## **ORDINANCE 13-08**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ADDING SEC. 2-75.1 TO THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES PROVIDING FOR THE PARTIAL EXEMPTION FROM THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, non-profit organizations provide valuable services to the community; and

WHEREAS, non-profit organizations budgets are normally stretched very thin; and

WHEREAS, any savings to these organizations will enable them to accomplish more for the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of South Padre Island is amended to add the following:

"Sec. 2-75.1 Exemption of Non-profit Corporations: Valid non-profit corporations shall be exempt from paying fees for services rendered by the City of South Padre Island under the following departments and divisions: Planning, Fire, Environmental Health and Building.

To qualify for this fee exemption, the corporation must provide valid documentation to the City Secretary that it is designated as a 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service, that the corporation is in good standing, and that the organization operates in a building located on South Padre Island."

**Section 2.** This ordinance repeals all portions of any prior ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Code of Ordinances in conflict herewith.

**Section 3.** If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance for it is the definite intent of this City Council that every section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision hereof be given full force and effect for its purpose.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the second and final reading.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING THIS THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2013.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON SECOND READING THIS THE 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2013.

**APPROVED:** 

Robert N. Pinkerton, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan Hill, City Secretary