

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS, AND EMPOWERING THE BOARD TO DEVELOP AND RECOMMEND POLICIES, PROCEDURES, RATE STRUCTURES AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL GOLF TO THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene has owned a municipal golf course that has been in operation for more than fifty years; and

WHEREAS, during the time that the City of Abilene has owned a municipal golf course the Parks Board has been responsible for the oversight of its operation; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Board passed a resolution at its meeting on March 10, 2009 whereby the Board relinquished its oversight of municipal golf courses within the City of Abilene, effective upon the creation and appointment of a Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Abilene, the preservation of the municipal golf course presently owned by the City of Abilene, and the future of municipal golf within the City of Abilene, to create a board dedicated to studying and recommending best practices for municipal golf to the City Council;

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

Section 1: There is hereby established a Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board for the City of Abilene, Texas.

Section 2: That the Board shall be comprised of seven citizens of the City of Abilene and shall be appointed by the Mayor with approval of the City Council.

Section 3: That the purpose of the Board shall be to make recommendations to the City Council to assist in developing and overseeing municipal golf programs and courses to meet the needs of the community, specifically including: the enhancement of junior and women's golf programs by seeking creative ways to obtain public and private funding of municipal golf through grants and partnering opportunities; and, to continually study and seek best practices in the industry to accomplish that purpose.

PASSED ON FIRST READING this 2nd day of April A.D. 2009.

A notice of the time and place, where and when said ordinance would be given a public hearing and considered for final passage, was published in the Abilene Reporter-News, a daily newspaper of general circulation in the City of Abilene, said publication being on

the 5th day of April, 2009, the same being more than twenty-four (24) hours prior to a public hearing to be held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall in Abilene, Texas, at 8:30 a.m., on the 9th day of April, 2009, to permit the public to be heard prior to final consideration of this ordinance. Said ordinance becomes effective immediately as provided by Section 18 of the Charter of the City of Abilene.

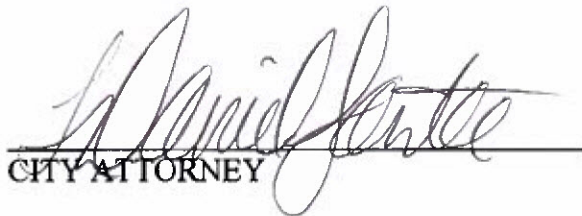
PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this 9th day of April A.D. 2009.

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY


MAYOR

APPROVED:


CITY ATTORNEY