



ORDINANCE NO. 3331

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, "ADMINISTRATION," ARTICLE II, "BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS", DIVISION 1, "GENERALLY," TO ADD SECTION 2-37, "TERM LIMITS FOR BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS"; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Farmers Branch, Texas, be and the same is hereby amended by amending Chapter 2, "Administration," Article II, "Boards, Committees, and Commissions", Division 1, "Generally," by adding Section 2-37, "Term Limits for Board and Commission Members," to read as follows:

"Sec. 2-37. –Term Limits for Board and Commission Members.

- (a) No person may serve on any board or commission established pursuant to the Charter, this Code, other city ordinance, or resolution of the City Council for more than (i) three (3) full consecutive terms, if the length of the term of office for such board or commission is two (2) years or (ii) two (2) full consecutive terms of office, if the term of office for such board or commission is three (3) years or six (6) years, until at least one year has elapsed from the expiration of such person's most recent term of office on such board or commission.
- (b) Notwithstanding (a), above, a person who is ineligible to be reappointed to serve on a board or commission because of the limitations in (a), above, may be appointed to serve on a different board or commission without waiting the one year required by (a), above, provided such person's length of service on such other board or commission shall be subject to the limits set forth in (a), above.
- (c) Notwithstanding (a) and (b), above, a person who has served the maximum number of years or terms of office on a single board or commission as allowed in (a) and (b), above, on the effective date of this section may continue to serve in the position to which the person is currently appointed, including for any periods following the expiration of the person's term, until the City Council appoints another person to fill the position and said person has otherwise qualified to hold the position.
- (d) The limits set forth in (a) and (b), above, shall not apply to a person appointed to an alternate positions on a board or commission. Furthermore, the period of time in which a person serves as an alternate member on a board or commission shall not be included in determining the number of terms for which said person

subsequently appointed to a regular voting position on such board or commission pursuant to (a) and (b), above.

- (e) If a person is appointed to serve an unexpired term on a board or commission, the limitations set forth in (a) and (b) above shall not apply to such partial, unexpired term.
- (f) For purposes of this Section, “board or commission” shall mean and include Library Board, Planning and Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment/Building Code of Appeals, Parks and Recreation Board, Historical Preservation and Restoration Board, Industrial Development Corporation, Housing Finance Corporation, Senior Advisory Board, Community Watch Committee, and the Family Advisory Board. “Board or commission” shall not include any ad hoc committee appointed by the City Council or the City’s appointees to the Valwood Improvement Authority, North Dallas County Water Supply Corporation, City of Farmers Branch Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone No. 1, and City of Farmers Branch Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone No. 2, Farmers Branch Local Government Corporation, Animal Shelter Advisory Committee, Metrocrest Hospital Authority, Municipal Drainage Utility System Advisory Committee, and North Texas Emergency Communications Center Inc.

SECTION 2. That all provisions of the ordinances of the City of Farmers Branch in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed, and all other provisions of the ordinances of the City of Farmers Branch not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That should any sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this Ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision thereof other than the part so decided to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, and shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and the publication of the caption of said ordinance as the law and the City Charter in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS, ON THE 18th DAY OF AUGUST, 2015.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Angela Kelly, City Secretary

Bob Phelps, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Peter G. Smith, City Attorney
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