

1 AN ACT
2 relating to posting notice online of the meetings of certain
3 governmental bodies.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 551, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 551.056 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 551.056. ADDITIONAL POSTING REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN
8 MUNICIPALITIES, COUNTIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, JUNIOR COLLEGE
9 DISTRICTS, AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS. (a) This section
10 applies only to a governmental body or economic development
11 corporation that maintains an Internet website or for which an
12 Internet website is maintained. This section does not apply to a
13 governmental body described by Section 551.001(3)(D).

14 (b) In addition to the other place at which notice is
15 required to be posted by this subchapter, the following
16 governmental bodies and economic development corporations must
17 also concurrently post notice of a meeting on the Internet website
18 of the governmental body or economic development corporation:

- 19 (1) a municipality;
20 (2) a county;
21 (3) a school district;
22 (4) the governing body of a junior college or junior
23 college district, including a college or district that has changed
24 its name in accordance with Chapter 130, Education Code; and

1 (5) a development corporation organized under the
2 Development Corporation Act of 1979 (Article 5190.6, Vernon's Texas
3 Civil Statutes).

4 (c) The following governmental bodies and economic
5 development corporations must also concurrently post the agenda for
6 the meeting on the Internet website of the governmental body or
7 economic development corporation:

8 (1) a municipality with a population of 48,000 or
9 more;

10 (2) a county with a population of 65,000 or more;

11 (3) a school district that contains all or part of the
12 area within the corporate boundaries of a municipality with a
13 population of 48,000 or more;

14 (4) the governing body of a junior college district,
15 including a district that has changed its name in accordance with
16 Chapter 130, Education Code, that contains all or part of the area
17 within the corporate boundaries of a municipality with a population
18 of 48,000 or more; and

19 (5) a development corporation organized under the
20 Development Corporation Act of 1979 (Article 5190.6, Vernon's Texas
21 Civil Statutes) that was created by or for:

22 (A) a municipality with a population of 48,000 or
23 more; or

24 (B) a county or district that contains all or
25 part of the area within the corporate boundaries of a municipality
26 with a population of 48,000 or more.

27 (d) The validity of a posted notice of a meeting or an agenda

1 by a governmental body or economic development corporation subject
2 to this section that made a good faith attempt to comply with the
3 requirements of this section is not affected by a failure to comply
4 with a requirement of this section that is due to a technical
5 problem beyond the control of the governmental body or economic
6 development corporation.

7 SECTION 2. Section 551.056, Government Code, as added by
8 this Act, applies only in relation to a meeting held on or after
9 January 4, 2006.

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2006.

David Neuburn
President of the Senate

Tom Cudde
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1133 passed the Senate on April 28, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0. _____

Lacey Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1133 passed the House on May 25, 2005, by a non-record vote. _____

Robert Hovey
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

17 JUNE '05
Date

Rick Perry
Governor

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