ADMINISTRATION, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

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MAYOR

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15.01 TERM OF OFFICE. The Mayor is elected for a term of two years. Effective January 1, 2022, the Mayor's term of office shall be four years.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.2)

- 15.02 POWERS AND DUTIES. The powers and duties of the Mayor are as follows:
 - 1. Chief Executive Officer. Act as the chief executive officer of the City and presiding officer of the Council, supervise all departments of the City, give direction to department heads concerning the functions of the departments, and have the power to examine all functions of the municipal departments, their records and to call for special reports from department heads at any time.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[1])

2. Proclamation of Emergency. Have authority to take command of the police and govern the City by proclamation, upon making a determination that a time of emergency or public danger exists. Within the City limits, the Mayor has all the powers conferred upon the Sheriff to suppress disorders.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[2])

3. Special Meetings. Call special meetings of the Council when the Mayor deems such meetings necessary to the interests of the City.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[1])

4. Mayor's Veto. Sign, veto, or take no action on an ordinance, amendment, or resolution passed by the Council. The Mayor may veto an ordinance, amendment, or resolution within 14 days after passage. The Mayor shall explain the reasons for the veto in a written message to the Council at the time of the veto.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.5 & 380.6[2])

- 5. Reports to Council. Make such oral or written reports to the Council as required. These reports shall concern municipal affairs generally, the municipal departments, and recommendations suitable for Council action.
- 6. Negotiations. Represent the City in all negotiations properly entered into in accordance with law or ordinance. The Mayor shall not represent the City where this duty is specifically delegated to another officer by law, ordinance, or Council direction.
- 7. Contracts. Whenever authorized by the Council, sign contracts on behalf of the City.
- 8. Professional Services. Upon order of the Council, secure for the City such specialized and professional services not already available to the City. In executing the order of the Council, the Mayor shall act in accordance with this Code of Ordinances and the laws of the State.

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9. Licenses and Permits. Sign all licenses and permits that have been granted by the Council, except those designated by law or ordinance to be issued by another municipal officer.

- 10. Nuisances. Issue written order for removal, at public expense, any nuisance for which no person can be found responsible and liable.
- 11. Absentee Officer. Make appropriate provision that duties of any absentee officer be carried on during such absence.
- 15.03 APPOINTMENTS. The Mayor shall appoint a Council member as Mayor Pro Tem and shall appoint and dismiss the Police Chief subject to consent of a majority of the Council. The Fire Chief, First Assistant Chief and Second Assistant Chief, Library Board of Trustees, Park and Recreation Commission, Rose Garden Board, and Historic Preservation Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to a consent of a majority of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)

- **15.04 COMPENSATION.** The salary of the Mayor is \$2,400.00 per year. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8])
- **15.05 VOTING.** The Mayor is not a member of the Council and shall not vote as a member of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)

MAYOR PRO TEM

16.01 Vice President of Council 16.02 Powers and Duties 16.03 Voting Rights 16.04 Compensation

16.01 VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL. The Mayor shall appoint a member of the Council as Mayor Pro Tem, who shall serve as vice president of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[3])

16.02 POWERS AND DUTIES. Except for the limitations otherwise provided herein, the Mayor Pro Tem shall perform the duties of the Mayor in cases of absence or inability of the Mayor to perform such duties. In the exercise of the duties of the office the Mayor Pro Tem shall not have power to appoint, employ, or discharge from employment officers or employees that the Mayor has the power to appoint, employ, or discharge without the approval of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[3])

16.03 VOTING RIGHTS. The Mayor Pro Tem shall have the right to vote as a member of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[3])

16.04 COMPENSATION. If the Mayor Pro Tem performs the duties of the Mayor during the Mayor's absence or disability for a continuous period of 15 days or more, the Mayor Pro Tem may be paid for that period the compensation as determined by the Council, based upon the Mayor Pro Tem's performance of the Mayor's duties and upon the compensation of the Mayor.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8])

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CITY COUNCIL

17.01 Number and Term of Council

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17.01 NUMBER AND TERM OF COUNCIL. The Council consists of five Council members elected at large for overlapping terms of four years.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4 & 376.2)

- 17.02 POWERS AND DUTIES. The powers and duties of the Council include, but are not limited to the following:
 - 1. General. All powers of the City are vested in the Council except as otherwise provided by law or ordinance.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.2[1])

2. Wards. By ordinance, the Council may divide the City into wards based upon population, change the boundaries of wards, eliminate wards, or create new wards.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[7])

3. Fiscal Authority. The Council shall apportion and appropriate all funds, and audit and allow all bills, accounts, payrolls and claims, and order payment thereof. It shall make all assessments for the cost of street improvements, sidewalks, sewers and other work, improvement, or repairs that may be specially assessed.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.2[1], 384.16 & 384.38[1])

4. Public Improvements. The Council shall make all orders for the construction of any improvements, bridges, or buildings.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.2[1])

