ORDINANCE NO.

An ordinance amending Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code by amending Sections 101.2, 101.4, 102.3, 104.1.1, 104.6, 104.13, 201.1, 301.1.4, 301.1.5, 301.2.1, 301.4.1, 301.4.3, 301.4.7.6, 301.4.7.7, 302.2.4, 303.2.2, 303.5.1.2, 303.5.1.4.1, 304, 304.5, 305, 306.7, and 505; providing an amended scope, amended referenced codes and standards, definitions, requirements for giving the building official notice of certain repairs, preliminary meeting requirements, alternative requirements, clarifying who may obtain and do work under a permit, a defence to prosecution for certain reroofing projects, requirements for applying for a permit; requirements for a design professional in responsible charge, requirements for a nonregistered professional in responsible charge, phased approval requirements, master permit requirements, fire sprinkler plan requirements, required building inspections, authority for the building official to accept reports from approved inspection agencies, qualification requirements for special inspectors, information that must be contained on a certificate of occupancy, and revised fees for mechanical contractors; providing a penalty not to exceed \$2,000; adding a new Section 301.4.6.3, "Reroofing Permits"; adding a new Section 301.4.7.8, "Contractor Agent In Responsible Charge"; adding a new Section 301.4.7.9, "Alternative Provisions"; adding a new Section 301.4.7.10, "Green Building Standard Documentation"; providing a new Section [A]302.2.5, "Deferred Submittals"; adding a new Section [A]302.2.6, "Amended Construction Documents"; adding a new Section 304.1.5, "Inspection During Declared Disaster"; adding a new Section 304.4.1, "Preliminary Inspection"; adding a new Section 304.13, "Flood Hazard Documentation"; adding a new Section 304.14, "Tiny House Inspections"; providing a saving clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That Subsection 101.2, "Scope," of Section 101, "Title; Scope," of Subchapter 1, "Title and Scope," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"101.2 Scope. The provisions of the chapter apply to the following:

- 1. The Dallas Building Code, Chapter 53 of the Dallas City Code.
- 2. The Dallas Plumbing Code, Chapter 54 of the Dallas City Code.
- 3. The Dallas Mechanical Code, Chapter 55 of the Dallas City Code.
- 4. The Dallas Electrical Code, Chapter 56 of the Dallas City Code.
- 5. The Dallas One- and Two-Family Dwelling Code, Chapter 57 of the Dallas City Code.
- 6. The Dallas Existing Building Code, Chapter 58 of the Dallas City Code.
- 7. The Dallas Energy Conservation Code, Chapter 59 of the Dallas City Code.
- 8. The Dallas Fuel Gas Code, Chapter 60 of the Dallas City Code.
- 9. The Dallas Green Construction Code, Chapter 61 of the Dallas City Code.
- 10. The Dallas Swimming Pool and Spa Code, Chapter 62 of the Dallas City Code.
- <u>11.</u> The *Dallas Fire Code*, Chapter 16 of the *Dallas City Code*, but only to the extent it is being applied to the construction of a building or structure."

SECTION 2. That Subsection 101.4, "Referenced Codes and Standards," of Section 101, "Title; Scope," of Subchapter 1, "Title and Scope," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"101.4 Referenced codes and standards. The codes and standards referenced in this chapter are considered part of the requirements of this chapter to the prescribed extent of each such reference only when such codes and standards have been specifically adopted by the City of Dallas. Whenever amendments have been adopted to the referenced codes and standards, each reference to the codes and standards is considered to reference the amendments as well. Any reference made to NFPA 70 or the ICC Electrical Code means the Dallas Electrical Code, as amended. References made to the International Building Code, International Mechanical Code, the International Plumbing Code, the International Fire Code, the International Energy Conservation Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Existing Building Code, the International Residential Code, [and] the International Green Construction Code and the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code respectively mean the Dallas Building Code, the Dallas Mechanical Code, the Dallas Plumbing Code, the Dallas Fire Code, the Dallas Energy Conservation Code, the Dallas Fuel Gas Code, the Dallas Existing Building Code, the Dallas One- and Two-Family

Dwelling Code, [and] the Dallas Green Construction Code and the Dallas Swimming Pool and Spa Code, as amended. Where differences occur between provisions of this chapter and referenced codes and standards, the provisions of this chapter apply.

101.4.1 Similar provisions in referenced codes and standards. Where the extent of the reference to a referenced code or standard includes subject matter that is within the scope of this chapter or the International Codes listed in Section 101.4, as applicable, the provisions of this chapter or the International Codes listed in Section 101.4 take precedence over the provisions in the referenced code or standard."

SECTION 3. That Subsection 102.3, "Definitions," of Section 102, "Purpose of the Codes," of Subchapter 1, "Title and Scope," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding or amending the following definitions in alphabetical order to read as follows:

"APPLICANT means the person, firm or corporation expected to perform the work in accordance with Section 301 of this chapter. In addition, the applicant is the recognized owner of the permit application for the purposes of the codes and the primary contact for questions and other additional information needed for the purposes of the codes.

CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY means a change as defined in Section 202 of the *Dallas Existing Building Code* [from one occupancy classification to another occupancy classification in a building or tenancy or portion thereof].

CONTRACTOR AGENT IN RESPONSIBLE CHARGE means a contractor engaged by the owner or the owner's authorized agent to construct or install, review and coordinate certain aspects of the construction and installation, as determined by the building official, for compatibility with the city approved documents of the building or structure, including submittal documents prepared by others, deferred submittal documents and phased submittal documents. The contractor agent in responsible charge is responsible for reviewing the completed work prior to the request for applicable inspections.

