

ORDINANCE NO. 2051

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VII ETHICS, SECTION 2-152 OF THE TOWN OF HOLLYWOOD PARK CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CONFIRM THE REQUIREMENTS OR DUTIES THAT HAVE BEEN EXPRESSLY ASSIGNED TO A SPECIFIC CITY OFFICIAL ARE NOT CIRCUMVENTED.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hollywood Park City Council had previously adopted a code of ethics and conduct; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hollywood Park City Council finds amendments to clarify that requirements or duties that have been expressly assigned to a specific city official shall not be circumvented for better enforcement of the conduct by City officials and employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hollywood Park City Council finds these changes are for the benefit of the citizens of Hollywood Park and the public as a whole and are part of the operation of good governance.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HOLLYWOOD PARK, TEXAS** that Chapter 2, Article VII - Ethics, Section 2-152 Standards of Conduct, of the Town of Hollywood Park Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and all shall read as follows:

**Sec. 2-152. Standards of conduct.**

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- (i) Policy role of city officials and employees. City officials shall respect and adhere to the Town of Hollywood Park's governmental structure as outlined in the code of ordinances, policies and procedures. Except as provided by city ordinance, no city officials shall interfere with the administrative functions of the city or the performance of any employees' official duties; nor shall they impair employees' ability to implement city council policy decisions. City officials shall not circumvent, nor cause to be circumvented, requirements or duties that have been expressly assigned to a specific city official by ordinance or resolution. Further, city officials shall not intentionally obstruct or prevent the receiving of information requested by other city officials who have a definitive right to obtain the information in the performance of their duties.

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**II.  
CUMULATIVE CLAUSE**

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of the Hollywood Park Code of Ordinances except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of a prior existing Ordinance, in which event the conflicting provisions of the prior existing Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**III.  
SEVERABILITY**

That it is hereby declared to be the intent of the City Council for the Town of Hollywood Park that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance should be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of the Ordinances, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrases, sentences, paragraphs, or sections.

**IV.  
PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING**

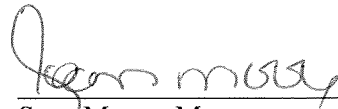
It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

**V.  
EFFECTIVE DATE**


This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication as required by state and local law.

**Passed** by the City Council of the Town of Hollywood Park this the 20 day of February, 2024.

APPROVED:

  
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Sean Moore, Mayor

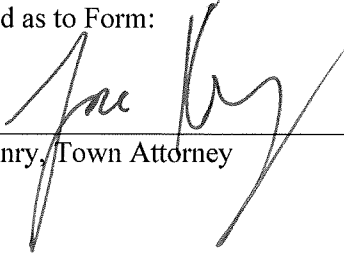
Attest:



Patrick Aten, Town Secretary



Approved as to Form:



Ryan Henry, Town Attorney