- 5. Contracts. The Council shall make or authorize the making of all contracts. No contract shall bind or be obligatory upon the City unless approved by the Council. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 26.10)
- 6. Employees. The Council shall authorize, by resolution, the number, duties, term of office and compensation of employees or officers not otherwise provided for by State law or the Code of Ordinances.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

7. Setting Compensation for Elected Officers. By ordinance, the Council shall prescribe the compensation of the Mayor, Council members, and other elected City officers, but a change in the compensation of the Mayor does not become effective during the term in which the change is adopted, and the Council shall not adopt such an ordinance changing the compensation of any elected officer during the months of November and December in the year of a regular City election. A change in the compensation of Council members becomes effective for all Council members at the beginning of the term of the Council members elected at the election next following the change in compensation.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8])

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8. Gifts to the City. The Council is authorized to receive and hold property, real and personal, by gift and bequest and to administer the property through the proper officer in pursuance of the terms of the gift or bequest. Title of the property shall not pass to the City unless accepted by resolution of the Council. Conditions attached to the gift or bequest shall become binding upon the City upon acceptance by resolution.

17.03 **EXERCISE OF POWER.** The Council shall exercise a power only by the passage of a motion, a resolution, an amendment, or an ordinance in the following manner:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.3[1])

1. Action by Council. Passage of an ordinance, amendment, or resolution requires a majority vote of all of the members of the Council. Passage of a motion requires a majority vote of a quorum of the Council. A resolution must be passed to spend public funds in excess of \$100,000.00 on a public improvement project, or to accept public improvements and facilities upon their completion. Each Council member's vote on a measure must be recorded. A measure that fails to receive sufficient votes for passage shall be considered defeated.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.4)

2. Overriding Mayor's Veto. Within 30 days after the Mayor's veto, the Council may pass the measure again by a vote of not less than two-thirds of all of the members of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.6[2])

- 3. Measures Become Effective. Measures passed by the Council become effective in one of the following ways:
 - A. An ordinance or amendment signed by the Mayor becomes effective when the ordinance or a summary of the ordinance is published, unless a subsequent effective date is provided within the ordinance or amendment.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.6[1a])

B. A resolution signed by the Mayor becomes effective immediately upon signing.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.6[1b])

C. A motion becomes effective immediately upon passage of the motion by the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.6[1c])

D. If the Mayor vetoes an ordinance, amendment or resolution and the Council repasses the measure after the Mayor's veto, a resolution becomes effective immediately upon repassage, and an ordinance or amendment becomes a law when the ordinance or a summary of the ordinance is published, unless a subsequent effective date is provided within the ordinance or amendment.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.6[2])

E. If the Mayor takes no action on an ordinance, amendment or resolution, a resolution becomes effective 14 days after the date of passage, and an ordinance or amendment becomes law when the ordinance or a summary of the ordinance is published, but not sooner than 14 days after the date of passage, unless a subsequent effective date is provided within the ordinance or amendment.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.6[3])

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"All of the members of the Council" refers to all of the seats of the Council including a vacant seat and a seat where the member is absent, but does not include a seat where the Council member declines to vote by reason of a conflict of interest.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.1[a])

- 17.04 COUNCIL MEETINGS. Procedures for giving notice of meetings of the Council and other provisions regarding the conduct of Council meetings are contained in Section 5.06 of this Code of Ordinances. Additional particulars relating to Council meetings are the following:
 - 1. Regular Meetings. The time and place of the regular meetings of the Council shall be fixed by resolution of the Council.
 - 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings shall be held upon call of the Mayor or upon the request of a majority of the members of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[5])

- 3. Quorum. A majority of all Council members is a quorum. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[1])
- 4. Rules of Procedure. The Council shall determine its own rules and maintain records of its proceedings.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[5])

- 5. Compelling Attendance. Any three members of the Council can compel the attendance of the absent members at any regular, adjourned, or duly called meeting, by serving a written notice upon the absent members to attend at once.
- 17.05 APPOINTMENTS. The Council shall appoint the following officials and prescribe their powers, duties, compensation, and term of office:
 - City Clerk
 - 2. City Attorney
 - Planning and Zoning Commission
 - 4. Zoning Board of Adjustment
 - 5. Zoning Administrator
 - 6. Electric Superintendent
- 17.06 COMPENSATION. The salary of each Council member is \$700.00 per calendar year. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8])

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CITY CLERK

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18.14 Deputy City Clerk

18.01 APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION. The Council shall appoint by majority vote a City Clerk to serve at the discretion of the Council. The Clerk shall receive such compensation as established by resolution of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[3])

- **18.02 POWERS AND DUTIES: GENERAL.** The Clerk or, in the Clerk's absence or inability to act, the Deputy Clerk has the powers and duties as provided in this chapter, this Code of Ordinances, and the law.
- **18.03 PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.** Within 15 days following a regular or special meeting, the Clerk shall cause the minutes of the proceedings thereof to be published. Such publication shall include a list of all claims allowed and a summary of all receipts and shall show the gross amount of the claims.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[6])

