CITY OF LEONARD, FANNIN COUNTY TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO: 12082020A

City Council Meeting Times

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS: ESTABLISHING THE OFFICIAL MEETING TIME FOR THE CITY OF LEONARD CITY COUNCIL AND FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REPEALING ANY EXISTING MEETING TIME ORDINANCE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, chapter 551 of the Local Government Code requires governmental bodies to conduct their meetings open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Leonard recognizes that it is imperative to provide a clear meeting time; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Leonard recognizes that from time to time it becomes necessary to update this ordinance (021412C); and

WHEREAS, City Council of the City of Leonard believes it is in the best interest of the citizens and visitors to the City to establish the City of Leonard meeting time to begin at 6:30 P.M.

WHEREAS, City Council of the City of Leonard believes it is in the best interest of the citizens and visitors to the City to establish the City of Leonard meeting time to end at 10:00 P.M.

WHEREAS, upon any such circumstances in which a City Council meeting has remained in session until said end time of $\underline{10:00}$ P.M., such meeting SHALL reconvene on the following business day at $\underline{6:30}$ P.M.

WHEREAS, any such reconvened meeting SHALL end at the established time of 10:00 P.M. and so on, until all agenda items have been addressed per Local Government Code.

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

SECTION 1. REPEALING ORDINANCE 021412C

This ordinance shall repeal and replace the previously passed Ordinance 021412C.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

It is hereby declared by the City Council of the City of Leonard that if any of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise illegal by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such event shall not affect any remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. OPEN MEETING

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by law.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS ON THIS 12th DAY OF December, 2020.

Michael Pye, Mayor

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Leath Robinson, City Secretary