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**ORDINANCE 2002-03**

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE PERMITTING OF  
BUSINESSES; PRACTICE OF ANY PROFESSION OR  
CALLING OR VOCATION AND PROVIDING FOR A  
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Penitas is a general law city operating under the laws of the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, under the Texas Constitution cities may regulate in areas not preempted by State Statute;

WHEREAS, the City of Penitas in enactment of this Ordinance intends to protect the welfare, health, peace, and safety of the citizens of the City of Penitas;

WHEREAS, the City of Penitas, continues to grow and attract business professionals and other commerce;

WHEREAS, the City of Penitas intends to regulate said business, professions, callings and/or vocations.

NOW, IT IS, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Penitas as follows:

1. The Board of Aldermen find that all requirements of law have met in the passing of this Ordinance.
2. The city administrator shall administer the provisions of this Ordinance in accordance with the provisions set out herein;
3. No person shall construct any building or make any existing building or premises as a place of business or for the practice of any profession or calling or vocation without obtaining from the City of Penitas a permit to do so;
4. Said permit shall contain the name of the licensee, description of the property and the use to be made of the same and provide such other information as may be prescribed by city authorities;
5. The fee for said permit shall be \$25.00, except that a permit fee of only \$1.00 shall be charged when obtained as part of a building permit; said permit shall not be transferable;
6. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof, for each and every violation or non-compliance, shall be fined a penalty not to exceed \$500.00.

Shall any phrase, word, sentence, paragraph or portion of this Ordinance be found void or voidable, or unconstitutional the remaining portion shall remain in full force and effect.

CONSIDERED AND APPROVED AND EFFECTIVE ON THIS THE 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2002, at a REGULAR AND DULY CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PENITAS, TEXAS, at which a quorum was present and which was held in accordance with Chapter 551, of the Texas Local Government Code.

EXECUTED THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2002.

CITY OF PENITAS



Mayor Servando Ramirez

ATTEST:

  
City Secretary