ORDINANCE NO. 2024-35

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY BY AMENDING SECTION 125-7.9.3, ENTITLED "PRUNING, CORNER CLEARANCE" OF CHAPTER 125, ENTITLED "UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE" TO UPDATE VARIOUS REGULATIONS RELATED TO TREE CLEARANCE ABOVE SIDEWALKS, PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, PUBLICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS, as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> That Section 125-7.9.3 (Pruning, Corner Clearance) shall be amended to read as follows:

125 – 7.9.3 Pruning, Corner Clearance

Pruning, Corner Clearance. The owner(s) of any tree overhanging any street or right-of-way within the City shall prune the branches so that such branches shall not obstruct the light from any street light or obstruct the view of any street sign or intersection, and so that there shall be a clear space of fifteen (15) feet above the surface of the street and eight (8) feet above the surface of the sidewalk. Pruning includes crown cleaning, thinning, raising, reduction, and restoration. The pruning of trees must comply with tree trimming guidelines in the American National Standard for Tree Care Operations: Tree Shrub and Other Woody Plant Maintenance Standard Practices, or National Arborist Association's "Standards for Pruning of Shade Trees." Said owners shall also remove all dead, diseased or dangerous trees, or broken or decayed limbs which constitute a menace to the safety of the public.

Section 2. Savings. All rights and remedies which have accrued in favor of the City under this Ordinance and amendments thereto shall be and are preserved for the benefit of the City.

<u>Section 3.</u> Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

<u>Section 4.</u> Repealer. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed but only to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. Codification. It is the intent of the City Council of the City of League City, Texas, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall be codified in the City's official Code of Ordinances as provided hereinabove.

<u>Section 6.</u> Publication and Effective Date. The City Secretary shall cause this Ordinance, or its caption, to be published in the official newspaper of the City of League City, upon passage of such Ordinance. The Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

	PASSED first reading the	_day of	, 2024.
	PASSED AND ADOPTED the_	day of	, 2024.
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