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Fair Oaks Ranch City Council Appoints Members to the Fair Oaks Ranch Home Rule Charter Commission

Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas, June 21, 2016: The City of Fair Oaks Ranch announced Thursday, June 16th, at its' regular City Council meeting, the appointment of eleven volunteer citizens to the Fair Oaks Ranch Home Rule Charter Commission. The Commission will write a Home Rule Charter by February 1, 2017 to be placed on the May 2017 election ballot for voter consideration. Commission members include David Deleranko, Tom Jaster, Greg Maxton, James McConnell, Rich Nichols, Dale Pearson, Bill Regan, Bill Sparks, Frank Trapasso, John Merritt, and former City Alderman Conrad Fothergill. Assisting the Commission in the process is Charles Zech, Fair Oaks Ranch City Attorney. Mr. Zech has assisted other Texas cities to develop Home Rule charters.

Mayor Garry Manitzas expressed his appreciation to all 25 of the citizens who offered to serve in this important undertaking. "We were delighted that 25 citizens stepped forward and asked to be considered to participate in this important undertaking. Moving to a Home Rule Charter will place Fair Oaks Ranch in step with most of the cities in Texas over 5,000 in population that have chosen to move to this form of government. While we had decided in advance with our City Attorney that somewhere around 11 members was optimal, we were impressed at both the number of applicants and the high quality of their applications."

The newly selected Commission members will begin their work in the very near future.

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