ORDINANCE NO. 070824

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LORENZO, TEXAS: AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF LORENZO, TEXAS, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1.07, TO ADD A DIVISION 4 THAT CREATES AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CONTINUATION OF PRIOR LAW, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Lorenzo, Texas ("City,"), a Type A general law municipality, is authorized by state law to adopt and implement necessary and reasonable ordinances as necessary for the government, interest, welfare, or good order of the municipality and that is in the best interests of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds a public purpose in promoting and fostering private investment and job creation to ensure a sustainable business environment in the City of Lorenzo, Texas, and;

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the following ordinance is reasonable and beneficial and in the best interest of the residents of the City of Lorenzo, Texas;

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

SECTION 1. The findings and recitals outlined above are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted and approved.

SECTION 2. Chapter 1, Article 1.07 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Lorenzo, Texas is hereby amended by adding a Division 4 as follows:

§ 1.07.062 through § 1.07.080. (Reserved)

Division 4 Economic Development Advisory Committee

§ 1.07.081 Creation; powers and duties.

There is hereby created a committee to be known as the economic development advisory committee. The committee shall be advisory only and shall advise the city council and city staff on economic development strategies that promote and foster private investment and job creation to ensure a suitable business environment for the city. The committee shall meet as needed.

§ 1.07.082 Membership; terms; officers.

(a) The economic development advisory committee shall consist of seven regular members, made up of the mayor (or their designee) plus six members appointed by the city council.

(b) The six council-appointed members shall serve staggered two-year terms whereby three shall be appointed in odd-numbered years and the remaining three shall be appointed in even-numbered years. Accordingly, the initial terms for three members shall be for two years, and the initial terms for the other three members shall be for one year. The initial members shall draw straws to determine which three shall sever an initial term of two years.

(c) The offices of chair and vice chair shall be elected annually from among the committee's membership at its first meeting in the new calendar year. The city secretary or their designee shall serve as the secretary.

§ 1.07.083 through § 1.07.090. (Reserved)

SECTION 3. Severability. If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances for any reason is held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid or for any reason unenforceable, the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or the application thereby shall remain in effect, it being the intent of the City Council of the City of Lorenzo, Texas in adopting this ordinance, that no portion thereof or provision contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by any reasons of unconstitutionality of any other portion or provision.

SECTION 4. Repealer. Subject to the provision in Section 5 (Continuation of Prior Law), all ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of conflict with this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Continuation of prior law. Nothing in this ordinance or any code hereby adopted shall be construed so as to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause of action acquired existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed by this ordinance; nor shall any just, vested, or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this ordinance.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

Passed and approved this day of ______, 2024.

Sharda Lori Landin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Hernandez, City Secretary