18.04 RECORDING MEASURES. The Clerk shall promptly record each measure considered by the Council and record a statement with the measure, where applicable, indicating whether the Mayor signed, vetoed or took no action on the measure, and whether the measure was repassed after the Mayor's veto.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.7[1 & 2])

18.05 OTHER PUBLICATIONS. The Clerk shall cause to be published all ordinances, enactments, proceedings and official notices requiring publication as follows:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.3)

- 1. Time. If notice of an election, hearing, or other official action is required by this Code of Ordinances or law, the notice must be published at least once, not less than four or more than 20 days before the date of the election, hearing, or other action, unless otherwise provided by law.
- 2. Manner of Publication. A publication required by this Code of Ordinances or law must be in a newspaper published at least once weekly and having general circulation in the City.
- **18.06 AUTHENTICATION.** The Clerk shall authenticate all measures except motions with the Clerk's signature, certifying the time and manner of publication when required.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.7[4])

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18.07 CERTIFICATION. The Clerk shall certify all measures establishing any zoning district, building lines, or fire limits and a plat showing the district, lines, or limits to the recorder of the County containing the affected parts of the City.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.11)

18.08 RECORDS. The Clerk shall maintain the specified City records in the following manner:

1. Ordinances and Codes. Maintain copies of all effective City ordinances and codes for public use.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.7[5])

2. Custody. Have custody and be responsible for the safekeeping of all writings or documents in which the City is a party in interest unless otherwise specifically directed by law or ordinance.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

3. Maintenance. Maintain all City records and documents, or accurate reproductions, for at least five years except that ordinances, resolutions, Council proceedings, records and documents, or accurate reproductions, relating to the issuance, cancellation, transfer, redemption or replacement of public bonds or obligations shall be kept for at least 11 years following the final maturity of the bonds or obligations. Ordinances, resolutions, Council proceedings, records and documents, or accurate reproductions, relating to real property transactions shall be maintained permanently.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[3 & 5])

4. Provide Copy. Furnish upon request to any municipal officer a copy of any record, paper or public document under the Clerk's control when it may be necessary to such officer in the discharge of such officer's duty; furnish a copy to any citizen when requested upon payment of the fee set by Council resolution; under the direction of the Mayor or other authorized officer, affix the seal of the City to those public documents or instruments that by this Code of Ordinances are required to be attested by the affixing of the seal.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4 & 5] and 380.7[5])

5. Filing of Communications. Keep and file all communications and petitions directed to the Council or to the City generally. The Clerk shall endorse thereon the action of the Council taken upon matters considered in such communications and petitions.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

18.09 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS. The Clerk shall attend all regular and special Council meetings and, at the direction of the Council, the Clerk shall attend meetings of committees, boards, and commissions. The Clerk shall record and preserve a correct record of the proceedings of such meetings.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

18.10 LICENSES AND PERMITS. The Clerk shall issue or revoke licenses and permits when authorized by this Code of Ordinances, and keep a record of licenses and permits issued which shall show date of issuance, license or permit number, official receipt number, name of person to whom issued, term of license or permit, and purpose for which issued.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

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18.11 NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENTS. The Clerk shall inform all persons appointed by the Mayor or Council to offices in the City government of their positions and the time at which they shall assume the duties of their offices.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

- **18.12 ELECTIONS.** The Clerk shall perform the duties relating to elections in accordance with Chapter 376 of the *Code of Iowa*.
- 18.13 CITY SEAL. The City seal is in the custody of the Clerk and shall be attached by the Clerk to all transcripts, orders, and certificates that it may be necessary or proper to authenticate. The City seal is circular in form, in the center of which are the words "INCORPORATED SEAL 1887" and around the margin of which are the words "INCORPORATED TOWN OF STATE CENTER, IOWA."
- **18.14 DEPUTY CITY CLERK.** The office of Deputy City Clerk is established as follows:
 - 1. Appointment. The Clerk shall appoint a Deputy Clerk subject to consent of a majority of the Council.
 - 2. Authority. When the Clerk is absent or unable to act, the Deputy Clerk shall perform the Clerk's duties and the actions of the Deputy Clerk, when the Clerk is absent or unable to act, are legal and binding to the same extent as if done by the Clerk.
 - 3. Compensation. The Deputy Clerk shall be compensated in an amount or at a rate as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Council.
 - 4. Hours of Work. The Deputy Clerk shall work such hours as may be directed from time to time by the Clerk.
 - 5. Removal. The Clerk shall have the power to dismiss the Deputy Clerk.

