

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS DESIGNATING A CERTAIN AREA OF THE CITY AS NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT ZONE #2 PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 378; AND PROVIDING LOCAL INCENTIVES

WHEREAS, the City of Taylor, Texas desires to create the proper economic and social environment to encourage the investment of private resources in productive business enterprises and housing in severely distressed areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Taylor, Texas desires to increase the quality of social services, education, and public safety provided to residents of the zone; and

WHEREAS, the provision and rehabilitation of affordable housing in the zone is an important element of sustainable neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to Create Neighborhood Empowerment Zone #2 pursuant to Chapter 378 of the Texas Local Government Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City designates an area described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein for designation as Neighborhood Empowerment Zone #2.

SECTION 2. That the City Council finds that the creation of Neighborhood Empowerment Zone #2 will enhance the creation of affordable housing, increase economic development in the zone as well as in the City, increase the quality of social services, education, and public safety provided to residents of the zone, the rehabilitation of affordable housing in the zone, and that the creation of the zone benefits and is for the public purpose of increasing the public health, safety, and welfare of the persons in the municipality.

SECTION 3. That the City Council finds that the creation of the zone satisfies the requirements of Section 312.202, Tax Code.

SECTION 4. That the City Council hereby ordains and declares that the following incentives will be provided in the Zone:

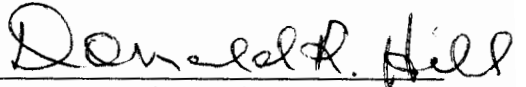
1. The City will reduce by fifty (50%) percent zoning, platting, site plan review, building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, and gas permits.
2. The City will reduce by fifty (50%) percent water and waste water impact fees.
3. The City may abate real property taxes in accordance with the City's tax abatement policies, as amended from time to time.

SECTION 5. That if any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid for any reason, the invalidity does not affect any other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to the extent the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 6. That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage as the law and charter in such case provides.

SECTION 7. In accordance with Article VIII of the City Charter, Ordinance 2003- 25 was introduced before the Taylor City Council on the 7th day of August, 2003.

PAST, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the City Council of Taylor, Texas on the 14th day of August , 2003.


Donald R. Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

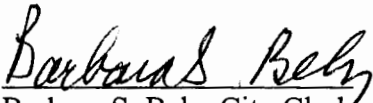

Barbara S. Belz, City Clerk

EXHIBIT "A"

NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT ZONE #2

1. Point of beginning: West 7th Street and Talbot Street
2. West along 7th Street to Sloan Street
3. North along Sloan Street to West Lake Drive
4. West along West Lake Drive to the western lot line of a 1.0 acre Belz Tract
5. South along the western lot line of the 1.0 acre Belz Tract and further south along the western boundary of the Sunset Addition, further southward along the western boundary of a 6.68 acre Taylor Housing Authority Tract, and further still along the western boundary of a 1.4504 acre Hullinger tract to the north right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 79
6. Then further south along the northwest and west property line of a 6.48 acre Centex Meat Company Tract to the north line of the Missouri Pacific Railroad
7. East along the north line of the Missouri Pacific Railroad to Vance Street
8. North on Vance Street to Second Street
9. West on Second Street to the southwest corner of Lot 1, Block 7, City of Taylor Addition
10. North along the alley between Lots 1 and 12, Block 7, City of Taylor Addition to the northwest corner of Lot 3, Block 7, City of Taylor Addition
11. East between Lots 3 and 4, Block 7, City of Taylor Addition to the southeast corner of Lot 10, Block 8, City of Taylor Addition
12. North along the alley between Lots 10 and 17, Block 8, City of Taylor Addition to West 5th Street
13. East on West 5th Street to Talbot Street
14. North on Talbot Street to West 7th Street also being the point of beginning

