

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-04**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TOMBALL, TEXAS, CONTINUING THE CITY'S JUVENILE CURFEW ORDINANCE; AND MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Tomball adopted a curfew ordinance that is codified as Article II of Chapter 30 of the Tomball Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has reviewed and continued the juvenile curfew ordinance by adopting a new ordinance every three years; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 370.002 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that the City Council of a city that adopts a juvenile curfew ordinance at least every three years review the ordinance's effects on the community and on problems the ordinance was intended to remedy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council conducted public hearings on March 4, 2019 and March 18, 2019 on the ordinance's effects on the community and on the problems the ordinance was intended to remedy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that as a direct result of implementing a juvenile curfew the incidents of juvenile crime and victimization has been reduced; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds the continuance of the juvenile curfew ordinance is necessary to provide for the protection of minors from each other and from other persons, for the enforcement of parental control over and responsibility for children, for the protection of the general public, and for the reduction of the incidence of juvenile violence and criminal activity; and

**WHEREAS**, a curfew applicable to persons under the age of 17 years will be in the interest of public health, safety, and general welfare, and will diminish the undesirable impact of such conduct on the citizens of the City of Tomball; now therefore

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOMBALL:**

**Section 1.** That in accordance with Section 370.002 of the Texas Local Government Code the City Council has reviewed the City's juvenile curfew ordinance, and its effects on the community

and on the problems the ordinance was intended to remedy, and that the findings in the preamble of this ordinance are adopted and incorporated herein.

**Section 2.** The City’s curfew ordinance, codified as Article II of Chapter 50 of the Tomball Code of Ordinances, is hereby continued and shall continue in full force and effect.

FIRST READING:

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED AS SET OUT BELOW AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOMBALL, HELD ON THE 18TH DAY OF MARCH 2019.

COUNCILMAN FORD	<u>AYE</u>
COUNCILMAN STOLL	<u>AYE</u>
COUNCILMAN DEGGES	<u>AYE</u>
COUNCILMAN TOWNSEND	<u>AYE</u>
COUNCILMAN KLEIN QUINN	<u>AYE</u>

SECOND READING:

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED AS SET OUT BELOW AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOMBALL, HELD ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL 2019.

COUNCILMAN FORD	<u>AYE</u>
COUNCILMAN STOLL	<u>ABSENT</u>
COUNCILMAN DEGGES	<u>AYE</u>
COUNCILMAN TOWNSEND	<u>ABSENT</u>
COUNCILMAN KLEIN QUINN	<u>AYE</u>

Gretchen Fagan  
GRETCHEN FAGAN, Mayor  
City of Tomball

ATTEST:

Doris Speer  
DORIS SPEER, City Secretary  
City of Tomball