

**CITY OF EASTLAND, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 25-925**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EASTLAND, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 19 "ZONING", ARTICLE I "ZONING ORDINANCE" OF THE EASTLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES BY REVISING SECTION 19-11 "PERMITTED USES" TO ALLOW TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING STUDIOS AS A PERMITTED USE IN LOCAL BUSINESS (C1) AND GENERAL BUSINESS (C2) DISTRICTS AND IN LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (LI) AND HEAVY INDUSTRIAL (HI) DISTRICTS BY RIGHT; PROVIDING REPEALING AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, under the laws of the State of Texas, authority is conferred upon the City of Eastland (the "City") to enact a zoning ordinance and to provide for its administration, enforcement, and amendment and, pursuant to such authority, the City has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance which is codified as Article I of Chapter 19 of the Eastland Code of Ordinances (the "Zoning Ordinance");

WHEREAS, due to the more mainstream acceptance of tattoos, the interest of individuals to open new businesses for this purpose, and the availability of currently vacant buildings downtown which are suitable for this purpose, City staff has proposed to amend Section 19-11 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow tattoo and body piercing studios within Local Business (C1) and General Business (C2) Districts and within Light Industrial (LI) and Heavy Industrial (HI) Districts by right rather than require a specific use permit;

WHEREAS, after public notice was given in compliance with State law, the Planning and Zoning Board (the "Zoning Board") considered on November 13, 2025, and after considering the information submitted at that public meeting and all other relevant information and materials, the Zoning Board has recommended to the City Commission of the City (the "City Commission") that Section 19-11 of the Zoning Ordinance should be amended as set forth in this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after complying with all legal notices, requirements, and conditions, the City Commission considered the recommendation of the Zoning Board, and among other things, the comprehensive plan and the necessity for orderly and appropriate regulations of the use of land and the erection of structures thereon, and the City Commission does hereby find that the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance approved hereby accomplishes such objectives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF EASTLAND, TEXAS THAT:

- I. **Incorporation of Premises.** The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.
- II. **Findings.** After due deliberations and consideration of the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board and the information and other materials received at the public hearing,

the City Commission has concluded that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the City of Eastland, Texas, and of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of its citizens.

III. **Amendment.** Chapter 19 of the Eastland Code of Ordinances is hereby amended in the following, and all other articles, chapters, divisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences, phrases, and words not expressly amended hereby are hereby ratified and affirmed.

A. Division 2, "Permitted Uses and Area Regulations", Section 19-11, "Permitted Uses", Article I "Zoning Ordinance" is hereby amended to allow Tattoo or Body Piercing Studios in Local Business (C1) and General Business (C2) Districts and to allow for these uses in Light Industrial (LI) and Heavy Industrial (HI) Districts by right, as set forth below (with additions underlined and language being replaced stricken):

SERVICES									
	PARKING	AO	SF	MF	MH	C1	C2	LI	HI
Studio, tattoo or body piercing	2/employee					<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>S</u> <u>X</u>	<u>S</u> <u>X</u>

IV. **Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance, for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, or phrases of this Ordinance, but they shall remain in effect notwithstanding the invalidity of any other part.

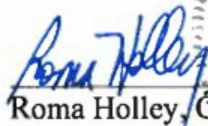
V. **Repeal.** All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict. Any remaining portions of said ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

VI. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance becomes effective immediately upon its adoption on second reading.

Passed upon first reading this the 15th day of December, 2025.

Passed, approved, and adopted upon second and final reading this the 20th day of January, 2026.

ATTEST:


Roma Holley, City Secretary


Larry Vernon, Mayor