

CITY OF SANDY OAKS, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-149

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY OAKS, TEXAS PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR THE ADOPTION OF CITY ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, the City of Sandy Oaks, Texas (“City”) is a Type A General Law municipality organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, section 51.001 of the Local Government Code authorizes the governing body of a municipality to adopt, publish, amend, or repeal an ordinance, rule, or police regulation that: (1) is for the good government, peace, or order of the municipality or for the trade and commerce of the municipality; and (2) is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the municipality or to an office or department of the municipality.; and

WHEREAS, section 51.012 of the Local Government Code provides a Type A general law municipality may adopt an ordinance, act, law, or regulation, not inconsistent with state law, that is necessary for the government, interest, welfare, or good order of the municipality as a body politic; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City finds the procedures for the adoption of City Ordinances is for the good government, peace or order of the municipality and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds this Ordinance is necessary for the government, interest, welfare, or good order of the City as a body politic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY OAKS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS OF FACT. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

SECTION 2. PROCEDURES FOR ADOPTING ORDINANCES. The City Council hereby finds that the following procedures apply to the adoption of City ordinances in addition to those already in place and adopted by City Council:

- (a) The Mayor, two members of Council or the City Administrator may offer an ordinance on the agenda for consideration.
- (b) All ordinances, except as indicated herein, shall be presented at City Council in at least two readings. The first reading serves the purpose of initial introduction to the Council and citizens and for discussion. The Council may make amendments to the proposed ordinance. The next business day following the first reading, a copy of the proposed ordinances shall be posted at City Hall and on the City website where is shall remain for

at least two weeks and until second reading and may be furnished to the public upon request to the City Secretary.

- (c) The public may provide written comments either by email or by regular mail to the City Clerk or by the link provided on the City website.

SECTION 3. WAIVER BY COUNCIL. Council may waive the two-reading process by a majority vote of City Council present and voting.

SECTION 4. EXCEPTIONS. The following ordinances shall not require two readings under this Ordinance: calling an election, adopting a budget, ordinances adopted to comply with state law, adoption of the tax rate, health and safety, and those waived by Council.

SECTION 5. FAILURE TO FOLLOW PROCEDURE. The failure of the city council to follow the procedures for reading the proposed ordinances shall not affect the validity of an ordinance adopted.

SECTION 6. READING ORDINANCE TITLE. A reading of a proposed ordinance by title shall satisfy the requirement for any reading required by this Ordinance.

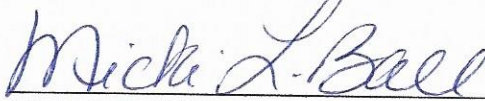
SECTION 7. MODIFICATION AFTER FIRST READING. Any modification of a proposed ordinance after its first or second reading shall not require the commencement of a new reading or publication on the City's website.

SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance for any reason is held invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced, such section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be excluded to the extent of such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability; all other sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after the passage and approval of this Ordinance.

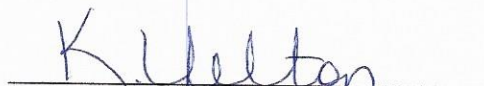
PASSED AND APPROVED on this 24th day of October 2019.

CITY OF SANDY OAKS, TEXAS



Micki L. Ball, Mayor

ATTEST:



Katherine Yelton, City Secretary