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CITY TREASURER

19.01 Appointment 19.02 Compensation

19.03 Duties of Treasurer

- **19.01 APPOINTMENT.** The City Clerk is the Treasurer and performs all functions required of the position of Treasurer.
- 19.02 COMPENSATION. The Clerk receives no additional compensation for performing the duties of the Treasurer.
- **19.03 DUTIES OF TREASURER.** The duties of the Treasurer are as follows: (Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])
 - 1. Custody of Funds. Be responsible for the safe custody of all funds of the City in the manner provided by law and Council direction.
 - 2. Record of Fund. Keep the record of each fund separate.
 - 3. Record Receipts. Keep an accurate record of all money or securities received by the Treasurer on behalf of the City and specify the date, from whom, and for what purpose received.
 - 4. Record Disbursements. Keep an accurate account of all disbursements, money, or property, specifying date, to whom, and from what fund paid.
 - 5. Special Assessments. Keep a separate account of all money received by the Treasurer from special assessments.
 - 6. Deposit Funds. Upon receipt of moneys to be held in the Treasurer's custody and belonging to the City, deposit the same in depositories selected by the Council.
 - 7. Reconciliation. Reconcile depository statements with the Treasurer's books and certify monthly to the Council the balance of cash and investments of each fund and amounts received and disbursed.
 - 8. Debt Service. Keep a register of all bonds outstanding and record all payments of interest and principal.
 - 9. Other Duties. Perform such other duties as specified by the Council by resolution or ordinance.

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CITY ATTORNEY

20.01 Appointment and Compensation 20.02 Attorney for City 20.03 Power of Attorney 20.04 Ordinance Preparation 20.05 Review and Comment 20.06 Provide Legal Opinion 20.07 Attendance at Council Meetings 20.08 Prepare Documents

20.01 APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION. The Council shall appoint by majority vote a City Attorney to serve at the discretion of the Council. The City Attorney shall receive such compensation as established by resolution of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.02 ATTORNEY FOR CITY. The City Attorney shall act as attorney for the City in all matters affecting the City's interest and appear on behalf of the City before any court, tribunal, commission, or board. The City Attorney shall prosecute or defend all actions and proceedings when so requested by the Mayor or Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.03 POWER OF ATTORNEY. The City Attorney shall sign the name of the City to all appeal bonds and to all other bonds or papers of any kind that may be essential to the prosecution of any cause in court, and when so signed the City shall be bound upon the same.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.04 ORDINANCE PREPARATION. The City Attorney shall prepare those ordinances that the Council may desire and direct to be prepared and report to the Council upon all such ordinances before their final passage by the Council and publication.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.05 REVIEW AND COMMENT. The City Attorney shall, upon request, make a report to the Council giving an opinion on all contracts, documents, resolutions, or ordinances submitted to or coming under the City Attorney's notice.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.06 PROVIDE LEGAL OPINION. The City Attorney shall give advice or a written legal opinion on City contracts and all questions of law relating to City matters submitted by the Mayor or Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.07 ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS. The City Attorney shall attend meetings of the Council at the request of the Mayor or Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

20.08 PREPARE DOCUMENTS. The City Attorney shall, upon request, formulate drafts for contracts, forms, and other writings that may be required for the use of the City.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])

CHAPTER 20 CITY ATTORNEY

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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

21.01 Public Library

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21.07 Nonresident Use

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21.09 Annual Report

21.10 Injury to Books or Property

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21.12 Notice Posted

- **21.01 PUBLIC LIBRARY.** The public library for the City is known as the Gutekunst Public Library. It is referred to in this chapter as the Library.
- **21.02 LIBRARY TRUSTEES.** The Board of Trustees of the Library, hereinafter referred to as the Board, consists of seven resident members. All members are to be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council.
- 21.03 QUALIFICATIONS OF TRUSTEES. All members of the Board shall be bona fide citizens and residents of the City. Members shall be over the age of eighteen (18) years.
- **21.04 ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.** The organization of the Board shall be as follows:
 - 1. Term of Office. All appointments to the Board shall be for six years, except to fill vacancies. Each term shall commence on July 1. Appointments shall be made every two years of one-third the total number or as near as possible, to stagger the terms.
 - 2. Vacancies. The position of any member of the Board shall be declared vacant for any of the following reasons:
 - A. If the member moves permanently from the City;
 - B. If the member is absent from three meetings in one fiscal year without having given notice to the Librarian at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting; or
 - C. If the member has six absences in one fiscal year. Exceptions may be made in the case of extended illness or temporary absence from the City.

Vacancies in the Board shall be filled for the unexpired term for which the appointment is made and shall be made as provided in Section 21.02 of this chapter.

- 3. Compensation. Trustees shall receive no compensation for their services.
- 21.05 POWERS AND DUTIES. The Board shall have and exercise the following powers and duties:
 - 1. Officers. To meet and elect from its members a President, a Secretary, and such other officers as it deems necessary.
 - 2. Physical Plant. To have charge, control and supervision of the Library, its appurtenances, fixtures and rooms containing the same.
 - 3. Charge of Affairs. To direct and control all affairs of the Library.

