

ORDINANCE NO. 20210309-007

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 17 PARKS AND RECREATION ARTICLE II. PARK AND RECREATION BOARD SECTION 17-16 APPOINTMENT OF PARK AND RECREATION BOARD; COMPOSITION; QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS, AMENDING SECTION 17-17 TERM OF OFFICE AND AMENDING SECTION 17-19 RULES OF PROCEDURE; QUORUM, OPEN MEETINGS; RECORDS OF THE ANGLETON TEXAS CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Angleton owns, operates, and maintains various parks and park facilities for the use and enjoyment of its citizens and the general public and the City by ordinance created a Park and Recreation Board in 1965 and later codified requirements for the Park and Recreation Board in Chapter 17 of the Angleton Texas Code of Ordinances, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Angleton, City Manager, City Parks & Recreation Director and the Park and Recreation Members desire to include a youth member who is an active student, in good standing, and between the ages 16 to 18 years to the Park & Recreation Board and therefore amend Sections 17-16, 17-17, and 17-19 of Chapter 17 Parks and Recreation of the Angleton Texas Code of Ordinances;

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

SECTION 1. The facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are hereby found and declared to be true and correct and are incorporated by reference herein and expressly made a part hereof, as if copied verbatim.

SECTION 2. Chapter 17 Parks and Recreation Board Section 17-16 Appointment of Park and Recreation Board; Composition; Qualifications of Members is amended to add the additional language as follows:

Sec. 17-16. Appointment of Park and Recreation Board; composition; qualifications of members.

The City Council shall appoint a City Park and Recreation Board, consisting of seven members, who shall be residents of the City, owning real property within the city and who shall not be employees of the city. In addition to the seven members, the City Council shall also appoint one youth member (minimum of 16 years of age), who shall be a resident of the City, who shall be an active high school student in good standing, and who shall not be an employee of the City.

Section 3. Chapter 17 Parks and Recreation Board Section 17-17 Term of Office is amended to add the additional language as follows:

Sec. 17-17. Term of office.

Of the seven members three members shall be appointed in each even-numbered year and four members shall be appointed in each odd-numbered year, within 30 days after each regular City election to serve terms of two years each. The additional youth member must be of eligible age at time of appointment to the board position, and the youth member shall serve a term of one year commencing and ending on the first day of May.

SECTION 4. Chapter 17 Parks and Recreation Board Section 17-19 Rules of Procedure; Quorum; Open Meetings; Records is amended to add the additional language as follows:

Sec. 17-19. - Rules of procedure; quorum; open meetings; records.

The Park and Recreation Board shall elect annually one of its members, that is not the youth member, as Chair and shall establish its own rules of procedure. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the board and an affirmative vote of a majority of those present shall be necessary to pass upon pending questions. The Chair shall be entitled to vote upon any question. The youth member position shall not be a voting position, but rather a position to offer input and opinion as a youth representation for the City. Regular meetings shall be held not less than bimonthly in June, August, October, December, February, and April. Such meetings shall be open to the public and a record of all proceedings shall be kept. The record shall be filed with the City Secretary and shall be a public record.

SECTION 5. Any person who violates or causes, allows, or permits another to violate any provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than Five Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$500.00). Each occurrence of any such violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this ordinance are hereby repealed; provided, however, that such repeal shall be only to the extent of such inconsistency and in all other respects this ordinance shall be cumulative of other ordinances regulating and governing the subject matter covered by this ordinance.

SECTION 7. In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Angleton, Texas declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, or whether there be one or more parts.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall be effective and in full force upon adoption.

SECTION 9. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 9th DAY OF MARCH 2021.

CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS

Jason Perez
Mayor

ATTEST:

Frances Aguilar, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary