CITY OF SANIBEL RESOLUTION 23-006

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA, REDUCING PERMIT FEES CHARGED FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS FOR BUILDING ALTERATIONS, ELECTRICAL PERMITS, MECHANICAL PERMITS, PLUMBING PERMITS, AND ROOF PERMITS, AS SUBMITTED ON THE CITY OF SANIBEL EMERGENCY REPAIR PERMIT FORMS BY 25% FOR A SIX-MONTH PERIOD, AND WAIVE THE FIRST RE-INSPECTION FEE FOR A SIX-MONTH PERIOD FOR ALL EMERGENCY REPAIR PERMITS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2022, Hurricane Ian made landfall in Sanibel and other parts of Lee County as a Category 4 hurricane, causing catastrophic property damage and loss of life; and

WHEREAS, damages directly impacting the City of Sanibel include widespread damage and destruction of infrastructure, public property, and private property; and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2022, the City Council of the City of Sanibel passed Resolution No. 22-054, declaring a State of Local Emergency, based upon the severe threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the City posed by Hurricane Ian; and

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution 22-054 declared an initial State of Local Emergency for a 7-day term, which State of Local Emergency has been extended continuously by Mayoral Proclamations since the initial issuance; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2023, after a Public Hearing, the City Council approved Ordinance 23-003 amending Chapter 14, Building and Building Regulations of the Code of Ordinances, to allow the City Council to waive fees by Resolution or Mayoral Proclamation following a natural or man-made disaster; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2023, the City Council expressed a desire to reduce the financial burden on property owners who must repair their homes damaged by Hurricane Ian by reducing or waiving fees for certain building permit fees established in Chapter 14 – Buildings and Building Regulations, Article IV – Permits, Section 14-188 Fees, of the City's Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to reduce the permit fees for Emergency Repairs for Building Alterations, Electrical Permits, Mechanical Permits, Plumbing Permits and Roof Permits submitted on the City's Emergency Repair Permit Forms by 25% for a period of sixmonths; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to waive the First Re-Inspection Fee for all Emergency Repair Permit Fees for a period of six-months.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The recitals above are true and correct and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. The following Emergency Repair Permit Fees, for repair work submitted on the City of Sanibel Emergency Repair Permit Forms are hereby reduced by 25% for a period of six-months, from February 7, 2023 through August 7, 2023.

SECTION 3. The First Re-Inspection Fee for all Emergency Repair Permits are hereby waived for period of six-months, from February 7, 2023 through August 7, 2023.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED IN OPEN AND REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA THIS 7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.

Attest:

Scotty Lynn Kelly, City Clerk

Holly D. Smith, Mayor

Approved as to form and legality:

John D. Agnew, City Attorney

Date filed with City Clerk: _____

Vote of Council Members:

Smith	
Johnson	
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