

TOWN OF ST. PAUL, TEXAS ORDINANCE NO. 8

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A PLANNING AND ZONING COMIMISSION FOR THE TOWN OF ST. PAUL, TEXAS; PRESCRIBING A METHOD OF APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COMMISSION AND FILLING VACANCIES THEREIN; SETTING THE TERM LIMIT OF OFFICE FOR THE MEMBERS AND THEIR COMPENSATION; PRESCRIBING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. Paul, Texas, has determined that the public health and welfare of residents of this town will be served and protected by adoption and enforcement of a comprehensive planning and zoning ordinance, and

WHEREAS, a necessary prerequisite to the adoption an equitable continued enforcement of such an ordinance would be the creation of a Planning and Zoning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. PAUL, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: It is hereby created and established for the Town of St. Paul, Texas, a Planning and Zoning Commission, hereinafter called The Commission.

SECTION 2: The Commission shall be composed of five members who shall be resident citizens and qualified voters of the Town. Appointments to the Commission shall be made by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the Town Council, and a member shall serve from June 1, of a year for a term of two (2) years and may be re-appointed to successive terms of office subject to approval by the Council. During the necessary organizational period hereof, two (2)

of said members shall serve a one (1) year term and three (3) of said members shall serve a two (2) year term, thereafter all members shall serve a (2) year term, thereafter all members shall serve as heretofore mentioned. Vacancies by death, resignation, disqualifications or otherwise shall be filled for the unexpired term by the appointee of the mayor subject to confirmation by the Town Council. All expired terms shall be filled as provided in the original appointments and in the same manner.

SECTION3: Members of The Commission may be removed by the mayor subject to the consent of the Town Council. Prior to such action, good cause, demonstrated in writing for the removal, shall be given to the member, and a public hearing shall be held before the Town Council.

SECTION 4: The members of The Commission shall serve without compensation.

SECTION5: The Commission shall elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman from its membership. The Chairman shall call and preside over all meetings of The Commission, and the Vice-Chairman shall perform all the duties of the Chairman in his absence.

SECTION 6: The Commission shall have the power to make rules, regulations, and bylaws for its own government, which rules shall conform as nearly as possible with those governing the Town Council; provided, however, that such rules shall be subject to approval by the Town Council. Such bylaws shall include, but not be limited to, provisions for the following:

- a) Election, term of office, duties and removal of officers of The Commission.
- b) Method of calling and conducting regular and

special meetings all of which shall be open to the public.

c) Keeping records of its proceedings, all of which shall be open to the public.

d) Reporting to the Town Council and the public of its recommendations and activities.

The Commission shall further have the authority to employ such qualified persons as may be necessary for the proper conduct and undertakings of the Commission and to pay for their services and such other necessary expenses, provided, however, that the cost of such services and expenses shall not exceed the amount appropriated by the Town Council for the use of The Commission.

SECTION 7: The Commission shall have the power and it shall be its duty to make and recommend for adoption a master plan, as a whole or in parts, for the future development and redevelopment of the Town and all land under its control and it shall further be its duty to prepare a comprehensive plan and ordinance for zoning the Town in accordance with the law. The Commission shall further perform such other duties as may be prescribed by ordinance or State Law.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the Town Council of the Town of St. Paul, Texas, on this the 17th day of August, 1973.

(signed) Darryl E. Gumm

Mayor
Town of St. Paul, Texas

CORRECTLY RECORDED:

(signed) Joyce Pockrus
Town Secretary
Town of St. Paul, Texas