

## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Section 2.14 of the City Charter requires that the City of Coleman publish the descriptive caption of any ordinance which is passed AND which contains any penalty, fine or forfeiture for any violations of any provisions of the ordinance. The City of Coleman recently passed a new ordinance regarding Sex Offenders which does include provisions for penalties or fines for failures to comply with the provisions outlined within the Ordinance. The following descriptive caption is therefore being printed in the Coleman Chronicle and Democratic Voice on January 25, 2024, to fulfill the charter requirements. This Ordinance will become effective after this publication in the Coleman newspaper. The descriptive caption reads as follows:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLEMAN, TEXAS AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF COLEMAN, TEXAS, CHAPTER 8: "OFFENSES AND NUISANCES," BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 8.09, "SEX OFFENDERS"; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEX OFFENDER PROHIBITIONS, INCLUDING MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR SEX OFFENDERS TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY RESIDENCE WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF A CHILD SAFETY ZONE, TO KNOWINGLY ENTER A CHILD SAFETY ZONE, TO KNOWINGLY LOITER ON A PUBLIC WAY WITHIN 300 FEET OF A CHILD SAFETY ZONE AND TO LEAVE ON EXTERIOR PORCH LIGHTS OR INVITE TRICK-OR-TREATERS TO SOLICIT THE PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR EVIDENTIARY MATTERS; PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO VIOLATIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$500 AND THAT EACH DAY DURING OR ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS SHALL BE DEEMED A SEPARATE OFFENSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The penalty for violations of the ordinance occurring within the corporate limits of the City is a fine not less than \$250.00 and not more than \$500.00.

The effective date of this Ordinance will therefore be January 25, 2024. For additional information, the Citizens of Coleman may contact Betty Bivins, City Secretary of the City of Coleman.

Please publish this notice in the Coleman Chronicle and Democratic Voice on January 25, 2024.

Signed

Betty Bivins  
City Secretary  
City of Coleman

This notice was emailed to the Coleman Chronicle and Democratic Voice on January 22, 2024. Please provide the Office of the City Secretary with a copy of the Publishers Affidavit and tear sheet for our records.