ORDINANCE NO. 2002 - 22

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF TALTY, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR AN AT-LARGE ELECTION OF THE ALDERMEN; PROVIDING FOR TWO-YEAR STAGGERED TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Talty, Texas, finds and determines that to provide strength, stability and experience in the governing of the Town and as allowed by Local Government Code Section 23.026 (b), it is for the welfare of the citizens of the Town of Talty, Texas, that the office of Alderman shall be elected at-large, and that all members of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Talty, Texas, serve two-year staggered terms of office.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF TALTY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That of and from the effective date of this Ordinance, all Aldermen shall be elected at-large.

SECTION 2. That in lieu of one-year terms of office, the Board of Aldermen hereby establishes two-year staggered terms of office for the mayor and aldermen. The terms of the mayor and all aldermen shall expire and shall be filled at the next regular election date occurring in May, 2003, after which the mayor and two aldermen shall serve for a term of two years. The two aldermen who serve two-year terms shall be determined by drawing lots at the first meeting of the Board of Aldermen following the next annual Town election held after the effective date of this Ordinance. The remaining Aldermen shall hold office for an initial term of one year. Thereafter, all members of the Board of Aldermen shall serve for a term of two years.

SECTION 3. All ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, and all other provisions of the ordinance of the Town of Talty, Texas, not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That should any word, clause, sentence, paragraph, phrase, portion or section of this Ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance which are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption of said Ordinance, as provided by state statute.

DULY PASSED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Talty, Texas on this 9th day of July, 2002.

	APPROVED:
	ALLISON WEAVER, MAYOR
ATTEST:	
TOWN SECRETARY	