ORDINANCE NO. 2011 - 017

AN ORDINANCE ASSIGNING RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD TO THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City of Castroville wishes to streamline the development process and eliminate functional overlap in the review of development projects; and

WHEREAS, the City's Design Review Board and the City's Landmark Commission have similar duties; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to ensure that there is sufficient citizen participation to support its boards and commissions; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTROVILLE, TEXAS:

- 1. Notwithstanding any other ordinance, any development application or other administrative matter requiring the approval of the Design Review Board based upon authority granted by the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 59 of the Code of Ordinances, or any other applicable regulation is henceforth to be automatically referred to the Landmark Commission (also known to as the Historic Landmark Commission) for consideration, recommendation, or approval.
- 2. The Landmark Commission of the City of Castroville is hereby authorized and empowered to rule on matters previously subject to the Design Review Board, including but not limited to historic properties, historic buildings, properties within commercial districts, and sign applications.
- 3. That the current members of the Design Review Board be assigned, either as members or alternate members, to the Landmark Commission.
- 4. That, except for the general assignment of design review matters to the Landmark Commission, the review requirements and review criteria imposed upon those seeking to develop property within the City of Castroville remains unchanged.
- 5. That if any provision of this ordinance shall be held void or unconstitutional, it is hereby provided that all other parts of the same which are not held void or unconstitutional shall remain in full force and effect.

6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage, approval and official publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011.

ROBERT LEE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DEBRA HOWE, CITY SECRETARY