EXISTING BUILDING means an existing building as defined in Section 202 of the *Dallas Existing Building Code* and a building previously occupied as described in Section 101.4 of the *Dallas Existing Building Code*.

MEANS OF SUBMITTAL means an ideal processing path involving the submission of any of the minimum documents from the first form of an application for a permit to construct or occupy a building or structure to the end user's occupancy or use of the building or structure. The means of submittal consists of seven separate and distinct parts: the intake, the prescreen, the code review, the code approval, the permit issuance, inspections, and the certificate of occupancy issuance. The minimum actions, plans and document needed to satisfy each of the seven parts are often not necessarily be the same.

NONREGISTERED PROFESSIONAL IN CHARGE means a nonregistered professional engaged by the owner or the owner's authorized agent to review and coordinate certain aspects of the project, as determined by the building official, for compatibility with the design of the building or structure, including submittal of documents prepared by others, deferred submittal documents and phased submittal documents. These responsibilities include the review of the means of submittal for compliance with the codes prior to each submission to the building official.

[A] REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL IN RESPONSIBLE CHARGE means a registered design professional engaged by the owner or the owner's agent to review and coordinate certain aspects of the project, as determined by the building official, for compatibility with the design of the building or structure, including submittal documents prepared by others, deferred submittal documents and phased submittal documents.

ROOFING SQUARE means an area equivalent to 100 square feet of roofing material.

SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE means Chapter 62 of the *Dallas City Code* based on the *International Swimming Pool and Spa Code* as adopted by this jurisdiction.

TEMPORARY STRUCTURE means any new structure erected for <u>30</u> [31] days or less."

SECTION 4. That Paragraph 104.1.1, "Structures Other Than One- and Two-Family Dwellings," of Subsection 104.1, "Scope," of Section 104, "Application of the Codes to Existing Structures and Building Service Equipment," of Subchapter 1, "Title and Scope," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"104.1.1 Structures other than one- and two-family dwellings. Except as provided in Section 104.1.2, the *Dallas Existing Building Code* shall apply to the repair, renovation, alteration, reconstruction, change of occupancy, addition, and relocation of existing structures. [A structure or portion of a structure that has not been previously occupied or used for its intended purpose shall comply with the *Dallas Building Code* for new construction.] Repairs, renovations, alterations, reconstruction, change of occupancy, existing structures to which additions are made, historic structures, and relocated structures complying with the provisions of the *Dallas Building Code*, the *Dallas Plumbing Code*, the *Dallas Mechanical Code*, the *Dallas Electrical Code*, the *Dallas Fuel Gas Code*, and the *Dallas Energy Conservation Code*, as applicable, shall be considered in compliance with the provisions of the *Dallas Existing Building Code*."

SECTION 5. That Subsection 104.6, "Maintenance," of Section 104, "Application of the Codes to Existing Structures and Building Service Equipment," of Subchapter 1, "Title and Scope," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"104.6 Maintenance. Structures and parts of structures shall be maintained in a safe and sanitary condition. The provisions of Chapter 27, "Minimum Urban Rehabilitation Standards," of the Dallas City Code shall apply to the maintenance of existing structures and premises; equipment and facilities; light, ventilation, space heating, sanitation, life and safety hazards; responsibilities of owners, operators and occupants; and occupancy of existing premises and structures. All existing devices or safeguards shall be maintained in all existing buildings. The owner or the owner's designated agent shall be responsible for the maintenance of the structure. To determine compliance with this subsection, the building official or other authorized code official shall have the authority to require a building to be reinspected. Except where specifically permitted by this code, the code shall not provide the basis for removal or abrogation of fire protection and safety systems and devices in existing structures.

104.6.1 Repairs. Application or notice to the building official is not required for repairs to structures as listed in Section 301.2 of this chapter, provided that such repairs do not include any of the following:

- 1. The cutting away of any wall, partition, or portion thereof.
- 2. The removal of any structural beam or load-bearing support.
- 3. The removal of any required means of egress or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements.
- 4. Any addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage leader, gas, soil, waste, vent, or simple piping, or electrical wiring.
- 5. Mechanical or other work affecting public health or general safety.

<u>104.6.2 Repair permits.</u> A general repair permit does not authorize any work listed in Section 104.6.1 or any similar work."

SECTION 6. That Subsection 104.13, "Preliminary Meeting," of Section 104, "Application of the Codes to Existing Structures and Building Service Equipment," of Subchapter 1, "Title and Scope," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"104.13 Preliminary meeting for classification of work. A permit applicant is strongly encouraged to meet with the building official to discuss plans for proposed work on, or a proposed change of occupancy to, an existing structure prior to the application for a construction permit in order to establish the specific applicability of the provisions of the *Dallas Existing Building Code* or other applicable codes.

Exception: Repairs [, renovations, and alterations]."

SECTION 7. That Subsection 201.1, "General," of Section 201, "Building Official," of Subchapter 2, "Organization and Enforcement," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"201.1 General. The building official, who shall be appointed by the city manager, shall be in administrative and operational charge of the division of building inspection. The building official must be an architect or engineer legally registered under the laws of this state or have a degree in an associated field of study including public administration, business administration, or law or meet alternative requirements approved by the director. The building official must also have at least 10 years' experience as an architect, engineer, building inspector, building inspection administrator or building contractor, five years of which shall have been in directing the work of others. Preference will be given to candidates certified as a building official by the International Code Council. A candidate who does not possess certification as a building official shall obtain certification within six months after appointment as building official."

