

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLESON, TEXAS, FORMALLY REQUESTING THAT THE CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON COUNTY CONDUCT A REAPPRAISAL OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Burleson, Texas (“City”), is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County (“JCAD”) is responsible for appraising property within the district for ad valorem tax purposes pursuant to the Texas Property Tax Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Burleson has confirmed that certain categories of property, including commercial property, are not subject to annual reappraisal under the current JCAD reappraisal plan; and

WHEREAS, Texas Tax Code § 6.155 prohibits members of a taxing unit’s governing body from communicating directly with appraisal district staff for the purpose of influencing property valuations, but does not preclude a governing body from formally directing requests to the appraisal district board of directors through an official resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to exercise this authority in a lawful and transparent manner to ensure the accuracy and fairness of commercial property valuations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLESON, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1.

The City Council hereby formally requests that the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County direct a reappraisal of commercial property within the district to ensure appraisals are accurate, equitable, and reflective of current market values. The City Council further respectfully requests that JCAD provide a report of its findings and any subsequent reappraisal adjustments to all taxing entities within the district.

Section 2.

The City Council hereby directs that the City Secretary deliver a copy of this resolution to the Board of Directors of JCAD immediately upon adoption.

Section 3.

This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND SO RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Burleson, Texas, on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Chris Fletcher, Mayor
City of Burleson, Texas

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Amanda Campos, City Secretary

E. Allen Taylor, Jr., City Attorney