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THE CITY OF WOODCREEK ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03-27-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODCREEK, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CITY OF WOODCREEK CODE OF ORDINANCES AT TITLE III ("ADMINISTRATION"), CHAPTER 30 ("OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES AND ORGANIZATIONS"); PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND MOBILITY PANEL.

- 8 WHEREAS the City of Woodcreek ("City") is a Texas General Law Municipality operating
 9 under the laws of the State of Texas; and
- 10WHEREASCity Council has previously created a Platinum Panel to (1) advise the City Council on11roads, traffic, drainage and funding sources related to all transportation, including12alternative forms; (2) secure public input in this process; and (3) promote transparency13in the process of creating a Master Transportation Plan and assist in advising on14decisions to secure funding for road improvements. The Platinum Panel shall be viewed15an independent body; and
- 16WHEREASthe City Council finds and determines it in the best interests of the City to revise the17scope of work, structure of said Panel and to rename it; and
- 18WHEREASthe City Council of the City of Woodcreek, Texas finds that these amendments to the19Code of Ordinances follow state law.
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21 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODCREEK, TEXAS, THAT:

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- **Section 1**. The foregoing recitals are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part hereof for all purposes and findings of fact.
- 25Section 2.The City Code of Ordinances at Title III, Chapter 30 ("the "Code"), is hereby amended to repeal26sections 30.80 to read as follows:
- 27 28 **§ 30.8**(
 - § 30.80 Popular Name
 - This subchapter shall be commonly cited as the "Infrastructure and Mobility Panel".
- 31 § 30.81 Purpose
- (A) This subchapter creates an Infrastructure and Mobility Panel ("I&M Panel") whose purpose
 shall be to make recommendations on road maintenance, traffic safety, drainage and funding
 sources related to all transportation. To accomplish these tasks, the I&M Panel shall study,
 investigate and develop plans and recommendations to Council for approval. The I&M Panel
 should be prepared to provide monthly reports at regular City Council meetings.

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38	The scope of the I&M Panel shall include, but not be limited to, the following:				
39	i. A Road Maintenance Plan to strategically outline a schedule for the funding and				
40	performance of regular road maintenance within the City limits of the City of				
41	Woodcreek.				
42 43	ii. A Fiscal Capacity Plan to anticipate and plan for future improvements to existing and proposed infrastructure. This may include, but is not limited to, the following:				
44	a) acquisition of new land for the installation of additional parks, trails and				
45	other public greenspaces;				
46	b) acquisition of new land for the construction of a community meeting place,				
47	the expansion of City Hall, or other such governmental properties; and				
48	c) physical improvements upon existing public lands, such as parks,				
49	greenspaces and other government properties.				
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51	iii. A Drainage and Flooding Mitigation Plan which may include, but is not limited				
52	to, the following:				
53	a) conduct a study to identify key projects;				
54	b) seek potentials for outside funding;				
55	c) create a plan of action, listing a prioritization of proposed projects; and				
56	d) advise Council on solutions utilizing engineering input and feasibility				
57	analysis.				
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59	iv. A Pedestrian Mobility Plan to address ADA Compliant pedestrian pathways to				
60	safely access parks and trails located within the City limits and its Extra				
61	Territorial Jurisdiction ("ETJ"); and provide for an expansion of trails for the				
62	purpose of promoting an outdoor exercise loop. This may include, but is not				
63	limited to, the following:				
64 65	 a feasibility study with cost analysis; b) professional survey and manning, and a 				
	b) professional survey and mapping; and a				
66 67	 c) review of any bid packages and contracts related to the installation of such improvements 				
67 68	such improvements.				
69	v. A Traffic Calming Plan which may include, but is not limited to, the following:				
70	 v. A Traffic Calming Plan which may include, but is not limited to, the following: a) make recommendations on changes to existing, or the addition of, 				
70	signage, passive calming devices and other infrastructure improvements				
72	throughout the City limits of the City of Woodcreek; and				
73	b) a plan and budget for regular traffic patrols and reports including the				
74	monitoring of				
75	traffic data from City-owned electronic devices; and				
76	c) may seek engineering judgement and/or review, as needed.				
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78	vi. Conduct a study, review and report of additional mobility challenges and				
79	infrastructure improvement needs as they may arise.				
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81 (B) The I&M Panel shall be viewed as an independent Advisory Body to the City Council and is 82 hereby given explicit permission to work directly with the City of Woodcreek's contracted 83 City Engineering Firm, through the City Manager, to develop and review plans under their 84 purview, as stated in Section 30.81(A). 85 86 (C) The I&M Panel shall conduct a biennial review of the plans under their purview, as stated in 87 Section 30.81(A) and provide regular reports to the City Council. 88 89 (D) To conduct this work, the I&M Panel shall seek public input through surveys and Town Halls. 90 Any public survey or Town Hall presentation generated shall be reviewed and must be 91 approved by City Council. 92 93 (E) The I&M Panel shall promote transparency in their processes. 94 95 § 30.82 Creation & Composition 96 The I&M Panel shall consist of seven(7) Panel Members; five(5) Regular (A) Membership: 97 Panel Members and two(2) Alternate Panel Members. No member of the I&M Panel may be 98 a member of the City Council. 99 (B) Appointment: Each of Woodcreek's five(5) Council Members shall make one(1) Regular 100 Panel Member nomination and the Mayor shall make two(2) Alternate Panel Member 101 nominations, specifically a First and Second Alternate Panel Member. All nominations shall 102 be confirmed by a majority vote of the City Council. In the event that any Council Members, 103 or the Mayor, refuses, or is unable, to make a nomination, the vacancy may be filled by the 104 majority vote of the remaining members of the City Council. 105 (C) Alternate Members: Alternate Members shall sit in the place of an absent 106 Regular Panel Member, with selection being in order of their alternate designation. 107 Alternate Panel Members are encouraged, but not required, to attend all meetings and may 108 participate in all discussions, when present. However, Alternate Panel Members may only 109 vote when sitting in the place of an absent Regular Panel Member. 110 § 30.83 Terms, Resignation, Vacancy & Removal 111 112 (A) The terms of Regular and Alternate Panel Members shall coincide with the term of the 113 Council Member and Mayor who nominated the Panel Member and will expire upon the 114 Nominating Officer's term of office ending. In even numbered years, three(3) newly elected 115 members of Council shall make a nomination for a Regular Panel Member. In odd numbered 116 years, two(2) newly elected members of Council shall make a nomination for a Regular Panel 117 Member and the newly elected Mayor shall make a nomination for two(2) Alternate Panel 118 Members. 119 (B) Any Panel Member may resign by submitting written notice to the City Secretary, as the 120 Records Management Officer for the City. Resignations will be effective when received. 121 Upon receipt of resignation, the City Secretary shall as soon as administratively possible, 122 send such resignation to the Chairperson, The Mayor and the Panel Liaison.

