

ORDINANCE NO. 12-3038

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2. "ADMINISTRATION", ARTICLE IV. "BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES", DIVISION 5. "CULTURAL COMMISSION" OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Bedford, Texas has determined to increase the membership of the Cultural Commission with the addition of two alternate members.

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 2. "Administration", Article IV. Boards, Commissions and Committees, Division 5. "Cultural Commission" of the City of Bedford Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follow:

Sec. 2-232. - Creation.

(a) There is hereby created a cultural commission, which shall be composed of seven members, four of which are residents of the City of Bedford, two of which are members of ARTSNET to include the president and one additional board member, and one community member representing the HEB Chamber of Commerce. The commission shall also include two alternate members, each a resident of the City of Bedford, to serve in the absence of one or more of the regular members.

(b) Each member of the commission, excluding the ARTSNET members and Chamber representative, will apply for membership on the commission and be formally appointed by the city council.

(c) The city council will appoint the chairperson and vice-chairperson of the commission.

Sec. 2-233. - Ex officio members.

One ex officio member shall be a member of the city council and shall serve as liaison between the commission and the city council. One ex officio member shall be the city manager or his/her designee.

Sec. 2-234. - Terms staggered.

Except for the ex officio members, the members of the cultural commission shall serve for a two-year period. The term of the commissioners shall be staggered so that four members of the commission shall be appointed in even numbered years and three members in odd numbered years. One alternate member shall be appointed in an even numbered year and one alternate member shall be appointed in an odd numbered year.

Sec. 2-235. - Powers and duties.

The duties of the cultural district commission include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Develop a strategic plan for the Bedford Cultural District.**
- (2) Create an identity and awareness for the cultural district.**
- (3) Identify various types of artists and their associations and encourage the use of the Bedford Cultural District for their diverse artistic activities to continue and strengthen the relationship already established within the art community.**
- (4) Coordinate with ARTSNET, OnStage, the local/regional art community, and the school district.**
- (5) Work with staff and outside groups to develop a plan and flow chart of activities that will**

take place during the year.

(6) Continuously communicate cultural district activities to the general public and council, mayor and staff, and provide periodic reports to the council.

(7) Explore and seek out federal, state and local grant opportunities.

(8) Provide input on the types of business ideally suited for the cultural district.

(9) Assist economic development, as directed, in researching to identify target businesses likely to locate in a cultural district.

(10) Other duties as directed by the city council from time to time.

Sec. 2-236. - Meetings.

The cultural commission shall meet as called at a time and date to be decided by the commission. The city council will appoint a chair and vice-chair, such officers to serve terms of one year each. Absences from meetings shall be regulated pursuant to Section 2-170 of the Code of Ordinances.

SECTION 2. That all other ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That if any section, paragraph, clause, phrase, or provision of this ordinance, shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the validity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, phrase, or provision shall not effect any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

PRESENTED AND PASSED this 9th day of October 2012, by a vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions, at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas.

Jim Griffin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Wells, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stan Lowry, City Attorney