

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-22
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; PROVIDING FOR TEMPORARY HOUSING ON
RESIDENTIAL LOTS; AND, SUSPENDING RULES, REGULATIONS, AND
ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH**

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; PROVIDING FOR TEMPORARY HOUSING ON RESIDENTIAL LOTS; AND, SUSPENDING RULES, REGULATIONS, AND ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City Council officially finds, determines, and declares that a public emergency exists as the result of catastrophic damage inflicted widely upon the city by Hurricane Ike.


SECTION 2. The owner of a dwelling that was rendered uninhabitable as the result of damage caused by hurricane Ike on or about September 13, 2008, may place one (1) motor home or one (1) travel trailer on the same residential lot for the purpose of temporary housing during construction, reconstruction, or repair of the damaged habitation. All connections to utilities shall be in compliance with applicable codes and are further subject to approval by, or additional requirements of, the Building Official. Such temporary housing must be located no closer than five (5) feet from side or back property lines and may be placed in part or whole in front of the front building set back line up to the front property line. The temporary housing may not however extend beyond the property line into the public right of way. No internal combustion engine powered generator shall be used to provide electrical service to the temporary housing when commercial electrical service is available. Each trailer or motor home used as temporary housing must be equipped with a minimum of one (1) readily accessible 5# ABC fire extinguisher and a battery operated smoke detector in working condition mounted in compliance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION 3. The City Council officially finds, determines, recites, and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

SECTION 4. After passage and approval this Ordinance shall expire and be repealed on March 31, 2009.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage and approval, and it is so ordered.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE 22ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.


Jayo Washington, Mayor

ATTEST:



David Stall, City Secretary