

**ORDINANCE NO. 3840**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, AMENDING ARTICLE III, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES TO ADD SECTION 2-120 BY RENUMBERING THE PROVISION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL TO CREATE COMMITTEES PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED IN SECTION 2-69; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES AND REPEAL CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS,** On December 11, 2023, the City Council amended Article II, Division 2, of the City Code of Ordinances restating the City Council Rules of Procedure; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 2-69, of the Code of Ordinances existing prior to the amendment of Article II, Division 2 of the City Code of Ordinances authorized the City Council to create committees as deemed necessary to advise the City Council and the City Manager; and

**WHEREAS,** Staff recommends renumbering Section 2-69 to be included in Article III, Boards Commissions and Committees, and renumbered as Section 2-120;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS, THAT:**

Section 1: The City Council hereby finds the recitals above to be true and correct, and such recitals are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance as if written herein.

Section 2: Article III, Division I, shall be amended to add Section 2-120 to read as follows:

**Sec. 2-120. – Creation of committees, boards and commissions.**

- (a) *City council committees.* The city council may, as need arises, authorize the appointment of ad hoc council committees. Except where otherwise provided by the city Charter, the mayor shall appoint members of the city council committees, subject to the approval of the council. Any committee so created shall cease to exist upon the accomplishment of the special purpose for which it was created or when abolished by a majority of the city council. No committee so appointed shall have powers other than advisory to the city council or the city manager, except as otherwise provided by city charter.

(b) *Citizen boards, commissions and committees.* The city council may create and establish other committees, boards and commissions to assist in the conduct of the city government with such duties as the city council may specify, not inconsistent with the city Charter or this Code. Memberships and selection of members shall be as provided by the city council if not specified by the city Charter. Any committees, boards or commissions so created shall cease to exist upon the accomplishment of the special purpose for which they were created, or when abolished by majority vote of the city council. No committee so appointed shall have powers other than advisory to the city council or the city manager, except as otherwise provided for in the city Charter. No committee so appointed shall have powers other than advisory to the city council or the city manager, except as otherwise provided by city Charter.

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Section 3: This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills, except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such Code, in which event conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such Code are hereby repealed.

Section 4: It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Section 5: All rights and remedies of the City of North Richland Hills are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any ordinances in the Code of Ordinances of the City of North Richland Hills that have accrued at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

Section 6: The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause the publication of this ordinance in accordance with applicable law.

Section 7: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage.

**AND IT IS SO ORDAINED.**

PASSED AND APPROVED on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

**CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS**

By:

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Oscar Trevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Alicia Richardson  
City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer

Approved as to Form and Legality:

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Cara White  
Interim City Attorney