ORDINANCE NO. 568

ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF MEXICO BEACH LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, SETTING FORTH THE AUTHORITY FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATION; SETTING FORTH THE PURPOSE AND INTENT OF THE REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION AND APPEALS RELATING TO THE REGULATION; **IDENTIFYING** ARTICLES OF THE REGULATION, SUB-ARTICLE. DEFINITIONS AND ESTABLISHING THE LEGAL STATUS THE LAND DEVELOPMENT **REGULATION: REPEALING** ALL **ORDINANCES** OR **PARTS OF ORDINANCES** IN CONFLICT HEREWITH **AND** PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes, (the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act) and Chapter 9J-24 Florida Administrative Code require each city in the State of Florida to prepare and adopt a Land Development Regulation as required by the Department of Community Affairs; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mexico Beach is now updating the original Land Development Regulation, hereafter referred to as the LDR, which was adopted in 1991 pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.3202 Florida Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mexico Beach City Council has provided for the broad dissemination of proposals and alternatives, opportunity for written comments, public hearings after due public notice, provisions for open discussion, and consideration of and response to public comments concerning the provisions contained in the proposed 2010 LDR; and,

WHEREAS, the opportunity for citizens to review and comment on the proposed LDR during the amending phase occurred during meetings on the following dates: October 7, 2008; November 5, 2008; November 18, 2008; December 2, 2008; December 16, 2008; January 6, 2009; February 3, 2009; February 24, 2009; March 4, 2009; March 24, 2009; April 14, 2009; April 28, 2009; May 6, 2009; June 4, 2009; July 14, 2009; August 25, 2009; January 26, 2010; and March 23, 2010.

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposed LDR was made available for public comment at City Hall during the amendment phase; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1.</u> Authority. This Ordinance is adopted in compliance with, and pursuant to the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulations Act, Section 163, Part II, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. Purpose and Intent. It is hereby declared that the purpose and intent of this Ordinance is to preserve and enhance present advantages; encourage the most appropriate use of land, water, and resources consistent with the public interest; overcome present handicaps; and deal effectively with future problems which may result from the use and development of land within the City of Mexico Beach, Florida. Through the use of the 2010 LDR, and those elements thereto adopted herein by the Ordinance, it is the intent of the City of Mexico Beach City Council, to preserve, promote, and protect, and improve the pubic health, safety, comfort, good order, appearance, convenience, and general welfare; prevent the overcrowding of land and avoid undue concentration of population; facilitate the adequate and efficient provision of transportation, water, sewage, parks and recreational facilities, solid waste, drainage, and other services; and conserve, appropriately develop, utilize, and protect natural and historic resources.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Severability</u>. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance, including attachments to this Ordinance, is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

INTRODUCED at a Regular Meeting of the City Council on the 8^{th} day of September, 2009 and ADOPTED at the Regular Meeting of the City Council on the 13^{th} day of April, 2010.

CITY OF MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA

William A. Cathey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah McLeod, City Clerk