ORDINANCE NO. 25-113

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SWEENY, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO THE CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS, COMPOSITION, APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS; AND FINDING FACT.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Sweeny has established a tax rate that includes additional revenue to the City of \$450,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has restricted those funds to certain capital improvements, limited to streets, drainage and parks, subject to City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish a capital improvement committee, including citizens of the city, to recommend to the City Council how and on what projects those funds are expended.

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

Section One (1): That the findings of fact recited herein are found to be true and correct.

Section Two (2): The City Council of the City of Sweeny, hereby establishes a Capital Improvement Committee within the City which shall have the power to recommend to the City Council the specific capital improvement projects on which the funds identified above, and including other funds identified or designated by the city for capital improvements, shall be prioritized for construction and completion.

Section Three (3): The Capital Improvement Committee shall consist of seven members. Five of the members will be citizen members who shall either reside in the City of Sweeny, or own property subject to taxation by the City of Sweeny and who will serve without compensation. Two of the members of the Capital Improvement Committee shall be City Council persons. The City Manager and City Public Works Director shall serve as advisory members of the Committee.

Section Four (4): The five citizen members of the Capital Improvement Committee, shall be appointed by the City Council for two year terms. Three of the citizen members shall be appointed in odd numbered years and two of the citizen members shall be appointed in even numbered years. The appointments

shall be made by the City Council in October of each year. Any member may be removed from committee membership by the City Council at will. The two City Council members shall be appointed to the committee in October of each year.

Section Five (5): The Capital Improvement Committee shall elect a Chairman and Secretary annually in October after new members are appointed by the City Council. A quorum shall consist of four members. An affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum shall be necessary to pass on any question. Meetings shall be held as needed and all meetings shall be subject to the Open Meetings Act. A record of all proceedings shall be kept and filed with the person performing the duties of secretary.

Section Six (6): The Capital Improvement Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity. The Committee shall advise and assist the City in any proposed capital expenditures for streets, drainage and parks and make recommendations to the City Council of those projects it determines will be best for the City. The City Manager and City Public Works Director shall assist the Capital Improvement Committee with any information or data necessary for the Committee to make its recommendations to the City Council. Any recommendations from the Capital Improvement Committee shall be forwarded to the City Council which shall make all final decisions regarding capital improvements.

Section Seven (7): That the City Council finds and declares that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed complied with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Section Eight (8): This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon

passage.		7 1
PASSED AND APPROVED this	_ day of	, 2025.
	DUSTY HOPKINS, Mayor of the City of Sweeny, Texas	
ATTEST:		

KAYDI SMITH, City Secretary