SECTION 8. That Paragraph 301.1.4, "Permit Issued to Another Person, Firm, or Corporation," of Subsection 301.1, "Permits Required," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"301.1.4 Permit issued to another person, firm, or corporation. An applicant [person, firm, or corporation] shall not do work by authority of a permit issued to another person, firm, or corporation, except under direct supervision of the person, firm, or corporation to whom the permit was issued."

SECTION 9. That Paragraph 301.1.5, "Obtaining a Permit For Another Person, Firm, or Corporation," of Subsection 301.1, "Permits Required," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"301.1.5 Obtaining a permit for another person, firm, or corporation. An applicant [person, firm, or corporation] shall not obtain a permit for use by another person, firm, or corporation."

SECTION 10. That Paragraph 301.2.1, "Building," of Subsection 301.2, "Defenses," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"301.2.1 Building.

- 1. Painting, papering, paneling, floor coverings, cabinets, moldings, countertops, and similar finish work.
- 2. Erection of one-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses, and similar uses, that are located on property that contains a single family or duplex premises and that do not exceed 200 square feet (18.58 m2) in floor area.
- 3. Erection of one-story detached patio covers with an area less than 200 square feet (18.58 m2) on single-family or duplex premises.
- 4. Addition of storm windows, screens, shutters, rain gutters, or insulation to a building.
- 5. Addition of trim or siding to single-family or duplex premises.
- 6. Erection of fences not serving as a pool enclosure not over four feet high in a front yard, nor over six feet high elsewhere.
- 7. Reroofing if the [value of] work does not exceed the equivalent of two roofing squares or less [\$500].
- 8. Interior remodeling of nonload bearing components of single-family or duplex premises that does not add floor area.
- 9. Erection of movable cases, containers, and partitions not over 69 inches (1,752.6 mm) high.
- 10. Attaching window awnings to exterior walls of single-family homes or single-family garages where the awnings project not more than 54 inches (1,374.6 mm) from any wall.

- 11. Erection of structures, boots, sets, and scenery used for motion pictures, conventions, television shows, theater shows, and similar temporary uses.
- 12. Erection of retaining walls that are not over four feet (1,219 mm) in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, unless the walls are supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II, or IIIA liquids.
- 13. Construction of platforms and decks on property that contains a single-family or duplex premises that do not exceed 200 square feet (18.58 m²) in area, are not more than 30 inches (762 mm) in height above grade at any point, are not attached to a dwelling, are not be located in violation of the clearance of overhead service drop conductors, and do not serve the exit door required by Section R311.4 of the *Dallas One- and Two-Family Dwelling Code*.
- 14. Book exchange structures as defined by Chapter 51A of the *Dallas City Code*.
- 15. Paving or grading on a property that is less than two acres in size and that that is classified as a single-family or duplex premises.
- 16. Erection of freestanding detached carports of 200 square feet (18.58 m²) or less that are accessory to a single-family or duplex premises.
- 17. Excavations less than four feet (1,219 mm) in depth below existing grade.
- 18. Replacement of exterior or interior doors, hinges, hardware, and decorative trim, provided the following conditions are met:
 - 18.1. The replacement door is of the same size and required type.
 - 18.2. The replacement door does not require any modification to existing wall framing.
 - 18.3. The existing door is not a component of a fire-resistive rated construction element.
- 19. Replacement of exterior or interior windows, provided the following conditions are met:
 - 19.1. The replacement window is of the same size, required type, and thickness.
 - 19.2. The replacement window does not require any modification to the existing wall frame or window frames.
 - 19.3. The existing glazing is not a component of a fire-resistive rated construction element.

19.4. The existing glazing is not required to be safety glazed.

Exception: 19.4 is omitted for single-family and duplex premises.

- 20. Erection or installation of shade cloth structures that are constructed for non-commercial nursery or agricultural purposes and that do not include building service equipment or systems.
- 21. Erection or installation of swings and other playground equipment accessory to single-family or duplex premises.
- 22. New construction or renovation work on county owned buildings or facilities if the work is done by county personnel or by county personnel acting as the general contractor. Documentation approved by the building official is required to use this defense. The construction work must comply with the codes and must be inspected by a registered professional engineer or architect licensed in the State of Texas. The population of Dallas County must equal or exceed 3.3 million as listed by the U.S. Census Bureau data for the application of this provision.
- 23. Work involving a structure, the title of which is vested in the United States or the State of Texas and that is devoted exclusively to governmental use.
- 24. Storage racks eight feet (2,438 mm) or less in height.
- 25. Freestanding satellite dishes not exceeding one meter in diameter that do not exceed 12 feet (3,657 mm) in height.
- 26. Installation of prefabricated swimming pools accessory to single-family or duplex premises in which the pool wall is completely above adjacent grade, the pool capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons (18,927 L), and the pool depth is less than 24 inches (610 mm).
- 27. Erection of temporary structures in conjunction with a special events permit issued under Chapter 42A of the *Dallas City Code* that meets all of the following criteria:
 - 27.1. The temporary structures must cover an area of 120 square feet or less, including connecting areas and spaces with a common means of egress or entrance that are used or are intended to be used for a gathering of 10 persons or less.
 - 27.2. The temporary structures must not exceed 12 feet (3,657 mm) in height.

- 27.3. The temporary structures, including stages, platforms, reviewing/observation stands or towers, must not be more than 30 inches (762 mm) above grade or over any basement or story, and cannot be part of an accessible route.
- 28. Conveyances or stages, platforms, or reviewing or observation stands or towers that are part of conveyance mounted equipment.
- 29. Temporary structures that could be considered equipment such as:
 - 29.1. Scaffolding for sound, lighting, or timers.
 - 29.2. Prefabricated platforms.
 - 29.3. Prefabricated bleachers provided that all of the following are met:
 - 29.3.1. Must be less than 6 feet in height.
 - 29.3.2. The bleachers are unroofed.
 - 29.3.3. There are no enclosed spaces under or attached to the bleacher seating.
 - 29.3.4. An approved fire safety plan includes approval of evacuation of the bleacher seating.
 - 29.4. Amusement rides.
- 30. Flagpoles that support an appurtenance weighing less than 150 pounds (68 kg), provided it is not more than 75 feet (22,680 mm) tall if mounted on the ground or not more than 25 feet (7620 mm) taller than the building if mounted on a building.
- 31. A tower under 75 feet (22,860 mm) in height that meets the following conditions:
 - 31.1. Tower structures used primarily for the support of amateur and citizen's band radio or private television antennae.
 - 31.2. Tower structures on real property owned, leased, held or used, or dedicated for use by a public utility for rendering its service, such as tower structures used primarily for the transmission of electrical power by a public utility or the conveyance of communications over a telephone wire-line system operated by a public utility.

- 31.3. High mast tower structures or antennae built on land on, along, or adjacent to streets, roads, highways, and bridges maintained by the state or a political subdivision of the state.
- 31.4. Tower structures constructed or placed on land or other structures owned, leased, held, or dedicated for use by the state or federal government or any political subdivision thereof, which land or other structures are used by the governmental entity primarily for rendering fire, police, or other pubic protection services or utility services whether or not the tower structure is used jointly by the governmental entity and another public or private person or entity for other and additional public or private purposes.
- 32. A work of art.
- 33. Installation of storm shelters accessory to single-family or duplex premises when less than 200 square feet in area with no utilities; not attached to any other structures; and not funded by the local, state or federal government.
- 34. Erection of structures used as tool and storage sheds that do not exceed 200 square feet, raised planting beds, bed covers, and similar structures that are located on property with an urban garden use as defined in the *Dallas Development Code*."

SECTION 11. That Paragraph 301.4.1, "General," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

- "301.4.1 General. To obtain a permit, an applicant shall first file an application in writing on a form furnished for that purpose by the building inspection division. An application must contain the following information:
 - 1. Identification and description of the work to be covered by the permit.
 - 2. Description of the land on which the proposed work is to be done, by street address or similar description that will readily identify and definitely locate the proposed structure or work.
 - 3. Indication of the use or occupancy for which any proposed structure is intended.

- 4. Signature of the applicant or an authorized agent, who may be required to submit evidence to indicate such authority, together with a verification of the truth and correctness of the information in the application.
- 5. Attachment of plans, diagrams, computations, specifications, and other data as required.
- 6. The name, address, and telephone number of the industrialized builder, if applicable.
- 7. Documentation showing proof of a current home repair license in accordance with Article X, Chapter 50, "Consumer Affairs," of the Dallas City Code, if applicable.
- 8. Other information required by the building official necessary for issuance of the permit.
- **301.4.1.1 Information on braced wall design.** For buildings and structures utilizing braced wall design, and where required by the building official, braced wall lines shall be identified on the construction documents. Pertinent information including, but not limited to, bracing methods, location, and length of braced wall panels and foundation requirements of braced wall panels at top and bottom shall be provided.
- 301.4.1.2 Information on site design. Where required by the building official, site drainage details shall be identified on the construction documents. Sufficient information shall be provided to meet the minimum requirements of Section R401.3 and R403.1.7.3 of the *Dallas One- and Two-Family Dwelling Code* and Section 1804.4 and 1808.7.4 of the *Dallas Building Code* in addition to how rain water will be conveyed off the site and discharged in a proper and legal manner.
- [A]301.4.1.3 Exterior wall envelope. Construction documents for all buildings shall describe the exterior wall envelope in sufficient detail to determine compliance with the Dallas Building Code or the Dallas One- and Two-Family Dwelling Code, as applicable. The construction documents shall provide details on the exterior wall envelope as required, including flashing, intersections with dissimilar materials, corners, end details, control joints, intersections at roof, eaves or parapets, means of drainage, water-resistive barrier and details around openings. The construction documents shall include manufacturer's installation instructions that provide supporting documentation that the proposed penetration and opening details described in the construction documents maintain the weather resistance of the exterior wall envelope. The supporting documentation shall fully describe the exterior wall system that was tested, where applicable, as well as the test procedure used.

- [A]301.4.1.4 Exterior balconies and elevated walking surfaces. Where balconies or other elevated walking surfaces have weathered exposed surfaces, and the structural framing is protected by an impervious moisture barrier, the construction documents shall include details for all elements of the impervious moisture barrier system. The construction documents shall include manufacturer's installation instructions.
- [A]301.4.1.5 Type IV buildings. Unless noted otherwise by the building official, for buildings more than four stories in height, an engineering report must be submitted to document and demonstrate that the adequate water supplies, water flows and pressures exist for each specific site. A preliminary report must be provided with the permit submission. The final report must be provided as directed by the building official."
- SECTION 12. That Paragraph 301.4.3, "Excavation Work," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:
 - "301.4.3 Excavation work. In addition to the requirements of Section 301.4.1, an application for a permit to perform excavation work must be accompanied by the following information:
 - 1. Plans showing the extent of the excavation.
 - 2. Specifications of access routes to and from the work site.
 - 3. Specifications of dump sites for the excavation material.
 - 4. Plans and specifications, bearing the seal of an engineer qualified and registered under state law, of retention systems used for the protection of all surrounding public and private property.
 - 5. Signed agreements by the owner of the premises and the person performing the excavation work to:
 - 5.1. Allow city representatives to enter the premises and take whatever action is necessary to make safe an excavation in violation of Section 203.6 of this chapter, with the costs of the city's action to be paid by the owner of the premises or the person performing the excavation work; and

- 5.2. Indemnify the city and its officers and employees against all claims for injury or damage to persons or property arising from an excavation or maintenance of an excavation in violation of Section 203.6 of this chapter.
- 6. Building permit application in all cases where applicable."

