ORDINANCE NO.	

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING THE CITY'S CODE OF ETHICS ORDINANCE NO. 961, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR OPEN MEETINGS

WHEREAS, after a thorough review of the current Code of Ethics, it is appropriate and necessary for good government that the City of Kyle amend and update the Code of Ethics; and

WHEREAS, the City Council assigned review and recommended changes of the Ethics Ordinance to the Ethics Commission on August 2, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Ethics Commission convened on September 12, 2022 and again on November 14, 2022 to review the Ethics Code and recommend changes to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the current Ethics Ordinance was in need of changes in order to better serve the officials, employees and citizens of Kyle and to strengthen the ordinance by providing clarity, and resolving inconsistencies within the existing ethics ordinance and between provisions of the existing ethics ordinance and the City Charter.

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

- **Section 1**. **Repealing of Code of Ethics**. The City Council hereby repeals Ordinance No. 961 in its entirety, as amended.
- **Section 2.** Adoption of Code of Ethics. The City Council hereby replaces the Code of Ethics in its entirety to read as set forth in Exhibit "1" and accompanying Exhibits "A," "B," and "C" attached to and incorporated in this ordinance for all purposes.
- **Section 3**. **Effective Date**. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter of the City.
- **Section 4. Savings Clause.** All rights and remedies of the City of Kyle are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any ordinances governing ethics; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances, same shall not be affected by this ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.
- **Section 5. Amendment of Conflicting Ordinances.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed. The balance of such ordinance is hereby saved from repeal.
- **Section 6. Open Meetings**. It is hereby officially found and determined that this meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, *Chapter 551, Texas Government Code*.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the day of	, 2022
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FINALLY PASSED AND APPRO	OVED on this the day of	, 2022
ATTEST:	The City of Kyle, Texas	
Jennifer Holm, City Secretary	Travis Mitchell, Mayor	