

CITY OF WILLOW PARK

ORDINANCE NO. 532-05

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SUBSCRIBING TO THE STATEMENT OF ELECTED OFFICER, THE TAKING OF AN OATH OF OFFICE BY EACH MUNICIPAL OFFICER, ELECTED OR APPOINTED, TO A MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS; AND PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Willow Park is a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, it is intent of the City of Willow Park to protect the health, safety and welfare and well being of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, before an elected or appointed officer may take the Oath of Office and assume the duties of that office, the officer must first file a Statement of Elected or Appointed Officer with the municipality; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 22.005, TEX. LOCAL GOVT CODE, a person who is elected or appointed to a municipal office under this code must take and sign the Oath of Office before beginning to perform the duties of the office; and

WHEREAS, Article XVI, Section 1 of the TEXAS CONSTITUTION, provides that the Statement of Elected Officer for a municipality shall be retained as part of the official records of the City.

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION

The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to implement the applicable provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT

Amend Chapter 1 "GENERAL PROVISIONS", Article 1.400 "CITY COUNCIL", Section 1.405 "Oath of Office", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Willow Park, as follows:

~~"I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of _____ of the City of Willow Park, Texas, and will to best of my ability preserve, protect & defend the laws of this state and the ordinances of the City of Willow Park, Texas; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm), that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward to secure my appointment, or the confirmation thereof. So help me God."~~

"All elected and appointed officers of the City of Willow Park, Texas shall execute a Statement of Elected or Appointed Officer, which must be filed with the City Secretary prior to taking the Oath of Office pursuant to Article XVI, Section 1 of the TEXAS CONSTITUTION, and §22.005(a) TEX LOCAL GOVT CODE. After filing of the Statement of Elected or Appointed Officer, all elected or appointed officers, before they enter upon the duties of their offices, shall take the Oath of Office pursuant to Article XVI, Section 1

of the TEXAS CONSTITUTION, and §22.005(a) TEX LOCAL GOVT CODE.”

SECTION 3. REPEALER

All ordinance and conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflicts; and particularly Ordinance 442-99 adopted May 4, 1999, by the City Council of the City of Willow Park, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, it shall not affect any valid provisions of this or any other Ordinance of the City of Willow Park to which these rules and regulations relate.

SECTION 4. RECITALS

The City Council hereby finds and declares all precatory language herein to be true

The Willow Park City Council in acting on Ordinance No. 532-05 did on the 17th day of May, 2005, vote as follows:

	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
James H. Poythress, Mayor	_____	_____
LaDonna Allen, Place 1	_____✓_____	_____
Terry Skaggs, Place 2	_____✓_____	_____
Brad Johnson, Place 3	_____✓_____	_____
Jason Ellerbusch, Place 4	_____✓_____	_____
Marvin Glasgow, Place 5	_____✓_____	_____

and correct and approves and adopts the same herein as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its passage

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of May, 2005.

/s/ Terry J. Skaggs
Mayor Pro-tem

ATTEST:

/s/ Andie J. Scott
City Secretary/Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ [Signature]
City Attorney