

CITY OF LAVON, COLLIN COUNTY TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO: 2011-07-01

Amending the Code of Regulations Relating to Requiring Posting for all Ordinances, Resolutions, Orders or Directives

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAVON, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS AMENDING THE CITY OF LAVON CODE OF REGULATIONS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lavon has previously adopted the City of Lavon Code of Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lavon recognizes that the creation of the initial Code of Regulations is a monumental task and as such recognizes the need to approve each piece of the code as it is written; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has given due and diligent thought to this concern; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the best interest for the City of Lavon, its citizens and visitors to foster open and transparent government by amending the City of Lavon Code of Regulations relating to requiring posting for all Ordinances, Resolutions, Orders or Directives.

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Amending the City of Lavon Code of Regulations

1.1 The City Council of the City of Lavon does hereby adopt and approve the following amendments to the *City of Lavon Code of Regulations Title 3 Administration, Subtitle 5 Ethics, Chapter 1 Legislative Branch Rules of Order and Procedure*:

1.1.1 Immediately following *Section 3.5.1.61 City Manager and City Attorney as Procedure Advisors* insert the following Section:

3.5.1.62 Required Posting of all Ordinances, Resolutions, Orders or Directives.

A) Except in cases of emergency, prior to any discussion or action on the item, each Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Directive of the City Council must be:

1) Posted on the City web site for the same number of hours and in conjunction with the City Council Meeting Agenda Notice.

B) At each City Council Meeting where an Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Directive is to be discussed or considered, the City Secretary shall prepare no less than five (5) full copies of the item and distribute them randomly to the audience in attendance at the meeting; prior to the start of the meeting.

C) Any action taken on any Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Directive not in compliance with this Section shall render the action void able.

D) Adopted amendments shall not require reposting.

SECTION 2. Directing the City Secretary to Take Certain Actions

2.1 The City Council of the City of Lavon does hereby direct the City Secretary to make the changes in the City of Lavon Code of Regulations by:

2.1.1 Submitting to the City Manager for their approval a change sheet to be inserted in the Code of Regulations; and

2.1.2 Making the Change in the Master Code of Regulations by inserting the approved change sheet; and

2.1.3 Recording the change information in the "Record of Amendments" appendix including the Ordinance authorizing the amendment; the date the Ordinance was approved; and the date the actual change was entered; and

2.1.4 Sending change sheets to each department of the City, to update their copy of the Code of Regulations; and

2.1.5 Cause the website to be updated to reflect the amendment; and

2.1.6 Ensure all future distributions of the Code of regulations include the amendments; and

2.1.7 Make available for purchase copies of the change sheet to interested parties.

SECTION 3. Severability

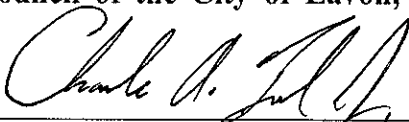
3.1 It is hereby declared by the City Council of the City of Lavon that if any of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise illegal by the valid judgment or decree of any court of

competent jurisdiction, such event shall not effect any remaining the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Effective Date

4.1 This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and it is so ordained.

Passed and Approved by the City Council of the City of Lavon, Collin County, Texas on this 5th day of July, 2011.



The Honorable Charles Teske, Mayor

Attest:



Linda Ardis, City Secretary

Primary Sponsor(S):
Alderman Bodwell

Additional Sponsors: