

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1.04 "BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS ADDING A BEAUTIFICATION BOARD. PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Azle, Texas (the "City"), is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.07(f) of the Charter of the City of Azle, Texas authorizes the City Council to provide for such additional boards and commissions, not otherwise provided for in this charter, as may be deemed necessary, and appoint the members of all such boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Azle, Texas seeks to create a Beautification Board to Keep Azle Beautiful.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1

There is hereby created and established a Beautification Board for the City of Azle, Texas, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," to be composed of seven (7) voting members who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the City Council.

SECTION 2

MEMBERSHIP AND TERM

The Board shall be composed of a combination of the following, with no more than seven (7) members being appointed:

- Up to Three (3) members from the Azle City Council
- One (1) Azle ISD high school student who resides within the Azle city limits
- Up to Two (2) members may be nonresident owners or employees of businesses operating within the Azle city limits.
- Up to Three (3) resident citizens who are qualified voters.

The Board shall serve staggered two-year (2) terms with Places 1, 3, 5 and 7 expiring in odd-numbered years, and Places 2, 4 and 6 expiring in even-numbered years. The terms shall expire on October 31st of each year as referenced above.

The Board shall choose from its members a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The term of office shall be one (1) year with the term of office expiring on October 31st of each year. Officers may be re-elected.

SECTION 3

Rules and Regulations

The Board shall establish the time and place for holding regular meetings. The Board shall meet twice a year in a joint meeting with City Council to discuss community beautification including possibly presenting recommendations on beautification projects and programs for the city. On an annual basis, the Board shall present a report to the City Council.

SECTION 4

Purpose

The purpose of the Beautification Board will be to make the city a clean and attractive city in which to live, to maintain a healthy environment, to educate the city's citizens as to the ongoing process of keeping their city beautiful, and to generally beautify the city.

The Board shall consider the following aspects of a potential beautification program and shall make recommendations of each to the City Council for final approval: landscaping of city rights-of-way and city property; award programs for businesses and residential areas that beautify their areas through landscaping, maintenance, the abatement of litter or other methods; voluntary recycling, including the promotion and education of the need for recycling; the possibility of joining state or nation-wide groups that are focused on beautification; and how to involve the general public, the school system, the business community and homeowners in a beautification program.

SECTION 5

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Azle, Texas, as amended. Where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of any earlier ordinances and Code provisions, then the conflicting provisions of such earlier ordinances and Code provisions are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6

All rights or remedies of the City of Azle, Texas, are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the Code of Ordinances, or any amendments thereto 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, same shall not be affected by this Ordinance, but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

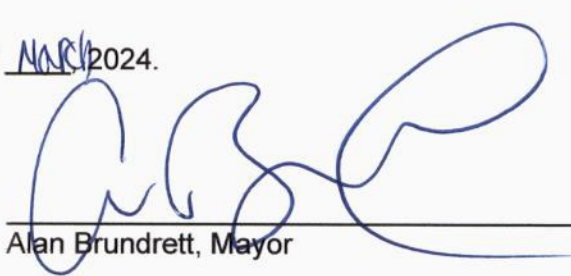
SECTION 7

It is hereby declared to be the intention to 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 unenforceable or invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unenforceability or invalidity 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 phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 8

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

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of MARCH 2024.




Alan Brundrett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Yael Forgey, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



Andrea Russell, City Attorney

