

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-RES029

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF DOUBLE HORN, TEXAS COUNCIL CODE OF ETHICS

WHEREAS, the City of Double Horn, Texas City Council is committed to upholding the highest standards of ethical conduct, integrity, and transparency in all official actions; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that all members of the Council adhere to clear principles of conduct to maintain public trust and confidence; and

WHEREAS, a Code of Ethics provides guidance to Councilmembers in performing their duties responsibly, fairly, and in accordance with applicable laws and policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOUBLE HORN, TEXAS:

1. Adoption of Code of Ethics

The Council hereby adopts the City of Double Horn, Texas Council Code of Ethics, attached hereto as **Exhibit "A,"** which outlines the ethical principles and standards of conduct expected of all Councilmembers.

2. Guiding Principles

The Code of Ethics shall guide Council members in matters including, but not limited to, integrity, accountability, transparency, respect, avoidance of conflicts of interest, confidentiality, and compliance with all applicable laws and policies.

3. Implementation

The Council shall provide training and guidance on the Code of Ethics and shall ensure that any alleged violations are addressed in accordance with established Council procedures.

4. Effective Date

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Double Horn, Texas, this **11th day of December, 2025.**



Cathy Serene, Mayor

Exhibit A

**City of Double Horn, Texas
Council Code of Ethics
Adopted by Resolution No.2025-RES029
Date: December 11, 2025**

Preamble

The City of Double Horn, City Council is committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct. This Code of Ethics provides guidance to ensure integrity, transparency, and accountability in the performance of council duties and responsibilities.

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Code is to:

- Promote public trust and confidence in the Council.
- Ensure councilmembers act in a manner that is ethical, transparent, and responsible.
- Provide clear guidance on appropriate conduct.

2. Principles of Ethical Conduct

Councilmembers shall:

- 1. Integrity and Honesty**
 - Act honestly and with integrity in all Council activities.
 - Avoid any conduct that would discredit the Council.
- 2. Accountability and Transparency**
 - Be accountable to the public for decisions and actions.
 - Make decisions openly, providing clear rationale when required.
- 3. Respect and Fairness**
 - Treat fellow councilmembers, staff, and the public with respect and courtesy.
 - Avoid discrimination, harassment, or favoritism.
- 4. Conflict of Interest**
 - Disclose any personal or financial interest that may affect Council duties.
 - Refrain from participating in discussions or decisions where a conflict exists.
- 5. Confidentiality**
 - Protect confidential information acquired in the course of official duties.
 - Use such information solely for the purposes of Council business.
- 6. Compliance with Laws and Policies**
 - Follow all applicable laws, regulations, and Council policies.
 - Uphold the public trust in every action.

3. Implementation

- The Council shall provide guidance and training to members on ethical responsibilities.
- Alleged breaches of this Code shall be addressed in accordance with established Council procedures.

4. Adoption

This Code of Ethics is adopted by the City of Double Horn, Texas Council through **Resolution No. 2025-RES029** on December 11, 2025.