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ORDINANCE NO. 365

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE IV, OF THE ABILENE CITY CODE, 1965, ENTITLED OIL AND GAS DRILLING AND PRODUCTION; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE:

PART 1: Sub-section (d) of Section 8-22, Article IV, Chapter 8, Abilene City Code of 1965, is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (d) "Drilling Unit", as used herein, shall mean an area consisting of one or more contiguous tracts of land, the average length of which such area is not in excess of three times its average width.

PART 2: ~~Sub-section (a) of Section 8-32, Article IV, Chapter 8, Abilene City Code of 1965, is hereby amended to read as follows:~~

- ~~(a) No permit shall be granted to drill or operate a well within 60 feet of any unit line. No permit shall be granted to drill or operate a well within 150 feet of any building or buildings, unless, prior to the filing of the application therefor, applicant shall have obtained written consent from the owners of such building or buildings. A copy of such consent or consents and/or any lease or leases which contain such consent shall be filed with said application.~~

PART 3: ~~Sub-section (c) of Section 8-33, Article IV, Chapter 8, Abilene City Code of 1965, is hereby amended to read as follows:~~

- ~~(c) No wells or tank batteries shall be located within 60 feet of any unit line. On all tank batteries within 200 feet of any building or buildings, there shall be erected a fire wall of sufficient volume to hold double the capacity of the production tanks, and such fire wall shall, during the life of the production, be maintained in such manner as to hold any escaped fluid within said fire wall.~~

PART 4: That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Article shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). Each such violation, which shall continue, or be permitted to continue, shall be deemed a separate offense.