SECTION 13. That Subparagraph 301.4.6.3, "Reroofing Permits," of Paragraph 301.4.6, "Other Types of Work," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Item 301.4.6.3.1, "Reroofing Inspections," to read as follows:

"301.4.6.3 Reroofing permits. The building official may require special inspections in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code* to satisfy the construction inspection requirements of this section."

SECTION 14. That Subparagraph 301.4.7.6, "Alternative Provisions," of Paragraph 301.4.7, "Plans and Specifications," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"301.4.7.6 Design professional in responsible charge. Where it is required that documents be prepared by a registered design professional, the building official shall be authorized to require the owner or the owner's authorized agent to engage and designate on the building permit application a registered design professional who shall act as the registered design professional in responsible charge. If circumstances require, the owner or the owner's authorized agent shall designate a substitute registered design professional in responsible charge who shall perform the duties required of the original registered design professional in responsible charge. The building official shall be notified in writing by the owner or the owner's authorized agent if the registered design professional in responsible charge is changed or is unable to continue to perform the duties. The registered design professional in responsible charge shall be responsible for reviewing and coordinating submittal documents prepared by others, including phased and deferred submittal items, for compatibility with the design of the building. [Alternative provisions. When

authorized by the building official, plans and specifications are not required for any of the following:

- 1. A one-story structure of Type V conventional wood-stud construction with an area not exceeding 600 square feet.
- 2. A Group U Occupancy of Type V conventional wood-stud construction.
- 3. Maintenance repairs, minor nonstructural alterations, and minor additional to an existing structure.]"

SECTION 15. That Subparagraph 301.4.7.7, "Green Building Standard Documentation," of Paragraph 301.4.7, "Plans and Specifications," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"301.4.7.7 Nonregistered professional in responsible charge. Where the documents are not prepared by a registered design professional, the building official shall be authorized to require the *owner* or the owner's authorized agent to engage and designate on the building permit application a nonregistered professional who shall act as the *nonregistered professional in responsible charge*. If the circumstances require, the owner or the owner's authorized agent shall designate a substitute nonregistered professional in responsible charge. The building official shall be notified in writing by the owner or the owner's authorized agent if the nonregistered professional in responsible charge is changed or is unable to continue to perform the duties. The *nonregistered professional in responsible charge* shall be responsible for reviewing and coordinating submittal documents prepared by themselves or others, including phased and deferred submittal items, for compatibility with the design of the building. These responsibilities include the review of the means of the submittal for code compliance prior to each submission to the building official. [Green building standard documentation. For construction activity subject to Subchapter 10, an applicant must submit documentation that:

- 1. demonstrates the construction activity will comply with the requirements of Subchapter 10, and
- 2. includes any other documentation the building official deems necessary.

301.4.7.7.1 Acceptable standards. The building official may accept documentation from the most recent versions of any LEED NC (new construction), LEED CS (core and shell), LEED CI (commercial interiors), LEED for schools, LEED for healthcare, LEED for retail, LEED for homes, Green Built Texas, or another approved equivalent.]"

SECTION 16. That Paragraph 301.4.7, "Plans and Specifications," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Subparagraph 301.4.7.8, "Contractor Agent In Responsible Charge," to read as follows:

"301.4.7.8 Contractor agent in responsible charge. The building official shall be authorized to require the owner or the owner's authorized agent to engage and designate on the master permit application a contractor who shall act as the contractor agent in responsible charge. If the circumstances require, the owner or the owner's authorized agent shall designate a substitute contractor agent in responsible charge who shall perform the duties required of the original contractor agent in responsible charge. The building official shall be notified in writing by the owner or the owner's authorized agent if the contractor agent in responsible charge is changed or is unable to continue to perform the duties. The contractor agent in responsible charge shall be responsible for reviewing the completed work prior to the request of the applicable inspections."

SECTION 17. That Paragraph 301.4.7, "Plans and Specifications," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Subparagraph 301.4.7.9, "Alternative Provisions," to read as follows:

"301.4.7.9 Alternative provisions. When authorized by the building official, plans and specifications are not required for any of the following:

- 1. A one-story structure of Type V conventional wood-stud construction with an area of less than 400 square feet.
- 2. A Group U Occupancy of Type V conventional wood-stud construction.

3. Maintenance repairs, minor nonstructural alterations, and minor additional to an existing structure."

SECTION 18. That Paragraph 301.4.7, "Plans and Specifications," of Subsection 301.4, "Application for Permits," of Section 301, "Permits and Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Subparagraph 301.4.7.10, "Green Building Standard Documentation," to read as follows:

"301.4.7.10 Green building standard documentation. For construction activity subject to Subchapter 10, an applicant must submit documentation that:

- 1. demonstrates the construction activity will comply with the requirements of Subchapter 10, and
- 2. includes any other documentation the building official deems necessary.

