

ORDINANCE NO. 508

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANOR, TEXAS, AMENDING THE MANOR CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS, ARTICLE 1.05 BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES ADDING PROVISIONS FOR QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has found lacking in current boards, commission and committee rules a mechanism for compelling and recording attendance of its members; and

WHEREAS, through the addition of quorum and attendance language the City Council can more accurately determine a board, commission or committee member's fitness to serve; and

WHEREAS, after receiving said attendance records and recommendations from staff, the City Council can through majority vote remove members of a board, commission, or committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANOR, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1: Findings Incorporated. The findings set forth above are incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2: Amendment of Chapter 1, Article 1.05.030 Reserved as follows:

Section 1.05.030 Creation; purpose

A planning and zoning commission is created in order to accomplish the following purposes:

- (1) To identify community needs and to advise the city council of their short-range and long-range implications for the total development of the city;
- (2) To recommend achievable community goals as a basis for long-range planning and development programs;
- (3) To recommend plans, programs, and policies that will aid the entire community in achieving its defined goals; and
- (4) To interpret the adopted plans and programs to concerned citizens so that private activities and desires may be accomplished in harmony with public needs and policies.

Section 3: Amendment of Chapter 1, Article 1.05.031 Creation, purpose as follows:

Section 1.05.031 Membership

The planning and zoning commission shall be composed of seven (7) persons with at least five being qualified electors of the city, and two may be residents in the extraterritorial jurisdiction. The city council consider will for appointment to the commission only those persons who have demonstrated their civic interest, general knowledge of the community, independent judgment, interest in planning and zoning, and availability to prepare for and attend meetings. It is the intent

of the city council that members shall, by reason of diversity of their individual occupations, constitute a commission which is broadly representative of the community.

Section 4: Amendment of Chapter 1, Article 1.05.032 Membership as follows:

Section 1.05.032 Quorum and Attendance

Four members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for transacting business and no action of the commission shall be valid or binding unless taken in an open meeting with a quorum present. Less than a quorum may adjourn any meeting, or order and compel the attendance of absent members. It shall be the duty of each member of the commission to attend each regular and special commission meeting and the failure of any member to attend three consecutive, regular meetings, without good and sufficient cause, shall constitute misconduct in office.

Section 5. Conflicting Ordinances. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby amended to the extent of such conflict and shall hereinafter read as provided herein. To the extent only, if any, necessary to accomplish the purposes of this ordinance, any such term, condition or provision of any ordinance of the city that is in conflict herewith is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

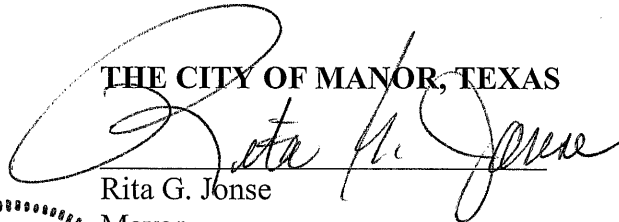
Section 6. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications hereof which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 7. Open Meetings. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the *Open Meetings Act, Chapt. 551, Loc. Gov't Code.*

Section 8. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication.


PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of January 2018.

THE CITY OF MANOR, TEXAS



Rita G. Jonse
Mayor

ATTEST:


Luvia Tijerina
City Secretary