123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136	 (C) All vacancies shall be filled on a nomination from the Council Member who nominated the Resigning Panel Member. Upon confirmation by a majority vote of Council, the newly appointed Panel Member shall fill the unexpired term of the vacated seat. (D) Members may be removed from the I&M Panel by a majority vote of the Council Members. By a majority vote, the I&M Panel may make a recommendation to the Council regarding the removal of a member of their Panel. (E) Members of the I&M Panel shall continue to serve on the Panel until their replacement has been appointed by Council, unless the Panel Member submits a letter of resignation, in which case, the Panel Member shall have no further authority, duties or obligations in regard to the Panel. (F) To be considered for appointment or re-appointment to the I&M Panel, a Volunteer Application must be completed and submitted to the City Secretary, as the Records Management Officer for the City. City Staff shall present all completed Volunteer Applications to the Council for their consideration of I&M Panel appointments.
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138	§ 30.84 Duties & Meetings
139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147	 (A) The I&M Panel shall meet at such regular and special times as necessary to efficiently carry out the Panel's purpose. Regular meetings are to be set by order of the Panel and Special Meetings are to be called by the Chairperson. At a minimum, there shall be two(2) meetings per year. (B) Any recommendation of the I&M Panel shall result from a majority vote of the Regular Panel Members. However, any recommendation is merely a recommendation and is not binding on the City Council. Any final decision on topics for which the I&M Panel has made a recommendation rest with the City Council.
148	§ 30.85 Officers
149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158 159 160	 (A) The I&M Panel shall choose its own Officers from among its Regular Panel Members. Officers shall be elected for terms of one(1) year by majority vote of all its membership present and voting, including Alternates Panel Members. Officers shall include Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and a Secretary. (B) The Chairperson's sole duty shall be to preside over all meetings in accordance with any rules the I&M Panel may establish. The Chairperson may vote. If the Chairperson fails or refuses to act, the Vice-Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson. If the Chairperson and Vice- Chairperson are absent, any Panel Member may be appointed by the Panel to preside over the meeting. The Panel shall keep minutes of its proceedings. A majority of the Regular Panel Members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. (C) The Secretary's sole duty shall be to record the minutes of the meetings. Minutes are to be held by the City.
161	§ 30.86 Open Meetings Act
162 163	The Infrastructure and Mobility Panel shall comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act. The agenda will include a Public Comments Section, allowing the Public the right to speak.

164 **SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**: Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this 165 Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with 166 jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance. 167 All provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

168 **CUMULATIVE CLAUSE**: This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City 169 except where provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which 170 event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

171 **REPEALER CLAUSE**: All Ordinances, Resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any
 172 provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance
 173 shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.

174 **SAVINGS CLAUSE:** The repeal or amendment of any ordinance or part of ordinances effectuated by the 175 enactment of this ordinance shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of 176 such ordinance or as discontinuing, abating, modifying, or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue or as affecting 177 any right of the City of Woodcreek under any section or provisions of any ordinances in effect at the time of the 178 passage of this Ordinance.

PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING: It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this
 Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required 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. Notice
 was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

183 ENACTMENT: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its final passage and approval, as required by184 law.

PASSED,	ADOPTED A	ND APPROVED this		day of	, 2024,
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