301.4.7.10.1 Acceptable standards. The building official may accept documentation from the most recent versions of any LEED NC (new construction), LEED CS (core and shell), LEED CI (commercial interiors), LEED for schools, LEED for healthcare, LEED for retail, LEED for homes, Green Built Texas, or another approved equivalent."

SECTION 19. That Paragraph 302.2.4, "Permit For Construction of Part of a Structure," of Subsection 302.2, "Issuance," of Section 302, "Application For and Issuance of Permit; Retention of Plans; Suspension or Revocation; Suspension of Permit Privileges," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"302.2.4 Phased approval [Permit for construction of part of a structure]. The building official is authorized to [may] issue a permit for the construction of foundations or any other part of a building or structure before the entire plans and specifications for the whole building or structure have been submitted or approved if adequate information and detailed statements have been filed complying with all pertinent requirements of this chapter and the codes. The holder of such a permit for the foundation or other parts of a building or structure shall proceed at the holder's own risk with the building operation and without assurance that a [the] permit for the entire structure will be granted."

SECTION 20. That Subsection 302.2, "Issuance," of Section 302, "Application For and Issuance of Permit; Retention of Plans; Suspension or Revocation; Suspension of Permit Privileges," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Paragraph [A]302.2.5, "Deferred Submittals," to read as follows:

"[A]302.2.5 Deferred submittals. Deferral of any submittal items shall have the prior approval of the building official. The registered design professional in responsible charge shall list the deferred submittals on the construction documents for review by the building official. Documents for deferred submittal items shall be submitted to the registered design professional in responsible charge who shall review them and forward them to the building official with a notation indicating that the deferred submittal documents have been reviewed and found to be in general conformance to the design of the building. The deferred submittal items shall not be installed until the deferred submittal documents have been approved by the building official."

SECTION 21. That Subsection 302.2, "Issuance," of Section 302, "Application For and Issuance of Permit; Retention of Plans; Suspension or Revocation; Suspension of Permit Privileges," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Paragraph [A]302.2.6, "Amended Construction Documents," to read as follows:

"[A]302.2.6 Amended construction documents. Work shall be installed in accordance with the *approved construction documents*, and any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the *approved construction documents* shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of *construction documents*."

SECTION 22. That Paragraph 303.2.2, "Master Permit," of Subsection 303.2, "Permit Fees," of Section 303, "Fees," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is to read as follows:

- "303.2.2 Master permit. The master permit shall be issued for all work to be performed on a project, including but not limited to, building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, fire sprinkler, fire alarm, landscaping, [fence, tent,] mechanical refrigeration, [flammable liquid, liquid petroleum,] septic tank, [swimming pool, lawn sprinkler, security system,] paving, grading, health [barricade, excavation, demolition, moving, sign demolition,] and zoning [new sign] work. Any work for which fees are not separately specified in Section 303.5 shall be included in the total valuation of the work, if applicable.
 - 303.2.2.1 Separate trade permit. A separate trade permit shall be issued for the following work to be performed on a project, including but not limited to, barricade, demolition, egress control system, excavation, fence, flammable liquid, lawn sprinkler, liquid petroleum, moving, septic tank, sidewalk waiver, sign demolition, solar systems, swimming pool, and tents. Any work for which fees are not separately specified in Section 303.5 shall be included in the total valuation of the work, if applicable.
 - 303.2.2.2 Permissible separate trade permit. In the absence of a master permit or an active master permit, a single trade permit may be issued for work to be performed on a project, including but not limited to, building, electrical, electric vehicle supply equipment, mechanical, plumbing, fire sprinkler, fire alarm, landscaping, mechanical refrigeration, septic tank, solar photovoltaic, paving, grading, health, and new sign work. Any work for which fees are not separately specified in Section 303.5 shall be included in the total valuation of the work, if applicable."

SECTION 23. That Subparagraph 303.5.1.2, "Fire Sprinkler Plans," of Paragraph 303.5.1, "Plan Reviews," of Subsection 303.5, "Other Fees," of Section 303, "Fees," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"303.5.1.2 Fire sprinkler plans. In addition to any plan review fees required under Sections 303.5.1.1, 303.5.1.3, 303.5.1.4, 303.5.1.5, 303.5.1.6, or 303.5.1.7, a nonrefundable fire or sprinkler plan review fee of \$0.008 for each square foot of sprinklered building area or \$150.00, whichever is greater, shall be paid upon application for any permit for which the building inspection division performs a review of fire sprinkler plans that involve the installation of a new fire sprinkler system, the addition of 20 or more sprinkler heads to an existing fire sprinkler system, or the removal or relocation of 100 or more sprinkler heads in an existing fire sprinkler system.

303.5.1.2.1 Resubmittal fees involving approved fire sprinkler plans. Any resubmittal of approved plans must pay a new plan review fee based on the total number of new or changed elements or devices per building. The cause for resubmittal may be due to, but not limited to, architectural, field, construction, or contractor changes.

