

CITY OF WILLOW PARK

ORDINANCE NO. 696-14

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE WILLOW PARK 2014 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING A LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT GUIDE FOR THE CITY OF WILLOW PARK, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Willow Park, is a municipal corporation duly and legally formed in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City is a general law municipality with specific powers delegated to it to provide for the health, safety and general welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 213 TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE "*Municipal Comprehensive Plans*" delegates to municipalities the authority to adopt a comprehensive plan for the long range development of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority delegated to the City of Willow Park, the City Council, designated the Planning and Zoning Commission, in conjunction with citizens and staff, to develop a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the City retained a professional planning consultant to assist the Planning and Zoning Commission in preparation of a new comprehensive plan. The plan was to consist of a coordinated set of recommendations, by subject and geographic area, to guide development and developmental regulations, and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission held public hearings, providing an opportunity for members of the public to provide testimony or written evidence; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission did review the Comprehensive Plan as prepared and did, in a report to the City Council, recommend its adoptions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Willow Park did conduct a public hearing in which it considered the Comprehensive Plan as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission and afforded an opportunity for members of the public to give testimony and present written evidence on the Comprehensive Plan

NOW THEREFORE:

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

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION

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

SECTION 2. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The 2014 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Willow Park prepared, with the assistance of planning consultant Freese & Nichols, Inc., is hereby adopted as the long range planning guide for the City. The 2014 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Willow Park, Texas is intended to provide guidance for development in the City of Willow Park and make certain recommendations concerning zoning, land subdivision, thoroughfare adequacy, utility infrastructure and growth management. The comprehensive plan shall not constitute zoning regulations or establish zoning district boundaries.

SECTION 3. PUBLIC ACCESS

The City Secretary is hereby instructed to maintain a copy of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan, for public use and reference. A map depicting the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan and illustrating proposed future land use, shall be displayed in an area accessible to the public in the municipal building and contain a clearly visible statement thereon: "A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE ZONING REGULATIONS OR ESTABLISH ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES."

SECTION 4. LIMITATION

The adoption of the Comprehensive Plan by the City Council of the City of Willow Park does not limit the ability of the municipality to prepare other plans, policy or strategies as required or necessary to promote the health, safety and welfare of the public.

SECTION 5. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

All Ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict; and any previous comprehensive plan is particularly repealed.

SECTION 6. SEVERANCE

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 7. RECITALS

The City Council hereby finds and declares all precatory language herein to be true and correct and approves and adopts the same herein as part of this Resolution.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of November, 2014.

/s/ _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
City Secretary/Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ _____
City Attorney

The Willow Park City Council in acting on Ordinance No. 696-14 did on the 11th day of November 2014 vote as follows:

	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Richard Neverdousky, Mayor	_____	_____
Brian Thornburg, Place 1	_____	_____
Gene Martin, Place 2	_____	_____
Greg Runnebaum, Place 3	_____	_____
James E. Mullins, Place 4	_____	_____
Tim Griffiths, Place 5	_____	_____