6)	Lost, Damaged, Repair of Electronic Equipment	\$ 150.00 plus cost
(f)	Copies	

(1)	HP LaserJet Black & White printer copies	\$ 0.25	per page
(2)	HP LaserJet Color printer copies	\$ 1.00	per page
(3)	Scan to Email	Free	

		Staff time (hours)	
Patrol hourly (4 insp.)	\$ 26.74	4	\$ 106.96
City Planner hourly (4 insp.)	\$ 27.80	4	\$ 111.20
Certified notice	\$ 10.00	1	\$ 10.00
City Planner hourly (notices)	\$ 27.80	1	\$ 27.80
			<b>\$ 255.96</b>

		Staff time (hours)	
Patrol hourly (bi-weekly insp)	\$ 26.74	26	\$ 695.24
City Planner hourly (bi-weekly insp.)	\$ 27.80	26	\$ 722.80
Certified notice	\$ 10.00	1	\$ 10.00
City Planner hourly (notices)	\$ 27.80	1	\$ 27.80
			<b>\$ 1,455.84</b>

		Staff time (hours)	
Patrol hourly (monthly insp)	\$ 26.74	12	\$ 320.88
City Planner hourly (monthly insp.)	\$ 27.80	12	\$ 333.60
Certified notice	\$ 10.00	1	\$ 10.00
City Planner hourly (notices)	\$ 27.80	1	\$ 27.80
			<b>\$ 692.28</b>