

ORDINANCE # 031209

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SELMA TO AMEND PROVISIONS IN REGARD TO THE SELMA PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND TO ADD PROVISIONS IN REGARD TO THE SELMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION AND THE SELMA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Division 2 of Article III of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances has provisions in regard to the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Selma; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Selma believes that it is appropriate to amend Section 2-82 of the Code of Ordinances to delete the provision naming the city mayor as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Planning and Zoning Commission and to modify other portions of Section 2-82 and to amend Section 2-85 of the Code of Ordinances in regard to the frequency of meetings of the Planning and Zoning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a Selma Historical Commission has been appointed by the City Council of the City of Selma for many years but the matters concerning such Commission have not been part of the ordinances of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Selma believes that codifying certain matters relating to the Selma Historical Commission would be in the best interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Selma believes that it is appropriate and timely to create a Selma Parks and Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Selma believes that codifying certain matters relating to the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission would be in the best interest of the City.

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

1. Section 2-82 of Division 2 of Article III of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Selma is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-82. Appointment of members; terms; compensation. Five citizens who are registered voters and reside within the city limits and/or own property within the city limits shall be appointed by the City Council to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Appointed members shall serve for a period of two years. Three persons shall be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission for terms beginning in odd-numbered years. Two persons shall be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission for terms beginning in even-numbered years. All terms shall commence on July 1 but persons shall serve until their successors are appointed. Any vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission shall be filled by appointment by the City Council with the appointee to serve for the remainder of the term to which the appointee is appointed. All members of the Planning and Zoning Commission shall serve without compensation.

2. Section 2-85 of Division 2 of Article III of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Selma is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-85. Regular Meetings. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall meet monthly as necessary.

3. Division 3 of Article III of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Selma is hereby adopted to read as follows:

DIVISION 3. SELMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Sec. 2-91. Creation; composition. There is hereby created a Selma Historical Commission, which shall consist of five members.

Sec. 2-92. Appointment of members; term; compensation. Five citizens who are registered voters and reside within the city limits shall be appointed by the City Council to serve on the Selma Historical Commission. Appointed members shall serve for a period of two years. To create staggered terms, when the members of the Selma Historical Commission are first appointed after the adoption of this ordinance, three of such appointees shall be appointed for a term of two years and two of such appointees shall be appointed for a term of one year. Thereafter, all appointed members shall serve for a period of two years. All terms shall commence on July 1, but persons shall serve until their successors are appointed. Any vacancy on the Selma Historical Commission shall be filled by appointment by the City Council with the appointee to serve for the remainder of the term to which the appointee is appointed. All members of the Selma Historical Commission shall serve without compensation. The Mayor may appoint a member of the City Council to serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Selma Historical Commission.

Sec. 2-93. Chair and vice-chair. There shall be a chair and vice-chair of the Selma Historical Commission, who shall be appointed by the voting members of such Commission. The chair shall preside at all meetings where the chair is present. The vice-chair shall preside in the absence of the chair.

Sec. 2-94. Quorum. A quorum shall consist of three voting members of the Selma Historical Commission.

Sec. 2-95. Regular meetings. The Selma Historical Commission shall meet monthly as necessary.

Sec. 2-96. Duties. The Selma Historical Commission shall consider and make recommendations to the City Council in regard to matters related to historic public properties located within the city limits.

4. Division 4 of Article III of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby adopted to read as follows:

DIVISION 4. SELMA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Sec. 2-101. Creation; composition. There is hereby created a Selma Parks and Recreation Commission, which shall consist of five members.

Sec. 2-102. Appointment of members; term; compensation. Five citizens who are registered voters and reside within the city limits shall be appointed by the City Council to serve on the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission. Appointed members shall serve for a period of two years. To create staggered terms, when the members of the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission are first appointed after the adoption of this ordinance, three of such appointees shall be appointed for a term of two years and two of such appointees shall serve for a period of one year. Thereafter, all appointed members shall be appointed for a term of two years. All terms shall commence on July 1, but persons shall serve until their successors are appointed. Any vacancy on the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission shall be filled by appointment by the City Council with the appointee to serve for the remainder of the term to which the appointee is appointed. All members of the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission shall serve without compensation. The Mayor shall appoint a member of the City Council to serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission.

Sec. 2-103. Chair and vice-chair. There shall be a chair and vice-chair of the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission, who shall be appointed by the voting members of such Commission. The chair shall preside at all meetings where the chair is present. The vice-chair shall preside in the absence of the chair.

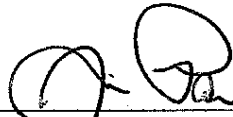
Sec. 2-104. Quorum. A quorum shall consist of three voting members of the Selma Parks and Recreation Commission.

Sec. 2-105. Regular meetings. The Selma Parks and Recreation Commission shall meet monthly as necessary.

Sec. 2-106. Duties. The Selma Parks and Recreation Commission shall consider and make recommendations to the City Council in regard to matters related to public parks located within the city limits.


5. Secs. 2-87 – 2-90, 2-97 – 2-100, and 2-107 – 2-120. Reserved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of March, 2009.



Jim Parma, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ken Roberts, City Secretary