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ORDINANCE NO. 018789

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL), CHAPTER 2.72 (BORDER RELATIONS) AND ORDINANCE NO. 17208 IN ITS ENTIRETY, ESTABLISHING THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON BORDER RELATIONS; TO UPDATE THE MEMBERSHIP SECTION 2.72.010 (ESTABLISHED – MEMBERSHIP) AND THE TERMS IN SECTION 2.72.020 (TERMS); TO REFERENCE THE BINATIONAL TASK FORCE IN SECTION 2.72.040 (DUTIES); AND TO DELETE SECTION 2.72.050 (INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SAFETY).

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 17208 amended Ordinance 8262, to add to the Committee on Border Relations, additional duties previously held by the International Bridge Commission, and to repeal Ordinances Nos. 9504 and 11188, which had previously amended Ordinance No. 8262; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 8262 established the standing Committee on Border Relations, required by the City Charter of the City of El Paso adopted in January of 1984; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance shall serve to amend Ordinance No. 17208, in order to update Chapter 2.72 of the El Paso City Code from its last revision in 2009, and in order to reactivate the Committee on Border Relations.

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

Section 1. That Chapter 2.72, Border Relations Commission, shall be revised to read as follows:

2.72 Committee on Board Relations

2.72.010 Established – Membership.

There is hereby established the Committee on Border Relations, consisting of citizens of the City of El Paso who shall be appointed in the manner provided for herein and in the Charter as it relates to appointments to boards and commissions.

A. The Committee shall consist of nine regular members. The council shall ensure that these nine regular members represent a broad section of the community including members of business, educational, cultural and civic

organizations. All appointments of regular members shall be for two-year terms.

B. A quorum of the Committee for purposes of the conduct of business shall be five members, regardless of the total number of members.

2.72.020 Terms.

The terms of office for each regular member of the Committee on Border Relations shall commence on June 1st and shall terminate on the last day of May. The Mayor and each Representative may make appointments during 2018. The initial term for the regular members nominated by the Mayor and Representatives in Districts 2, 3, 6 and 7 shall be for one-year, and they are eligible to serve for one additional consecutive two-year term. After 2018, all appointments shall be for two-year terms, on a staggered basis as described in this section. Except for those appointments made during 2018, the regular members nominated by the Mayor and the Representatives in Districts 2, 3, 6 and 7 shall begin and end in odd numbered years. The regular members nominated by the Representatives in Districts 1, 4, 5 and 8 shall begin and end in even numbered years. The members of the Committee on Border Relations serving on the effective date of this Ordinance shall remain in office and complete their current terms, and there shall be no break in service of the terms of the members due to the adoption of this Ordinance.

2.72.030 Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary; Rules and Regulations.

The Committee shall elect from among its members a Chair and a Vice-Chair, to serve in the absence of the Chair, and it shall adopt, subject to the approval of the City Council, such rules and regulations governing its proceedings, as it may deem proper. Such rules and regulations shall not be inconsistent with the Charter and Ordinances of the City. The City Manager shall designate or authorize a City staff member to act as secretary of the Committee, and shall keep a record of all transactions of the Committee and provide it with necessary information and staff support for the performance of its duties.

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2.72.040 Duties.

The Committee, working with the Mayor and with interested organizations and individuals in El Paso and Ciudad Juarez, shall consider issues and projects affecting the development or relations between the two communities, and affecting the border and the area in proximity to El Paso, and shall make recommendations to the City Council and the Binational Task Force or successor entity of the latter on programs or projects to enhance and benefit the relations between the two communities. Further, the Committee shall make such other reports and recommendations to the City Council, and/or to the Binational Task Force as necessary, in connection with the Committee's programs or projects as Council may require.

Section 2. Except as herein amended, Title 2 (Administration and Personnel) shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15th day of May 2018.

CITY OF EL PASO

Dee Margo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Josette Flores
Assistant City Attorney