

## Code of Ordinances

### Chapter 33 – Planning and Development

#### Article II. Planning Commission

##### **Sec. 33-15. Qualifications, appointment and terms of members.**

- (a) Four members of the commission shall be ex officio members as specified in section 33-14 of this Code and do not need to be residents or qualified voters of the city. In addition, three members of the commission may be appointed, one each, from the membership of the Commissioners' Courts of Harris County, Texas, Fort Bend County, Texas, and Montgomery County, Texas, whether or not the appointees are residents or qualified voters of the city or residents of the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction. Two members of the commission shall be residents of the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction. The remaining 16 members shall be residents and qualified voters of the city. As far as practicable, these 16 nominated and confirmed members of the commission shall be representative of the ethnic and geographical demography of the city. The determination by the city council that the members of the commission meet the qualifications set forth in this section shall be final.
- (b) If a commission member, except for the ex officio members and any representative from the membership of the commissioners' courts provided in subsection (a) above, removes his or her actual residence from the city or the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction, as applicable, during the term of his or her appointment, such person shall be disqualified to hold such position, and the position shall become vacant effective simultaneously with such change in residency.
- (c) The members of the commission, other than the ex officio members, shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council. All appointments will be for two-year staggered terms. Each commissioner shall continue to act after the end of his or her term until a successor is appointed and confirmed.
- (d) Within 12 months after the population within the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction in Waller County exceeds 25,000 persons, according to the most recent federal census, one member of the commission shall be appointed from the membership of the Commissioners' Court of Waller County, Texas. At such time the number of commission members will be increased by one.
- (e) Within 12 months after the population within the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction in Liberty County exceeds 25,000 persons, according to the most recent federal census, one member of the commission shall be appointed from the membership of the Commissioners' Court of Liberty County, Texas. At such time the number of commission members will be increased by one.

(Ord. No. 91-63, § 3, 1-9-91; Ord. No. 92-1046, §§ 1, 2, 7-29-92; Ord. No. 05-14, § 2, 1-5-05)

##### **Sec. 33-16. When county engineer to serve as member.**

A county engineer may serve as a member of the commission in the absence of the member representing his county commissioners court whenever a member of that court is serving as a duly appointed member of the commission. For purposes of this section, a "county engineer" shall mean the person officially designated as the county engineer or such other employee of the county engineering department who is designated as an alternate by the member representing his commissioners' court.

(Ord. No. 91-63, § 3, 1-9-91; Ord. No. 99-1146, § 1, 10-27-99)