ORDINANCE NO. 5690

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10, "ADMINISTRATION", OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1

That Chapter 10, "Administration", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garland, Texas, is hereby amended by creating Section 10.35 to read as follows:

"Sec. 10.35 Multi-Cultural Commission.

- (A) Creation and Composition. A Community Multi-Cultural Commission is hereby created to maximize the potential, inclusion, and quality of life of all citizen populations in the City of Garland by identifying issues and making recommendations to Council concerning the City's changing demographic composition and diverse needs. This is to be accomplished through a diverse membership representing a cross-section of the community. It is recommended, but not mandatory, that the commission include representatives of local advocacy groups.
- (B) Appointment of Members. The commission shall consist of thirteen (13) members appointed by the City Council. Each member of the City Council may appoint one member, with the exception of the Mayor, who may make five (5) appointments. Members shall serve without compensation.
- (C) Term. Members of the commission shall serve a term to coincide with that of the appointing member of the City Council. Except by reason of death, disqualification or removal from office, the term of office shall continue until a successor has been nominated, appointed and qualified.
- (D) Qualifications. The members of the commission shall possess the same qualifications as are required for members of the City Council.
- (E) Ex-officio Members. The City Manager (or his designated representative) shall be an ex-officio member of the commission, and shall have the right to discuss any matter that is under consideration by the commission, but shall have no vote.
- (F) Responsibilities and Duties. The commission shall serve the City Council as an advisory commission and, in that capacity, shall have the following responsibilities and duties:
 - (1) communicating, learning and understanding

- (2) economic opportunities
- (3) health and community services
- (4) public safety
- (5) transportation and mobility
- (G) Operational and Procedural Rules. The Commission shall adopt its own internal operational and procedural rules. The officers shall be elected in October of each year from its own membership."

Section 2

That Chapter 10, "ADMINISTRATION", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garland, Texas, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect save and except as amended by this ordinance.

Section 3

That the provisions of this Ordinance are severable and are governed by Section 10.06 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garland, Texas, as amended.

Section 4

That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 3rd day of December, 2002.

THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

By:

Mayor

ATTEST:

MULTI-CULTURAL COMMISSION ORDINANCE