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**CITY OF SEABROOK
ORDINANCE NO. 2016-13**

**ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION
CHANGE IN FREQUENCY OF REQUIRED MEETING**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION," ARTICLE VI, "CODE OF ETHICS," DIVISION 2, "ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION," SECTION 2-209, "MEETINGS" BY CHANGING THE FREQUENCY OF REQUIRED MEETINGS FROM SEMI-ANNUALLY TO AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO FULFILL ITS RESPONSIBILITIES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Ethics Review Commission currently has a requirement to hold regular semi-annual meetings; and

WHEREAS, there have been no complaints for the Commission to consider in many years; and

WHEREAS, the City Secretary has recommended that Council reduce the number of required meetings from semi-annually to as may be necessary to fulfill its responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Council has agreed with these recommendations; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK, STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO THE CODE

That Chapter 2 entitled, "Administration," Article VI, "Code of Ethics," Division 2, "Ethics Review Commission", Section 2-209, "Meetings" of the Code of the City of Seabrook be amended as follows:

DIVISION 2. - ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION

Sec. 2-209. - Meetings.

The commission shall have [~~regular semi-annual~~] meetings [~~and such other meetings~~] as may be necessary to fulfill its responsibilities. The chairperson or any three members of the commission may call a meeting, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, provided that reasonable notice is given to each member and to any person who requests notice of such meetings.

39 (Code 1976, § 2-83(3); Code 1996, § 2-209; Ord. No. 2008-16, § 2, 8-5-2008; Ord. No. 2013-04,
40 § 1, 3-5-2013; Ord. No. 2013-24, § 1, 11-19-2013)

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42 Secs 2-210-2-230. Reserved

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44 **SECTION 2. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.**

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46 All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict herewith are, to the extent
47 of such inconsistency or conflict, hereby repealed.

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49 **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

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51 In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence, or any part of this Ordinance or the
52 application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid
53 or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or
54 invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared
55 to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Seabrook, Texas, declares
56 that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any
57 such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

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59 PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading this 5th day of April, 2016.

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61 PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on second and final reading this 19th day of April,
62 2016.

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65 By: _____
66 Glenn Royal
67 Mayor

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72 Robin Hicks, TRMC
73 City Secretary

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80 Steven L. Weathered
81 City Attorney