RESOLUTION 19-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA INCREASING FEES ASSOCIATED WITH BUILDING PERMITS AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Mexico Beach (the "City") reviews applications and issues building permits pursuant to Chapter 553 of the Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 553 of the Florida Statutes allows the City to require reasonable fees for building permits and associated services and the City Code provides that the City may set such fees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City has not increased its fees for building permits for many years despite inflation and increased costs within the building industry; and

WHEREAS, in many cases, the fee charged by the City no longer is adequate to cover the cost of the time, labor, and expenses required to conduct the review, inspections, and permit issuance; and

WHEREAS, the City's current fees are below the amounts that neighboring communities charge and the fees provided by this resolution will put the City's fees generally in line with its neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, the City has contracted with EP Consultants, Inc. to conduct building department services for the City and EP Consultants, Inc. provides the same type of services for several nearby cities and the fees provided by this resolution generally are in line with the fees charged by those cities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to update its building department fees and has determined that the fees provided by this resolution are reasonable.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City hereby adopts the Fee Schedule relating to building permits, attached and incorporated as Exhibit "A," and such fees shall go into effect immediately.

PASSED this 27 day of August, 2019.

CITY OF MEXICO BEACH

By:

William A. Cathey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jenny Myrick, City Clerk