



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** Ord. 2018-12(b), **Version:** 1

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### **AGENDA CAPTION:**

Consider approval of Ordinance 2018-12, on the second of two readings, amending Chapter 14, Buildings and Building Regulations, of the City Code to implement recent legislation prohibiting the City from collecting fees from members of certain trades before they are authorized to practice their trades in the City; providing for an effective date.

**Meeting date:** May 1, 2018 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
May 15, 2018 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

### **Amount & Source of Funding**

**Funds Required:** n/a

**Account Number:** n/a

**Funds Available:** n/a

**Account Name:** n/a

### **Fiscal Note:**

**Prior Council Action:** n/a

**City Council Strategic Initiative:** n/a

Choose an item.

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### **Comprehensive Plan Element (s):**

- ☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
- ☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
- ☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
- ☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
- ☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
- ☐ Transportation - Choose an item.
- ☒ Not Applicable

**Master Plan:**

Vision San Marcos - A River Runs Through Us

**Background Information:**

The State of Texas passed House Bill No. 3329 and it took effect September 1, 2017. This bill states that a municipality may not collect a permit fee, registration fee, administrative fee, or any other fee from an electrician who holds a license for work performed in the municipality. It then goes on to state that this does not prohibit a municipality from collecting a building permit fee. TML and BOAT (Building Official of Texas) have issued a recommendation and we are recommending that we follow that approach after speaking with Legal. That article is attached for reference. There are 4 sections of Chapter 14 that have been revised to reflect these changes.

**Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:**

n/a

**Alternatives:**

n/a

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance changes as submitted with an effective date of May 15, 2018.