ORDINANCE NO. 1049-10-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS TO CREATE A GOLF COURSE ADVISORY BOARD, PRESCRIBING ITS DUTIES, POWERS AND RULES OF OPERATION; TERM LIMITS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF ITS APPOINTED MEMBERS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Hondo, Texas is a duly incorporated Home Rule City, operating and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and the duly adopted Home Rule Charter of the City;

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 8.01 of the City of Hondo Home Rule Charter provides that the City Council shall create, establish or appoint, as may be required by the laws of the State of Texas, the City's Charter, or as deemed desirable by the City Council, such boards, commissions and committees as it deems necessary to carry out the functions and obligations of the City;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 8.01, the City Council shall, by ordinance or resolution, prescribe the purpose, composition, function, duties, accountability and tenure of each board, commission and committee where such are not prescribed by law or by the City’s Charter;

WHEREAS, the Hondo City Council recognizes the need for a Golf Course Advisory Board to regularly review existing policies and procedures regarding the management of the Hondo Municipal Golf Course; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Golf Course Advisory Board is to advise and make recommendations to the City Council and staff on matters relating to the City’s ownership, operation and maintenance of the Hondo Municipal Golf Course.

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

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION AND TERM

The City of Hondo’s Golf Course Advisory Board (referred to herein as “Board”) shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the City Council. The Board shall be composed of six (6) citizen members. Five (5) citizen members shall be qualified voters residing in the City of Hondo. The remaining one (1) citizen member may reside within the City of Hondo’s Extraterritorial Jurisdiction. The Board shall consist of an additional non-voting Liaison Member from the Hondo City Council. Board Members shall be appointed by the City Council for a term of office of two (2) years. Each member may be eligible to serve three consecutive two-year terms if reappointed by City Council. After three consecutive two-year terms have been served by a member, there must be a two-year interval in service before he/she may be reappointed to the Board by the City Council. In the event that a vacancy occurs during the term of any member, his/her successor shall be appointed by the City Council to serve for the unexpired position of the term.
The members of the Board shall be subject to removal from office by the City Council at any time for any cause determined by the Council to be in the best interest of the City of Hondo.

Nothing in this section prohibits a member appointed to the Board by the City Council to serve on a separate City Board or Commission consecutively after the expiration of his/her term on the Board.

SECTION 2. OFFICERS OF BOARD

Each year, the Board shall select a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its voting members, each to serve a term of one year.

SECTION 3. MEETINGS

The Board shall establish its own operating rules and procedures for conducting business. Such rules and regulations shall be consistent with City of Hondo ordinances and shall comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Four (4) voting members of the Board shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.

Any member of the Board who has a conflict of interest with an agenda item shall remove him/her self from participation and voting on the item.

The Chair shall provide the Board with all information necessary for the performance of its duties.

The Board shall keep and maintain minutes of any proceedings held and shall submit them to the City Secretary to provide a copy to the City Council following the meeting at which they are approved.

SECTION 4. COMPENSATION AND ADVISORY CAPACITY

All members of the Board shall serve without compensation. Reasonable travel related expenses incurred during the performance of duties shall be reimbursed when authorized by the City Manager.

The Board shall be of an advisory capacity only.

All recommendations from the Board must be by majority vote of the members present and must be submitted in writing to the City Manager for distribution to the City Council for the Council’s consideration.
SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY

If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its adoption and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2014.

[Signature]
JAMES W. DANNER, SR., MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Gloria Colbath, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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William M. McKamie, City Attorney