ORDINANCE NO. 3930



AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, BY AMENDING MULTIPLE SECTIONS AND SUBSECTIONS IN ARTICLE II, "BOARD, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS," OF CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION", PROVIDING FOR CONSISTENT TERMS AND TERM LIMITS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, to provide for more accountability to the public by those appointed to serve on the various boards and commissions, the City Council finds it to be in the public interest to provide for consistent terms of two years and term limits of three terms for boards or commissions of the City of Farmers Branch, Texas.

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

SECTION 1. The Code of Ordinance, City of Farmers Branch, is hereby amended by amending the following Sections and Subsections of Article II "Boards, Committees, and Commissions," of Chapter 2 "Administration," without amendment or repeal of other Sections or Subsections not listed, such amended Sections and Subsections shall read as follows:

Section 2-37 (a) shall read as follows:

"(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 three full consecutive terms until at least one year has elapsed from the expiration of such person's most recent term of office on such board or commission."

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Section 2-37 (f) shall read as follows:

"(f) "For the purposes of this section, "Board or Commission" shall mean all City of Farmers Branch boards, commissions, and committees currently active and in existence. "Board or Commission" shall not include any ad hoc committee appointed by the City Council on a temporary basis for a specific purpose, or the City's appointees to outside organizations' boards, commissions, and committees."

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Section 2-236 shall read as follows:

"There is hereby created the planning and zoning commission consisting of seven regular members and two alternate members appointed by the city council. Each member of the commission shall be a qualified voter of the city. Regular and alternate members of the planning and zoning commission shall be appointed to serve terms of two-term years, said terms to be staggered so that only three members and/or alternate members are appointed at the beginning of each term year."

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Section 271 (a) shall read as follows:

"(a) There is hereby created a sustainability committee consisting of seven regular members and two alternate members appointed by the city council. Each member shall be a resident of the city. Members of the sustainability committee shall be appointed to serve terms of two-term years each, said terms to be staggered so that only four members and one alternate member are appointed in a single term year and three members and one alternate member in another term year."

SECTION 2. 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 3. This Ordinance shall not affect the current term of any member serving a term in excess of two (2) years.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after the passage of this Ordinance, the publication of the caption hereof as the law and charter in such case provide.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS, THIS 17th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Erin Flores, City Secretary

Terry Lynne, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Whitt Wyatt, City Attorney [sr 05.28.2025]