- 4. Hiring of Personnel. To employ a Librarian, and authorize the Librarian to employ such assistants and employees as may be necessary for the proper management of the Library, and fix their compensation; provided, however, prior to such employment, the compensation of the Librarian, assistants, and employees shall have been fixed and approved by a majority of the members of the Board voting in favor thereof.
- 5. Removal of Personnel. To remove the Librarian, by a two-thirds vote of the Board, and provide procedures for the removal of the assistants or employees for misdemeanor, incompetence, or inattention to duty, subject however, to the provisions of Chapter 35C of the *Code of Iowa*.
- 6. Purchases. To select, or authorize the Librarian to select, and make purchases of books, pamphlets, magazines, periodicals, papers, maps, journals, other Library materials, furniture, fixtures, stationery, and supplies for the Library within budgetary limits set by the Board.
- 7. Use by Nonresidents. To authorize the use of the Library by nonresidents and to fix charges therefor unless a contract for free service exists.
- 8. Rules and Regulations. To make and adopt, amend, modify, or repeal rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this Code of Ordinances and the law, for the care, use, government and management of the Library and the business of the Board, fixing and enforcing penalties for violations.
- 9. Expenditures. To have exclusive control of the expenditure of all funds allocated for Library purposes by the Council, and of all moneys available by gift or otherwise for the erection of Library buildings, and of all other moneys belonging to the Library including fines and rentals collected under the rules of the Board.
- 10. Gifts. To accept gifts of real property, personal property, or mixed property, and devises and bequests, including trust funds; to take the title to said property in the name of the Library; to execute deeds and bills of sale for the conveyance of said property; and to expend the funds received by them from such gifts, for the improvement of the Library.
- 11. Enforce the Performance of Conditions on Gifts. To enforce the performance of conditions on gifts, donations, devises and bequests accepted by the City by action against the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Ch. 661)

12. Record of Proceedings. To keep a record of its proceedings.

21.06 CONTRACTING WITH OTHER LIBRARIES. The Board has power to contract with other libraries in accordance with the following:

1. Contracting. The Board may contract with any other boards of trustees of free public libraries, with any other city, school corporation, private or semiprivate organization, institution of higher learning, township, or County, or with the trustees of any County library district for the use of the Library by their respective residents.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.5 & Ch. 28E)

2. Termination. Such a contract may be terminated at any time by mutual consent of the contracting parties. It also may be terminated by a majority vote of the electors represented by either of the contracting parties. Such a termination proposition shall be submitted to the electors by the governing body of a contracting party on a written

petition of not less than five percent in number of the electors who voted for governor in the territory of the contracting party at the last general election. The petition must be presented to the governing body not less than 40 days before the election. The proposition may be submitted at any election provided by law which is held in the territory of the party seeking to terminate the contract.

- **21.07 NONRESIDENT USE.** The Board may authorize the use of the Library by persons not residents of the City or County in any one or more of the following ways:
 - 1. Lending. By lending the books or other materials of the Library to nonresidents on the same terms and conditions as to residents of the City, or County, or upon payment of a special nonresident Library fee.
 - 2. Depository. By establishing depositories of Library books or other materials to be loaned to nonresidents.
 - 3. Bookmobiles. By establishing bookmobiles or a traveling library so that books or other Library materials may be loaned to nonresidents.
 - 4. Branch Library. By establishing branch libraries for lending books or other Library materials to nonresidents.
- **21.08 EXPENDITURES.** All money appropriated by the Council for the operation and maintenance of the Library shall be set aside in an account for the Library. Expenditures shall be paid for only on orders of the Board, signed by its President and Secretary.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.20 & 392.5)

- **21.09 ANNUAL REPORT.** The Board shall make a report to the Council immediately after the close of the fiscal year. This report shall contain statements as to the condition of the Library, the number of books added, the number circulated, the amount of fines collected, and the amount of money expended in the maintenance of the Library during the year, together with such further information as may be required by the Council.
- **21.10 INJURY TO BOOKS OR PROPERTY.** It is unlawful for a person willfully, maliciously or wantonly to tear, deface, mutilate, injure or destroy, in whole or in part, any newspaper, periodical, book, map, pamphlet, chart, picture or other property belonging to the Library or reading room.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

21.11 THEFT. No person shall take possession or control of property of the Library with the intent to deprive the Library thereof.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 714.1)

- 21.12 NOTICE POSTED. There shall be posted in clear public view within the Library notices informing the public of the following:
 - 1. Failure to Return. Failure to return Library materials for two months or more after the date the person agreed to return the Library materials, or failure to return Library equipment for one month or more after the date the person agreed to return the Library equipment, is evidence of intent to deprive the owner, provided a reasonable attempt, including the mailing by restricted certified mail of notice that such material or equipment is overdue and criminal actions will be taken, has been made to reclaim the materials or equipment.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 714.5)

