

City of Lago Vista, Texas

ORDINANCE No. 15-03-19-01

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA, TEXAS, CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A GOLF COURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS, TERMS AND MEMBERSHIP, DEFINING THEIR FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, the development of the municipal golf course facilities is an important factor in contributing to the quality of life in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to solicit the input and recommendations of interested citizens with regard to the City's golf courses, the funding or budgeting of activities or items that impact the golf courses, the acquisition of equipment, facilities or other items that may facilitate or be needed by the golf courses; and

**WHEREAS**, the establish of a Golf Course Advisory Committee represents a practical and prudent method in which to obtain input, advice, and recommendations from interested citizens

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGO VISTA, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1. Findings.** The above and foregoing recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein as findings of fact.

**SECTION 2. Addition to Chapter 9, Article 9.2000, Golf Course Advisory Committee.** New Article 9.2000, Golf Course Advisory Committee of Chapter 9, Personnel, Sections 9.2001(Created; membership), 9.2002 (Terms of members), 9.2003 (Vacancies), 9.2004 (Removal of members for absence to meetings), 9.2005 (Qualifications of members), 9.2006 (Chairperson, Vice-Chair and Secretary), 9.2007 (Duties), 9.2008 (Quorum and Voting), 9.2009 (Meetings), 9.2010 (Attendance at Council Meetings), and 9.2011 (Distribution of information from City Council), are hereby added as follows:

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**Article 9.2000. Golf Course Advisory Committee**

**Sec. 9.2001 Created; membership**

There is hereby created a golf course advisory committee, hereinafter called "the committee," consisting of seven (7) members. There shall also be one member of the governing body appointed as a liaison for the committee. Said member shall be appointed by the council but shall have no voting privilege. The members of the committee shall be appointed by the city council.

**Sec. 9.2002 Term of members**

The term of the first three (3) members appointed shall expire on December 31, 2015. The term of the remaining four (4) members appointed shall expire on December 31, 2016. Thereafter, all members shall be appointed for terms of two (2) years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. There shall be no limits on the number of terms a person may serve on the committee. Newly appointed members shall be installed at the first regular meeting after their appointment. All committee members shall serve without compensation.

**Sec. 9.2003 Vacancies**

Vacancies shall be filled for an unexpired term in the manner in which original appointments are required to be made.

**Sec. 9.2004 Removal of members for absence from meetings**

Continued absence of any member from regular meetings of the committee shall, at the discretion of the city council, render any such member liable for immediate removal from the committee.

**Sec. 9.2005 Qualifications of members**

All members of the committee shall reside in the corporate limits of the city and have resided therein for at least twelve (12) consecutive months preceding his/her appointment; shall not be in financial arrears to the City for any reason; and shall be qualified electors of the city. The City Council will consider for appointment to the committee only those persons who have demonstrated their civic interest, general knowledge of the community, independent judgment, interest and knowledge of golf courses, marketing, management and operations and availability to prepare for and attend meetings. It is the intent of the City Council that members shall, by reason of diversity of their occupations, backgrounds, and experience, constitute a committee which is broadly representative of the community. Other than the initial selection, members shall be appointed to the committee by the council based upon the recommendation of the council liaison.

**Sec. 9.2006 Chairperson, Vice-Chair and Secretary**

The chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary of the committee shall be elected annually by a majority of the members of the committee. The first chairman shall be elected at the beginning of the first meeting held after the members are appointed, and each successive chairman shall be elected at the first meeting held after new full-term appointments to the commission are made. In the absence of both the chairperson and the vice-chairperson, the board shall select an acting chair for that committee meeting. The secretary shall be responsible for the official minutes of all meetings of the committee.

**Sec. 9.2007 Duties**

1. The committee shall act in an advisory capacity only, and shall have no power to bind the city by contract or otherwise; authorize any expenditures out of the City's budget; hire, appoint or terminate staff; interfere with administrative or personnel affairs; nor create any other obligation on the part of the City.
2. It shall be the function of the committee to advise the city council concerning the operation, marketing, policies, and programs of the city's municipal golf courses.
3. The committee shall make a semi-annual report to the city council on the status of the golf courses in December and June and shall include in the report a summary of its activities for the past six months and proposed program for the next six months.

**Sec. 9.2008 Quorum and Voting.**

A quorum shall consist of a chair and three (3) voting members present as a called regular or special meeting. A motion may be made by any member other than the chairperson. A motion to recommend the City Council take action or adopt a policy shall require four (4) favorable votes of the members present. The chairperson shall not have any veto authority.

**Sec. 9.2009 Meetings**

The committee shall meet at regular intervals (at least once every two months), with advance notice posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Additionally, meetings may be called upon request of the chairman, upon written request of four (4) members, or council designee that a matter requires the consideration of the committee.

**Sec. 9.2010 Attendance at city council meetings**

At any city council meeting that has an agenda item relating to the golf course, the committee chair or an appointee will be requested to attend.

**Sec. 9.2011 Distribution of information from city council**

All members of the committee shall be copied with all pertinent distributed council materials involving the golf courses, except those materials involving the sale of a golf course or litigation.

**Secs. 9.2012–9.2025 Reserved**

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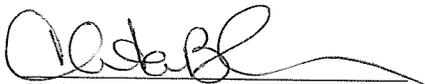
**SECTION 3. Conflicting Ordinances.** All ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance as adopted and amended herein, are hereby amended to the extent of such conflict. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this ordinance and any other code or ordinance of the city, the terms and provisions of this ordinance shall govern.

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage on the date shown below.

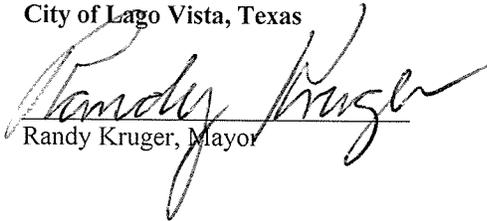
**SECTION 5. Open Meeting.** It is hereby officially found and determined that this meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, *Chapt. 551, Tex. Gov't Code*.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.**

ATTEST:

  
Christina Buckner, City Secretary

City of Lago Vista, Texas

  
Randy Kruger, Mayor