



RESOLUTION NO. 2019-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS, CREATING A CENSUS 2020 COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING LOCAL OUTREACH EFFORTS TO INCREASE COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION IN CENSUS 2020; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the United States Census has been performed every ten years since 1790, with the last census in 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City's decennial census population count directly affects the amount of federal revenue distributed for roads, schools, libraries, senior centers, day care centers, and hospitals; and

WHEREAS, accurate census information is critical to planning for future growth, development and social needs of the City of Farmers Branch; and

WHEREAS, the City welcomes assistance and advice from community-based organizations, the school districts, local businesses and the media in counting the entire local population, including traditionally hard to count, or undercounted, populations; and

WHEREAS, the more informed residents become about the 2020 census operations, the probability of a successful enumeration will be increased; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Farmers Branch, Texas, finds it to be in the public interest to establish an ad hoc committee to assist in the formulation of community strategies to increase the response to the 2020 Census.

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

SECTION 1. The City Council does hereby establish an ad hoc committee to be known as the "Census 2020 Count Committee" (the "Committee"). The Committee shall have six members consisting of (a) one member appointed from each City Council district by the City Council, and (b) the Mayor, who shall be the chairperson of the Committee.

SECTION 2. The purpose and charge of the Committee is to develop strategies and recommend projects and programs designed to increase the participation and response rate to the Census 2020 within the City of Farmers Branch and to increase knowledge and awareness of the Census 2020 throughout the City.

SECTION 3. The Committee members shall serve from their date of appointment and swearing in through August 31, 2020 at which time the Committee shall dissolve. No dissolving resolution shall be necessary.

SECTION 4. The Committee shall establish its rules of procedures and a schedule for regular meetings subject to the following:

- A. The quorum for the Committee shall be three, inclusive of the Chairperson;
- B. The Mayor shall not vote except in the case of a tie vote;
- C. Approval of any matter by the Committee shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present; and
- D. The Committee shall comply with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act to the same extent as the City's standing committees.

SECTION 5. The Committee shall report its activities to the City Council on not less than a quarterly basis.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS, THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL 2019.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Amy Piukana, TRMC, City Secretary

Robert C. Dye, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Peter G. Smith, City Attorney
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