Ordinance No 99-2

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ORDERLY, SAFE AND HEALTHFUL DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE TOWN OF ANNETTA NORTH, TEXAS; REQUIRING THAT PLANS FOR DRIVEWAYS AND ANY STRUCTURES ON THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ANY CITY STREET OR ROAD BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY FOR APPROVAL; STIPULATIN THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH PERMITS AND AUTHORIZATIONS SHALL BE WITHHELD; STIPULAING SUBMITTAL PROCEDURES; AND DECLARING EMERGENCY

PREAMBLE

Whereas, the City has had under consideration the matter of driveway and structure regulations for an extended period of time; and

Whereas, the City has issued public notice of a hearing to be held on a proposed ordinance considering the regulation of driveways and structures on City Right-of-Way; and

Whereas, said hearing was held and all present were given full opportunity to express their views for and against the passage of said ordinance; and

Whereas, the Board of Alderman deems it in the best of interest of the people who are now, and who will be, living within the jurisdiction of the City, that an ordinance be passed to ensure an orderly, economical development of the City, to provide adequate Municipal facilities and services, and to protect and promote the general welfare, health and safety of the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF ANNETTA NORTH PARKER COUNTY, TEXAS;

ARTICLE I

PURPOSE

I.I. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for the orderly, safe and healthful development of the area within the City and to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the community. Accordingly, all driveways and all structures to be built on the City Rights-of-Way must be constructed in accordance with prescribed standards and approved by the City Commission.

ARTICLE II

Definitions

II.1. The following words and phrases when used in this ordinance shall for the purpose of this ordinance have meanings respectively ascribed to them I this section, unless a different meaning is plainly required by context.

II.2. City: THE TOWN OF ANNETTA NORTH, TEXAS

II. 3. Commission:: The governing body of the City

II. 4. Person: Any individual, association, firm corporation, governmental agency, or political subdivision. Any office referred to in this ordinance by title means the person employed or appointed by the city in that position or his duly authorized representative.

II. 5. Street: A public right-of-way, however designated, which is intended primarily to serve traffic within the city, which provides vehicular access to adjacent land, and which is not necessarily continuous through several subdivisions.

ARTICLE III

Requirements

III. 1. Driveways: Driveways must be user friendly, providing adequate sight distance and turning space. They must not block natural drainage and must be provided by the owner/applicant. Culverts, when required, will be placed in the natural drainage lines of existing ditches unless otherwise specified at the time of approval. The finished portion of the driveway must be at least twenty (20) feet wide and extend from the owner's property line to the shoulder of the city street. The driveway surface must be blended into the street surface and shall not overlap it. Thus maintaining the street surface and avoiding any bumps to the street surface and shall not overlap it, thus maintaining the street surface and avoiding any bumps resulting from an overlap of gravel or a paved surface. A 9-1-1 address number will be obtained and erected by the landowner on his/her driveway, so as to be visible and readable from the public street.

III. 2. Structures: No structures, including but not limited to, retaining walls, mailboxes, or planter, built of rock, wood, brick, concrete, metal or similar materials will be erected on city right-of-way without the written consent of the mayor or mayor pro-tem. All mail boxes shall be at least three (3) feet from the paved surfaces of the street. Where deep ditches or steep shoulders prevent the mailbox from being erected with adequate and safe clearance from the pavement, a build-up of the shoulder may be required, with possibly a culvert installed for proper drainage.

ARTICLE IV

Approvals

IV. 1. Plans: Plans may be submitted as rough sketches or free-hand drawings. They must locate the driveways or other structures by dimensions form property lines or other permanent landmarks. Culvert sizes and lengths will be shown. Two copies of the plans will be submitted. Plans for mail boxes need not be submitted for approval if they comply with paragraph III.2 and do not affect drainage.

IV. 2. Submittal of Plans: Plans shall be submitted to the City Secretary or to the mayor. They will be reviewed at the next regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen after submittal. The secretary will notify all aldermen of the submittal of plans in order that they may inspect the locations prior to the meeting.

IV.3. Approval: The Board of Aldermen will vote to approve any plans submitted at each regular meeting. Any required changes will be noted on the plans. An approved copy will be returned to the property owner. The Board of Aldermen may appoint a single member or a committee to review and approve plans if they so choose.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE Board of Aldermen of the TOWN OF ANNETTA NORTH, Parker County, State of Texas, this _____ day of _____ 1999

APPROVED

Mayor

ATTEST

By:_____

City Secretary

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