- 303.5.1.2.2 Resubmittal fees involving denied fire sprinkler plans. If the city denies a fire sprinkler permit, the first resubmittal of the denied plans is free. Each subsequent resubmittal of denied plans must pay half of the original plan review submittal fee.
- 303.5.1.2.3 Plan review resubmittal fees for fire sprinkler systems. In addition to any plan review fees required under Sections 303.5.1.1, 303.5.1.2, 303.5.1.3, 303.5.1.5, 303.5.1.6, or 303.5.1.7, plans for fire sprinkler systems shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable resubmittal review fee based on the following:
 - 1. \$75 for each fire sprinkler system, per building, with 10 or fewer sprinkler initiating devices or actuation devices.
 - 2. \$100 for each fire sprinkler system, per building, with 11 to 25 sprinkler initiating devices or actuation devices.
 - 3. \$150 for each fire sprinkler system, per building, with 26 to 150 sprinkler initiating devices or actuation devices.
 - 4. \$300 for each fire sprinkler system, per building, with more than 150 sprinkler initiating devices or actuation devices."

SECTION 24. That Item 303.5.1.4.1, "Resubmittal Fees Involving Approved Fire Alarm Plans," of Subparagraph 303.5.1.4, "Plan Review Fees for Fire Alarm Systems," of Paragraph 303.5.1, "Plan Reviews," of Subsection 303.5, "Other Fees," of Section 303, "Fees," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"303.5.1.4.1 Resubmittal fees involving approved fire alarm plans. Any resubmittal of approved plans must pay a new plan review fee based on the total number of new or changed alarm initiating or signaling devices <u>per building</u>. The cause for resubmittal may be due to, but not limited to, architectural, field, construction, or contractor changes."

SECTION 25. That Section 304, "Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is retitled as Section 304, "Jurisdictional Inspections."

SECTION 26. That Subsection 304.1, "General," of Section 304, "Jurisdictional Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Paragraph 304.1.5, "Inspection During Declared Disaster," to read as follows:

"304.1.5 Inspection during declared disaster. In an area of the city that is subject to a declaration of disaster by the governor under Chapter 418 of the *Texas Government Code*, or a declaration of local disaster under Chapter 14B of the *Dallas City Code*, a building inspection may, while the declaration is in effect, be performed by a person:

1. other than:

- 1.1. the owner of the building; or
- 1.2. a person whose work is the subject o the inspection; and

2. who is:

- 2.1.certified to inspect buildings by the International Code Council;
- 2.2.employed as a building inspector by the municipality in which the building is located;
- 2.3.employed as a building inspector by any political subdivision, if the city has approved the person to perform inspections during a disaster; or
- 2.4.an engineer licensed under Chapter 1001 of the Texas Occupations Code.

304.1.5.1 Requirements. A person who performs an inspection under this section must:

- 1. comply with the codes and any regulations and policies adopted by the division of building inspection; and
- 2. not later than the 30th day after the date of the inspection, provide the building official with notice of the inspection.

SECTION 27. That Subsection 304.4, "Approval Required," of Section 304, "Jurisdictional Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Paragraph 304.4.1, "Preliminary Inspection," to read as follows:

"304.4.1 Preliminary inspection. Before issuing a *permit*, the *building official* is authorized to examine or cause to be examined buildings, structures and *sites* for which an application has been filed."

SECTION 28. That Subsection 304.5, "Required Building Inspections," of Section 304, "Jurisdictional Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"304.5 Required building inspections.

304.5.1 Footing and f[F]oundation inspection. Footing and foundation inspections shall [To] be made after excavations [trenches are excavated and forms erected and when all materials] for footings [the foundation] are complete and any required reinforcing steel [installed on the job. Where concrete from a central mixing plant (commonly termed "transit mixed")] is in place. For concrete foundations, any required forms shall be in place prior to inspection. Materials for the foundation shall be on the job, except where concrete is ready mixed in accordance with ASTM C94, the concrete [to be used, materials] need not be on the job.

Exception: Where *special exceptions* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*.

304.5.1.1 Concrete slab and under-floor inspection. Concrete slab and under-floor inspections shall be made after in-slab or under-floor reinforcing steel and building service equipment, conduit, piping accessories, and other ancillary equipment items are in place, but before any concrete is placed or floor sheathing installed, including the subfloor.

304.5.1.2 Lowest floor elevation. In *floor hazard areas*, upon placement of the *lowest floor*, including the *basement*, and prior to further vertical construction, the elevation certification required in Section 1612.4 of the *Dallas Building Code* or the *Dallas One- and Two-Family Dwelling Code*, as applicable, shall be submitted to the *building official* or to the official designated by the *building official*.

- **304.5.2 Rough frame inspection.** To be made after the roof, all framing, fire blocking, and bracing are in place and all pipes, sprinkler risers, chimneys, and vents are complete and the rough electrical, plumbing, heating wires, pipes, and ducts are *approved*. Reinforcing steel or structural framework of any part of any structure shall not be covered or concealed without first obtaining the approval of the building official.
- **304.5.3 Finish frame inspection.** To be made after the rough inspections required by this section for building, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical work are completed and the sprinkler branch piping is installed.
 - 304.5.3.1 Types IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C connection protection inspection. In buildings of Types IV-A, IV-B. and IV-C construction, where connection *fire* resistance ratings are provided by wood cover calculated to meet the requirements of Section 2304.1.1.1 of the *Dallas Building Code*, inspection of the wood cover shall be made after the cover is installed, but before any other coverings or finishes are installed.

Exception: Where *special inspections* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*.

304.5.3.2 Lath, gypsum board, and gypsum panel product inspection. Lath, gypsum board, and gypsum panel product inspections shall be made after lathing, gypsum board, and gypsum panel products, interior and exterior, are in place, but before any plastering is applied or gypsum board and gypsum panel product joints and fasteners are taped and finished.

