

INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Comprehensive Plan for the City of Falfurrias is to establish long-term guidance for physical development of the community. Reflecting the values of stakeholders and City leadership, the comprehensive plan establishes a vision and goals through 2033. The plan is intended to express community desires for the future of the City by establishing predictable, achievable, and affordable policies and desired future land uses and infrastructure requirements.

The Town of Falfurrias's Comprehensive Plan reflects the community vision for the future. The Plan provides an adaptable path forward that is:

- ✓ Predictable
- ✓ Achievable
- ✓ Affordable

AUTHORITY

Cities in Texas are not required to adopt long-term plans; however, Chapter 213 of the Texas Local Government Code allows cities in Texas to develop and adopt comprehensive plans to promote sound development. A city may select particular topics and elements of its comprehensive plan and how it relates to its development regulations and standards. Further, it can determine the degree of consistency required between a plan and development regulations. Specifically, Chapter 213 provides that a comprehensive plan may include but is not limited to:

- ❑ Provisions on land use, transportation, and public facilities
- ❑ A single plan or a coordinated set of plans organized by subject and geographic area
- ❑ Functions to coordinate and guide the establishment of development regulations

Adoption of a Comprehensive Plan is consistent with the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 213 for a General Law Type "A" City. The Plan was reviewed and recommended to City Council by the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee on October 24, 2013 and accepted by the City Council on August 20, 2014.

CITY GOVERNANCE

The City is a General Law Type "A" City with a Council-Manager form of governance. Ordinance No. 566 was adopted on February 5, 2013 establishing the position of City Administrator. Incorporated on December 29, 1948, the Board of Aldermen of Falfurrias, Texas is comprised of the Mayor and five (5) Aldermen. Development activities are under the purview of the Board of Aldermen.