

**Ordinance amending City Code of Ordinances regarding Sister City  
Committee and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a  
Memorandum of Agreement with the Corpus Christi Convention and  
Visitors Bureau regarding management of the committee**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS:**

**Section 1.** That Chapter 2 of the City Code of Ordinances, Article IV, Division 13, is amended regarding Sister City Committee, by deleting the redlined struck through text, and adding the underlined text, as follows:

**DIVISION 13. - SISTER CITY COMMITTEE**

**Sec. 2-150. - Creation and general duties.**

There is hereby created an advisory committee to the city council to be known as the Corpus Christi Sister City Committee.

It shall be the duty of the committee to study ways and means of improving relations with Corpus Christi sister cities and to advise and consult with and assist the mayor, the city council, the city manager and all other city agencies, boards and officials in accomplishing the purposes of the sister city program. In carrying out its program and duties, the committee shall:

- (1) Enlist the cooperation of all racial, religious, educational, community, civic, labor, fraternal and benevolent associations and all other groups, associations and societies and all constructive community forces and talents that would be helpful in discharging its duties;
- (2) Cooperate with federal, state and city agencies, citizens, citizens organizations, the local boards of education and parochial and private schools in formulating and developing ~~courses of education and programs~~ economic development and tourism opportunities to stimulate the interest of the entire population in accomplishing the objectives of the committee;
- (3) Adopt rules for the transaction of business;
- (4) Receive all requests and instructions from the mayor and the city council relative to the committee's function established herein and respond if it may be thus requested or instructed;
- (5) Endeavor to coordinate the efforts of all cooperating groups in maintaining and developing sister city relations;

- (6) Cooperate with all state, regional and federal agencies in the implementation and conduct of sister city activities.

(Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

Sec. 2-151. - Steering committee.

The sister city committee shall consist of a steering committee and various subcommittees.

The steering committee shall consist of ~~fifteen (15)~~ nine (9) members who shall be broadly representative of racial, religious and ethnic groups in the community. The members shall be appointed by the city council and shall serve three-year terms or until their successors are appointed and qualified. The steering committee shall be responsible for the overall administration and implementation for the city's sister city program.

The steering committee shall be comprised of representatives of the following categories:

Economic development sector;

Greater Corpus Christi Hospitality Association;

Port Industries of Corpus Christi;

Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce;

Higher education institution;

Advertising/public relations;

Arts/cultural; and

Two (2) at large.

In addition, representatives from the following City departments shall serve as ex-officio, nonvoting members of the steering committee: Mayor's Office, Corpus Christi International Airport, and Parks and Recreation.

(Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

~~Sec. 2-152. - Subcommittee for each sister city.~~

~~There shall be a subcommittee for each sister city authorized by resolution of the city council. The members of each such subcommittee shall be appointed by the steering committee except as provided for in section 2-154 and shall consist of an equal number of members from the steering committee plus any number of members from the~~

~~community at large as deemed necessary and sufficient by the steering committee. Each such subcommittee shall be responsible, under the direction of the steering committee, for primary study, liaison and recommendations for each sister city.~~

(Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

Sec. ~~2-1532-152.~~ - ~~Other-s~~Subcommittees.

The steering committee may appoint any other subcommittee as in its judgment will aid it in carrying out its duties. The steering committee shall determine the membership of each said subcommittee, its duties and chairman. The membership of each said subcommittee shall consist of members of the steering committee and, at the option of the steering committee, members from the community at large.

(Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

Sec. ~~2-1542-153.~~ - Officers.

The officers of the steering committee shall consist of a general chairman ~~[and] and vice-chairman for each of the sister city subcommittees established in accordance with section 2-152.~~ The chairman and ~~each~~ vice-chairman shall be elected by majority vote of the sister city committee annually. If the general chairman is absent, ~~a vice-chairman shall be elected from the committee to the vice-chair shall~~ serve as general chairman during his/her absence.

(Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

Sec. ~~2-1552-154.~~ - Minutes, etc.

The steering committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and records of its activities and furnish copies of said minutes to the ~~mayor and city council within twenty (20) days of each committee meeting~~City Secretary annually. It shall also furnish its records to the council at any time upon request.

(Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

Sec. ~~2-1562-155.~~ - Funds.

The steering committee is authorized to solicit and receive funds in the name of City of Corpus Christi with the funds to be used solely for the furtherance of the purposes of the steering committee. All funds received shall be deposited with the finance department of the city to be accounted for in a trust fund account entitled "Sister City

Account." Disbursements out of the "Sister City Account" will be made upon written recommendation of the ~~steering committee~~Corpus Christi Convention and Visitors Bureau Chief Executive Officer or designee and approval of the director of park and recreation department with all such disbursements being in compliance with the City Charter and ordinances pertaining to the disbursement of city funds.

Ord. No. 029687, § 1, 11-20-2012)

Secs. 2-157—2-159. - Reserved.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the Corpus Christi Convention and Visitors Bureau regarding management of the committee

**SECTION 3.** In the event of any conflict between any other ordinances and the changes made by this Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall control with respect to the Sister City Committee. This ordinance takes effect upon final City Council approval.

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the first time and passed to its second reading on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, by the following vote:

Nelda Martinez	_____	Brian Rosas	_____
Rudy Garza	_____	Lucy Rubio	_____
Michael Hunter	_____	Mark Scott	_____
Chad Magill	_____	Carolyn Vaughn	_____
Colleen McIntyre	_____		

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the second time and passed finally on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, by the following vote:

Nelda Martinez	_____	Brian Rosas	_____
Rudy Garza	_____	Lucy Rubio	_____
Michael Hunter	_____	Mark Scott	_____
Chad Magill	_____	Carolyn Vaughn	_____
Colleen McIntyre	_____		

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rebecca Huerta  
City Secretary

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Nelda Martinez  
Mayor