Exceptions:

- 1. Gypsum board and gypsum panel products that are not part of a fire-resistance rated assembly or a shear assembly.
- 2. Where *special inspections* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*.
- 304.5.3.3 Weather-exposed balcony and walking surface waterproofing. Where balconies or other elevated walking surfaces have weather-exposed surfaces, and the structural framing is protected by an impervious moisture barrier, all elements of the impervious moisture barrier system shall not be concealed until inspected and approved.

Exception: Where *special inspections* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*.

304.5.3.4 Fire- and smoke-resistant penetrations. Protection of joints and penetrations in fire-resistance-rated assemblies, *smoke barriers*, and *smoke partitions* shall not be concealed from view until inspected and *approved*.

Exception: Where *special inspections* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*.

304.5.4 Energy efficiency [Insulation] inspections. Inspections shall [To] be made to determine compliance with Chapter 13 and shall include, but not be limited to, inspections for:

- 1. envelope insulation *R* and *U-values*;
- 2. fenestration U-value;
- 3. duct system R-value; and
- 4. HVAC and water-heating equipment efficiency [after insulation is installed].

Exception: Where *special inspections* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*.

304.5.5 Final inspection. To be made after the ceilings are completed with sprinkler heads, if any, and the structure is completed."

SECTION 29. That Section 304, "Jurisdictional Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Subsection 304.13, "Flood Hazard Documentation," to read as follows:

"304.13 Flood hazard documentation. If located in a *flood hazard area*, documentation of the elevation of the *lowest floor* as required in Section 1612.4 of the *Dallas Building Code* shall be submitted to the *building official* prior to the final inspection."

SECTION 30. That Section 304, "Jurisdictional Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Subsection 304.14, "Tiny House Inspections," to read as follows:

"304.14 Tiny house inspections. Where the work proceeds continuously or offsite, the *building* official shall schedule periodic inspections at an approved location.

Exception: Where *special inspections* are provided in accordance with Section 1705.1.1, Item 4 of the *Dallas Building Code*. Plumbing work must be done and inspected in accordance with Subchapter 4 of this chapter and Chapter 1301 of the *Texas Occupations Code*, as amended."

SECTION 31. That Section 305, "Special Inspections," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 305 SPECIAL INSPECTIONS

- **305.1 General.** Refer to Section 1704 of the *Dallas Building Code*, as amended.
- 305.2 Inspection agencies. The *building official* is authorized to accept reports of *approved* inspection agencies, provided that such agencies satisfy the requirements as to qualifications and reliability.
- 305.3 Special inspectors. Special inspectors must be approved by the *building official* prior to performing any duties. Special inspectors must submit their qualifications and are subject to personal interviews for prequalification. Approved identification, as stipulated by the *building official* must be presented when performing the function of a special inspector. Special inspectors may have no financial interest in projects for which they provide special inspections.
 - **305.3.1 Prequalification.** The prequalification of special inspectors consists of two phases.
 - 305.3.1.1 Phase one. The phase one prequalification of special inspectors involves those required for mass timber construction. Phase one begins on April 13, 2022.
 - 305.3.1.2 Phase two. The phase two prequalification of special inspectors involves all other required special inspections. Phase two begins with the effective date of adoption of the 2021 edition of the *International Building Code*, as amended."
- SECTION 32. That Subsection 306.7, "Certificate of Occupancy," of Section 306, "Certificate of Occupancy," of Subchapter 3, "Permits and Inspections," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"306.7 Certificate of occupancy. A certificate of occupancy must contain the following information:

- 1. The address of the structure or land.
- 2. The name and address of the owner of the structure and land.
- 3. The name and address of the operator of the use or occupancy.
- 4. The use and occupancy, in accordance with the provisions of the Dallas Building Code or the Dallas Existing Building Code, whichever applies, and the Dallas Development Code.
- 5. The certificate of occupancy number.
- 6. The zoning district where the structure of land is located.
- 7. Identification of any required city, county, state, or federal license, permit, or registration to operate the use or occupancy.
- 8. The *permit* number.
- 9. A description of that portion of the structure for which the certificate is issued.
- 10. The name of the *building official*.
- 11. The edition of the code under which the *permit* was issued.
- 12. Any special stipulations and conditions of the building *permit*."

SECTION 33. That Section 505, "Fees," of Subchapter 5, "Registration of Mechanical Contractors," of Chapter 52, "Administrative Procedures for the Construction Codes," of the Dallas City Code is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 505 FEES

- **505.1 General.** No registration fee is required for a mechanical contractor registered under the Texas Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Contractor Licensing Law.
- <u>505.2 Revision to a certificate of registration.</u> [The following nonrefundable fees shall be charged for each certificate of registration issued under the provisions of this subchapter:
 - 1. The registration fee is \$120.00.

2.] The fee for each revision to a certificate of registration is \$30."

SECTION 34. That a person violating a provision of this ordinance, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$2,000.

SECTION 35. That Chapter 52 of the Dallas City Code shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

SECTION 36. That any act done or right vested or accrued, or any proceeding, suit, or prosecution had or commenced in any action before the amendment or repeal of any ordinance, or part thereof, shall not be affected or impaired by amendment or repeal of any ordinance, or part thereof, and shall be treated as still remaining in full force and effect for all intents and purposes as if the amended or repealed ordinance, or part thereof, had remained in force.

SECTION 37. That the terms and provisions of this ordinance are severable and are governed by Section 1-4 of Chapter 1 of the Dallas City Code, as amended.

SECTION 38. That this ordinance shall take effect on May 16, 2022, and it is accordingly so ordained.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CHRISTOPHER J. CASO, City Attorney
By
Assistant City Attorney
Passed