

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Chapter 2, “Administration,” of the Dallas City Code, as amended; creating the college advisory commission; providing for its membership, terms, and duties; providing a saving clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 2, “Administration,” of the Dallas City Code is amended by adding a new Article XXX, “College Advisory Commission,” to read as follows:

“ARTICLE XXX.

COLLEGE ADVISORY COMMISSION.

SEC. 2-172. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this commission is to promote regular and active civic engagement among the college aged residents of the city by giving them a formal role in local decision making, offering real world experiences with elected bodies, providing opportunities to partner with our city council and the city’s boards and commissions, offering an avenue to engage in discussion with other college students from across the city, and increasing volunteerism and voter turnout.

SEC. 2-173. CREATED; MEMBERSHIP; TERMS; MEETINGS.

(a) There is hereby created the college advisory commission, which shall be an advisory body of 17 members. Each four-year university and college that resides within Dallas County may select one member to the commission. The full city council shall approve of the selections. The mayor shall appoint the chair, and the full city council shall appoint the vice-chair.

(b) The universities and colleges that reside within the Dallas County are:

- (1) Columbia College Mesquite.

- (2) Criswell College.
- (3) Dallas College.
- (4) Dallas Baptist University.
- (5) Dallas Christian College.
- (6) Dallas International University.
- (7) DeVry University.
- (8) Parker University.
- (9) Paul Quinn College.
- (10) Southern Methodist University.
- (11) Texas A&M University-Commerce at Dallas.
- (12) The Art Institute of Dallas.
- (13) The University of North Texas at Dallas.
- (14) The University of Texas at Dallas.
- (15) University of Dallas.
- (16) Wade College.

(b) All members shall be appointed for an initial term to expire on September 30, 2024. Subsequent appointments will be made in September of each year for a one-year term beginning on October 1.

(c) Each member of the commission must:

(1) Be enrolled as a full-time student in a four-year university or college within Dallas County.

(2) Be at least 18 years of age and no older than 24 years of age at the time of appointment

(d) A member is not required to fulfill the qualifications for board service in Chapter 8 of the Dallas City Code except that the member must:

(1) have been a resident of the city for at least six months prior to the date of the appointment; and

(2) not be in arrears on any obligations owed to the city

(e) The commission must meet at least once each month and may hold additional meetings at the call of the chair.

SEC. 2-174. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

(a) The commission shall act as an advisory body to the city manager and the city council and shall:

(1) advise the city council and city manager on issues impacting the city; and

(2) assist the city in identifying programs that are needed in the community;
and

(3) perform such other duties assigned by the city council or city manager.

(b) The city manager shall provide information and assistance to the commission in the performance of its duties and responsibilities.”

SECTION 2. That Chapter 2 of the Dallas City Code, as amended, will remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the terms and provisions of this ordinance are severable and are governed by Section 1-4 of Chapter 1 of the Dallas City Code, as amended.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance will take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so ordained.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TAMMY L. PALOMINO, Interim City Attorney

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Assistant City Attorney

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