## **ORDINANCE NO. 2012-002**

AN ORDINANCE BY <u>THE CITY OF EAST BERNARD</u>, <u>WHARTON COUNTY, TEXAS</u>, PROHIBITING DRILLING AND MINING OF THE CITY OF EAST BERNARD COMMUNITY PARK, POOL.

WHEREAS, the City of East Bernard has been awarded a matching Local Park Grant Program grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPW) for the purpose of developing recreational opportunities within the site known as the East Bernard Community Park, Pool.; and

WHEREAS, the site for the East Bernard Community Park, Pool. is city-owned land dedicated as parkland; and

WHEREAS, according to TPW requirements, it is desirable and necessary that the drilling of wells for the purpose of exploring for or producing oil and/or gas, or mining for any purpose be prohibited within the project site;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY <u>THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF EAST BERNARD, WHARTON COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:</u>

SECTION 1: It shall be unlawful to drill a well for the purchase of exploring for or producing oil and/or gas, or to mine for any purpose within the limits of the <u>East Bernard Community Park, Pool.</u>

SECTION 2: Drilling for water wells to be used for on-site irrigation and/or other recreational purposes shall be allowed on the project site after approval of such by TPW.

SECTION 3: Pursuant to the City being a general law city, the ordinance shall be passed on the first reading.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and shall remain in full force and effect after its passage.

Passed, approved and adopted on this 17 day of January, 2012, by the following vote:

Q_ FOR	AGAINST ABSTAIN	
	Buck Bootcher.	
	Buck Boettcher, MAYOR	

Melvin Sands, CITY SECRETARY

ATTEST