

ORDINANCE NO. 22-M-20

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCHERTZ, TEXAS SETTING EXPIRATION DATES FOR THE END OF TERMS OF VOLUNTEER MEMBERS OF CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES, AND REQUIRING THE CITY BOARD VOLUNTEER MEMBER TAKE PART OF AN INTERVIEW PROCESS TO BE APPOINTED OR RE-APPOINTED TO A CITY BOARD. REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Schertz, Texas (the “City”) has established the various Boards, Commissions, and Committees set forth in Ordinance No. 22-M-20 and incorporated herein (collectively, the “Boards”), which Boards are composed of volunteer members; and

WHEREAS, currently, the terms for the members of each of the Boards ends on May 31st of the year in which the applicable volunteer members’ term expires; and

WHEREAS, the Interview Committee met on March 21, 2022 to discuss the expiration dates of all the Boards; and to discuss the process of appointments and reappointments of volunteer members; and

WHEREAS, the end date of the terms of the members of each of the Boards is hereby changed to one of the following: June 30th, September 30th or March 31st. See Exhibit A

WHEREAS, volunteer members who term expires must resubmit an application to remain on the board and go through an interview process. See Exhibit B

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

Section 1. The end date of the terms of the members of each of the Boards is hereby changed and an Interview Process for appointing or reappointing volunteer members is now required.

Section 2. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Ordinance for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Council.

Section 3. All ordinances, resolutions, and codes, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance authorized herein are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

Section 5. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the City hereby declares that this Ordinance would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

Section 6. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Ordinance, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall be effective upon the date of final adoption hereof and any publication required by law.

PASSED ON FIRST READING, the 3rd of May, 2022.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED ON SECOND READING, the ____ day of _____, 2022.

Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary, Brenda Dennis

City Seal

EXHIBIT A

The Interview Committee met on March 21, 2022 to discuss the expiration dates of all the Boards.

The following changes are recommended:

1. The Boards, Commissions and Committees will have different expiring term dates for the volunteer members.
2. The following Boards will have a June 30th term expiration date:
Board of Adjustments
Planning and Zoning
Library Advisory Board
Capital Improvement Advisory Committee
3. The following Boards will have a September 30th term expiration date:
The Schertz Economic Development Corporation
Building and Standards Commission
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
4. The following Boards will have a March 31st term expiration date:
The Reinvestment Zone Number Two Committee
Schertz Historical Preservation Committee
The Transportation and Safety Advisory Committee

See attached spreadsheet.

EXHIBIT B- Interview Process

The Interview Committee met on March 21, 2022 to discuss the process of appointments and reappointments of volunteer members.

1. The Chair of the Board and the Volunteer Member will be notified by the City Secretary's Office that the volunteer member's term is expiring in approximately 45 days and if the volunteer member wants to be reappointed, they will need to resubmit an application to be reappointed to the Board they wish to serve on. If there are new applications from volunteer members wishing to serve, they will be interviewed by the Interview Committee at the same timeframe the interviews for reappointment are to be scheduled.
2. At the end of the term, if the volunteer member would like to be reappointed to their Board, they will go through the Interview Process. The Interview Process consists of the volunteer member being interviewed by the Interview Committee and if approved, be recommended for reappointment to the Board.
3. The Chair of each Board has the privilege to recommend to the Interview Board reappointing the volunteer member at the 2-year and 4-year service mark without going through Interview Process. The Chair of the Board or Vice-Chair may be at the volunteer member's interview to make the recommendation to reappoint the volunteer member.
4. The Interview Committee with a simple majority vote, may bypass the Chair's privilege and request that the volunteer member go through the complete interview process.