2. Detention and Search. Persons concealing Library materials may be detained and searched pursuant to law.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 808.12)

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

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22.04 Compensation 22.05 Powers and Duties

22.01 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION. The City Planning and Zoning Commission, hereinafter referred to as the Commission, consists of five members appointed by the Council. The Commission members shall be residents of the City and shall not hold any elective office in the City government.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 414.6 & 392.1)

22.02 TERM OF OFFICE. The term of office of the members of the Commission shall be five years. The terms of not more than one-third of the members will expire in any one year.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

22.03 VACANCIES. If any vacancy exists on the Commission, caused by resignation or otherwise, a successor for the residue of the term shall be appointed in the same manner as the original appointee.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

All members of the Commission shall serve without 22.04 COMPENSATION. compensation, except their actual expenses, which shall be subject to the approval of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

- 22.05 POWERS AND DUTIES. The Commission shall have and exercise the following powers and duties:
 - Selection of Officers. The Commission shall choose annually at its first regular meeting one of its members to act as Chairperson and another as Vice Chairperson, who shall perform all the duties of the Chairperson during the Chairperson's absence or disability.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

Adopt Rules and Regulations. The Commission shall adopt such rules and regulations governing its organization and procedure as it may deem necessary.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

Zoning. The Commission shall have and exercise all the powers and duties and privileges in establishing the City zoning regulations and other related matters and may from time to time recommend to the Council amendments, supplements, changes or modifications, all as provided by Chapter 414 of the Code of Iowa.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 414.6)

Recommendations on Improvements. The design and proposed location of 4. public improvements shall be submitted to the Commission for its recommendations prior to any actions being taken by the City for the construction or placement of such improvements. Such requirements and recommendations shall not act as a stay upon

action for any such improvement if the Commission, after 30 days' written notice requesting such recommendations, has failed to file the same.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

5. Review and Comment on Plats. All plans, plats, or re-plats of subdivisions or re-subdivisions of land in the City or adjacent thereto, laid out in lots or plats with the streets, alleys, or other portions of the same intended to be dedicated to the public in the City, shall first be submitted to the Commission and its recommendations obtained before approval by the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

6. Fiscal Responsibilities. The Commission shall have full, complete, and exclusive authority to expend, for and on behalf of the City, all sums of money appropriated to it and to use and expend all gifts, donations, or payments that are received by the City for City planning and zoning purposes.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

7. Limitation on Entering Contracts. The Commission shall have no power to contract debts beyond the amount of its original or amended appropriation as approved by the Council for the present year.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

8. Annual Report. The Commission shall each year make a report to the Mayor and Council of its proceedings, with a full statement of its receipts and disbursements and the progress of its work during the preceding fiscal year.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 392.1)

ORDINANCE NO. 362

AN ORDINANCE COMBINING CHAPTER 23 PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION AND CHAPTER 24 ROSE GARDENT BOARD INTO CHAPTER 23 AS ONE BOARD.

WHEREAS the City of Council of the City of State Center recognizes that the Park and Recreation Commission and the Rose Garden Board are often comprised of many of the same volunteer members and that the two have many common qualifications, powers, and duties; and,

WHEREAS the chairpersons of the afore mentioned commission and board have approached the City Council with the idea that the Park and Recreation Commission and the Rose Garden Board and their respective City Code Chapters would best serve the City as a combined unit;

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of State Center that Chapters 23 and 24 as adopted November 17, 2020, and on December 3, 2020, published notice of the same, are hereby rescinded and the following Chapter 23 Park, Recreation and Rose Garden Board be adopted:

SECTION 1. CHAPTER MODIFIED:

CHAPTER 23 PARK, RECREATION AND ROSE GARDEN BOARD

23.01 Board Created 23.02 Qualifications of Board Members 23.03 Compensation 23.04 Officers

23.05 Board Meetings

23.06 Vacancies

23.07 Records

23.08 Jurisdiction

23.10 Powers and Duties

23.11 Accounting

23.12 Termination of Board

23.01 BOARD CREATED. The Park, Recreation and Rose Garden Board, consisting of five members with the Mayor serving as an ex officio member of the Board, is hereby created as an administrative agency of the City to maintain and improve the public parks of the City including the State Center Rose Gardens, such Board to have commensurate authority to perform such duty. Board members shall be nominated by the Board President and appointed by the Mayor with consent of the Council. The Mayor, with the approval of the Council, may appoint such other ex officio members as may be beneficial to the park, recreation, and Rose Garden programs of the City.

23.02 QUALIFICATIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS. All five members of the Board shall be bona fide residents of the City and all shall be over the age of 18 years.

23.03 COMPENSATION. The members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services.

23.04 TERMS OF OFFICE. All appointments to the Board shall be for staggered, fiveyear terms, and shall coincide with the City fiscal year of July 1 to June 30.

23.05 OFFICERS. The officers of the Board to be elected at the annual organizational

meeting shall be a President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer. Meetings of the Board shall be presided over by the President and in the absence of the President by the Vice President. The Secretary-Treasurer shall prepare and preserve minutes of all meetings of the Board and shall prepare and preserve a complete accounting of all financial affairs of the Board.

- **23.06 BOARD MEETINGS.** During the month of July of each year the Board shall hold an organizational meeting on the call of the President. At the organizational meeting, the Board shall elect from among its members officers to serve during the fiscal year and shall fix a schedule of regular meetings for the fiscal year. Special meetings of the Board may be held on call of the President or a majority of the members. The failure of a member to attend at least 50 percent of the regular meetings of the Board during a fiscal year shall constitute a resignation from the Board by such member.
- **23.07 VACANCIES.** A vacancy on the Board shall be filled by the Board even if the remaining members of the Board do not constitute a quorum. All appointments by the Board shall be subject to and become effective upon approval of the Mayor and Council. The appointment to fill a scheduled vacancy for a regular five-year term commencing on July 1 shall be accomplished during the preceding June. An appointment to fill a vacancy for the remainder of an unexpired term shall be accomplished within 60 days after the vacancy occurs.
- **23.08 RECORDS.** The Board shall keep a permanent record of all its meetings and shall deliver to the Clerk copies of the minutes of each and every meeting of the Board within a reasonable time after each meeting but never less than two days before the next scheduled meeting of the Council.
- **23.09 JURISDICTION.** The Board shall have, subject to the direction of the Council when and as the Council may deem advisable, control of the City's public parks, Rose Garden, playgrounds, and recreation centers whether within or without the corporate limits of the City and the ordinances of the City shall be in full force and effect in and over those areas under the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 23.10 **POWERS AND DUTIES.** The Board shall possess and exercise the following powers and duties:
- 1. Recommendations. Develop and recommend to the Council policies, rules, regulations, ordinances, and budgets relating to the care, use, government and management of the parks, playgrounds, Rose Garden and recreation centers over which the Board has jurisdiction.
- 2. Annual Reports. Transmit to the Council during the month of July of each year a report of the Board's activities and recommendations for the development and operation of the parks, playgrounds, recreation centers and programs over which the Board has jurisdiction.
- 3. Program Integration. Be responsible for integrating its programs with other governmental agencies, including, but not limited to, the City, the Community School Districts, the County and other municipalities within the area.
- 4. Personnel. Employ any such personnel as may be necessary for the proper management of the parks, playgrounds, recreation centers and programs and to fix their terms of employment, duties, and compensation subject to approval by the Council.
- 5. Funds. Have control of the expenditure of funds allocated for park, playground, recreation, and program purposes by the Council, and of all moneys available by gift or

otherwise under the rules established by the Board; provided, however, any expenditure in excess of \$1,000.00 must have the prior approval of the Council and the Board must stay within its budget.

- 6. Contracts. Enter into contracts subject to the approval of the Council.
- 7. Gifts. Accept gifts, devises, and bequests of real property subject to the approval of the Council and of personal property, either outright or in trust, and enforce the performance of conditions which may be attached to such gifts, devises, or bequests.
- **XX.11 ACCOUNTING.** All funds received by the Board from appropriations by the Council or by gifts from private citizens or from any other sources shall be deposited in a Federally insured bank account and disbursed therefrom upon the order of the Board by checks co-signed by the President and Secretary-Treasurer. The Board shall cooperate with and provide to the City Clerk all requested documents required for the annual financial audit.

XX.12 **TERMINATION OF BOARD.** In the event that the Board ceased to exist as an administrative agency of the City, the accumulated and unexpended funds of the Board shall be allocated by the Council to a special trust fund to be used for accomplishing the purposes for which the Board was created.

SECTION 2. CHAPTER DELETED. Chapter 24 is removed from the 2020 State Center Code of Ordinances

SECTION 3. REPEALER. All ordinances or part of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable for any reason, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of enforcement of the remaining provisions.

SECTION 5. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

1st Reading, May 18, 2021 2nd Reading, June 15, 2021 3rd Reading, Waived June 15, 2021

Ordinance 362 is passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of State Center the 15th day of June 2021.

Effective upon publication in the Mid Iowa Enterprise.

Steve Sodders, Mayor

Attest:

Lori Bearden, City Clerk

I certify that the forgoing was published as Ordinance No. 362 on the 24th day of June 2021.

(Seal)

Lori Bearden, City Clerk

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

25.01 Purpose and Intent

25.02 Definitions

25.03 State Center Historic Preservation Commission

25.04 Powers of the Commission 25.05 Additional Powers

25.01 PURPOSE AND INTENT. The purpose of this chapter is to:

- 1. Promote the educational, cultural, economic and general welfare of the public through the recognition, enhancement, and perpetuation of sites and districts of historical and cultural significance.
- 2. Safeguard the City's historic, aesthetic, and cultural heritage by preserving sites and districts of historic and cultural significance.
- 3. Stabilize and improve property values.
- 4. Foster pride in the legacy of beauty and achievements of the past.
- 5. Protect and enhance the City's attractions to tourists and visitors and the support and stimulus to business thereby provided.
- 6. Strengthen the economy of the City.
- 7. Promote the use of sites and districts of historic and cultural significance as places for the education, pleasure, and welfare of the people of the City.

25.02 DEFINITIONS.

- 1. "Commission" means the State Center Historic Preservation Commission, as established by this chapter.
- 2. "Historic district" means an area which contains a significant portion of sites including archaeological sites, buildings, structures, objects and/or other improvements which, considered as a whole, possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and:
 - A. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or that represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 - B. Is associated with events that have made significant contributions to the broad patterns of our local, state or national history; or
 - C. Possesses a coherent and distinctive visual character or integrity based upon similarity of scale, design, color, setting, workmanship, materials, or combinations thereof, which is deemed to add significantly to the value and attractiveness of properties within such area;
 - D. Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or
 - E. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

- 3. "Historic landmark" means a site including archaeological sites, object, structure or building which:
 - A. Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; or
 - B. Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or
 - C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represents a work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or that represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 - D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

25.03 STATE CENTER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION.

- 1. The Commission shall initially consist of 3 members who shall be residents of the City.
- 2. Members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council. Members shall demonstrate a positive interest in historic preservation, possessing interest or expertise in architecture, architectural history, historic preservation, city planning, building rehabilitation, conservation in general or real estate.
- 3. The original appointment of the members of the Commission shall be, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, from January 1 following the year of such appointment or until their successor is appointed to serve for the term of three years.
- 4. Vacancies occurring in the Commission, other than expiration of term of office, shall be only for the unexpired portion of the term of the member replaced.
- 5. Members may serve for more than one term and each member shall serve until the appointment of a successor.
- 6. Vacancies shall be filled by the City according to the original selection as aforesaid.
- 7. Members shall serve without compensation.
- 8. A simple majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 9. The Commission shall elect a Chairperson who shall preside over all Commission meetings and elect a Secretary who shall be responsible for maintaining written records of the Commission's proceedings.
- 10. The Commission shall meet at least three times a year.

25.04 POWERS OF THE COMMISSION. The Commission has the following powers and duties:

1. Conduct studies for the identification and designation of historic districts and landmarks meeting the definitions established by this chapter.

ORDINANCE NO. 361

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 25.03 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STATE CENTER, IOWA, BY ADDING TWO BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS TO THE STATE CENTER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

WHEREAS the State Center Historic Preservation Commission and the State Center City Council anticipate the need for a five-member board for adequate execution of objectives and responsibilities of the Commission instead of the current three-member board,

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of State Center, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 25.03(1) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of State Center, Iowa is amended to change the number of board members of the State Center Historic Preservation Commission from three to five members:

25.03 STATE CENTER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION.

1. The Commission shall consist of five (5) members who shall be residents of the City.

SECTION 2. REPEALER. All ordinances or part of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable for any reason, such adjudication shall not affect the validity or enforcement of the remaining provisions.

SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

1st Reading March 16, 2021

2nd Reading Waived March 16, 2021

3rd Reading Waived March 16, 2021

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of State Center the 16th day of March 2021. Effective upon publication in the Mid Iowa Enterprise.

Steven J Sodders, Mayor

Attest: Lori Bearden, City Clerk

Publication date: 03.25.21

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- 2. Proceed at its own initiative or upon a petition from any person, group, or association.
- 3. Maintain records of all studies and inventories for public use.
- 4. Make a recommendation to the State Historic Preservation Office for the listing of a historic district or landmark in the National Register of Historic Places and conduct a public hearing thereon.
- 5. Investigate and recommend to the City Council the adoption of ordinances designating historic landmarks and historic districts if they qualify as defined herein.
- 6. Provide information for the purpose of historic preservation to the governing body.
- 7. Promote and conduct an educational and interpretive program on historic properties within its jurisdiction.
- **25.05 ADDITIONAL POWERS.** In addition to those duties and powers specified above, the Commission may, with City Council approval:
 - 1. Accept unconditional gifts and donations of real and personal property, including money, for the purpose of historic preservation.
 - 2. Acquire by purchase, bequest, or donation, fee and lesser interests in historic properties, including properties adjacent to or associated with historic properties.
 - 3. Preserve, restore, maintain and operate historic properties, under the ownership or control of the Commission.
 - 4. Lease, sell, and otherwise transfer or dispose of historic properties subject to rights of public access and other covenants and in a manner that will preserve the property.
 - 5. Contract, with the approval of the governing body, with the State or the federal government or other organizations.
 - 6. Cooperate with the federal, State and local governments in the pursuance of the objectives of historic preservation.

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