

TOWN OF WESTLAKE

RESOLUTION NO. 16-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WESTLAKE, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 552.275 OF CHAPTER 552 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AND ESTABLISHES A REASONABLE LIMIT ON THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT PERSONNEL OF THE TOWN ARE REQUIRED TO SPEND PRODUCING PUBLIC INFORMATION.

WHEREAS, the Town of Westlake, Texas ("Town"), is committed to the policy of open government and has strived to make records accessible; and,

WHEREAS, Westlake Academy is part of the Town, and request to Westlake Academy are also included in the policy; and,

WHEREAS, some citizens have requested records in an abusive fashion, creating an insurmountable amount of work for the small Town staff; and

WHEREAS, this has created a detrimental time commitment for Staff to process routine Town business and additional non-recoverable expenses for the citizens of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the passage of this Resolution is in the best interest of the citizens of Westlake.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WESTLAKE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That, all matters stated in the Recitals hereinabove are found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2: That, all matters stated in the preamble are found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein as if set out here in their entirety.

SECTION 3: That, the Town hereby adopts the provisions of Section 552.275 of Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code and establishes a reasonable limit on the amount of time that personnel of the Town are required to spend producing public information for inspection or duplication by a requestor, or providing copies of public information to a requestor, without recovering its costs attributed to that personnel time.

SECTION 4: That, the time limit established for inspection or duplication, set out above is 36 hours in one 12-month period that corresponds to the fiscal year of the Town and further, requests submitted by a minor shall be attributable to the parent, guardian or other person who has control of the minor.

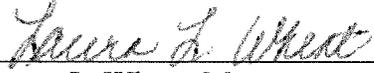
SECTION 5: That, the Town will follow the provisions of Section 552.275 of the Texas Government Code in regard to written estimates about time expended, costs, and in regard to the exceptions provided for by that statute.

SECTION 6: If any portion of this Resolution shall, for any reason, be declared invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof and the Council hereby determines that it would have adopted this Resolution without the invalid provision.

SECTION 7: That this resolution shall become effective from and after its date of passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 13th DAY OF JUNE 2016.

ATTEST:



Laura L. Wheat, Mayor



Kelly Edwards, Town Secretary



Thomas E. Brymer, Town Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



L. Stanton Lowry, Town Attorney

