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The mayor shall be elected for a four-year term, and shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified as is provided by statute. The mayor shall be inaugurated and his term shall commence after the conclusion of old business, if any, at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of May following the general election in which the mayor is elected.

(1983-M-53 : § 1 (a); Prior code : § 1.001)

2.02.020 – Powers and duties

The mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the city, shall preside over the meetings of the council, and shall perform such duties as may be required of him by statute or ordinance. He shall have supervision over all of the executive officers and employees of the city, and shall have the power and authority to inspect all books and records pertaining to city affairs and kept by any officer or employee of the city at any reasonable time.

(Prior code : § 1.002)

2.02.030 – Appointment of Officers

he mayor shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the city council, all officers of the city whose election or appointment is not otherwise provided for. Any vacancies occurring in an appointive office shall be filled in the same manner.

(Prior code : § 1.003)

2.02.040 – Designation of officers duties

Whenever there is a dispute as to the respective duties or powers of any appointed officer of the city, this dispute shall be settled by the mayor after consultation with the city attorney; and the mayor shall have the power to delegate to any appointed officer any duty which is to be performed when no specific officer has been directed to perform that duty.

(Prior code : § 1.004)

2.02.050 – Mayor pro tem

During a temporary absence or disability of the mayor, the city council shall elect one of its member to act as mayor pro tem, who during such absence or disability shall possess the powers of the mayor, as is provided by statute. If during a temporary absence or disability of the Mayor, the Mayor pro-tem is unable or unwilling to act as Mayor, the then sitting Alderman with the most seniority shall possess the powers of the Mayor. The most senior Alderman shall be defined as that individual sitting on the the City Council at that time with the most continuous years of service. In the event that more than one member of the City Council have equal years of continuous service, the determination as to who shall act shall be made by the toss of a coin.

(2019-M-29 : § 1; Prior code : § 1.005)

2.02.060 – Acting Mayor

In the event of a vacancy in the office of the mayor, the council may appoint one of the members as acting mayor to serve until the vacancy is filled at a regular or special election as provided by law.

(Prior code : § 1.007)

2.02.070 – City representative at formal occasions

The mayor shall act for and on behalf of the city on formal occasions and receptions; but in his absence or inability to attend any such function the council may select any other city officer to so act.

(Prior code : § 1.007)

2.02.080 – Bond required

Before entering upon the duties of his office, the mayor shall execute a bond in such amount and with such sureties as may be required by the council, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of his office; provided, the amount of such bond shall not be less than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00).

(Prior code : § 1.008)

2.02.090 – Salary and compensation

The salary of the mayor is fixed as follows: The mayor shall receive a base salary of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred and no/100ths (\$17,500.00) Dollars per year for attendance at City Council meetings, Committee meetings, and for all such other mayoral duties.

(2000-M-92 : § 1; 1996-M-68 : § 1; 1977-M-18 : § 1)

2.04 – City Council

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2.04.010 – Election - Terms of office - Powers and duties

The members of the City Council shall be elected and serve for a four-year term. The term of the members of the City Council shall commence after the conclusion of old business, if any, at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of May following receipt of certified election results for the local election authority. The council shall be the legislative division of the city government and shall perform such duties and have such powers as may be authorized by statute.

(2007-M-15 : § 1; 1983-M-53 : § 1 (b); Prior code : § 2.101)

2.04.020 – Meetings - Time and place

The regular meetings of the City Council shall be held at the St. Charles Municipal Center on the first and third Mondays of every month at the hour of seven (7:00) o'clock p.m., provided that if the regular meeting falls on a Federal holiday, listed as follows, the meeting shall take place on the next secular day at the same hour:

- the 1st day of January, commonly called New Year's Day;
- the 3rd Monday in January, commonly known as Martin Luther King Jr. Day;
- the 3rd Monday in February, commonly known as Presidents' Day;
- the 4th day of July, commonly known as Independence Day (as observed);
- the 1st Monday in September, commonly known as Labor Day;
- the 11th day of November, commonly known as Veterans Day;
- the 25th day of December, commonly called Christmas Day (as observed);

When any such holidays fall on Sunday, the Monday next following shall be held and considered such holiday. Adjourned meetings may be held at such time as the City Council may determine.

(2011-M-2 : § 1; 2004-M-11 : § 1; 2000-M-24 : § 1; 1988-M-106 : § 1; 1986-M-2 ; 1975-M-18 ; Prior code : § 2.102)

2.04.030 – Special meetings

Special meetings of the council may be called by the mayor or three aldermen; provided, that a written notice of such meeting shall be given to each member of the council at least forty-eight hours before the time set for the meeting; provided further, that in case all of the elected members of the council are present at any regular meeting, then the requirement of notice shall be unnecessary and shall be deemed waived.

(Prior code : § 2.103; 2016-M-1 : § 1)

2.04.040 – Aldermen - Salary

Each alderman that is elected and takes office on or after April 3, 2001, shall be paid a salary of One Hundred Seventy-Five and no/100ths (\$175.00) Dollars for each regular, special or adjourned Council meeting as required by law.

(2016-M-1 : § 1; 2000-M-91 : § 1; 1996-M-68 : § 2; 1990-M-56 : § 1; 1987-M-28 : § 1; 1982-M-45 : § 1; 1977-M-1 : § 1)

2.04.050 – Quorum

A majority of the aldermen or one-half the aldermen and the mayor shall constitute a quorum thereof, but a smaller number may meet to adjourn from time to time or to compel attendance of absentees.

(Prior code : § 2.104)

2.04.060 – Mayor as presiding officer - Deciding vote

The mayor shall preside at all meetings of the city council. He shall not vote on any ordinance, resolution or motion, except:

- A. Where the vote of the aldermen has resulted in a tie; or
- B. Where one-half of the aldermen elected have voted in favor of an ordinance, resolution or motion, even though there is no tie vote; or
- C. Where a vote of greater than a majority of the corporate authorities is required by state statute to adopt an ordinance, resolution or motion.

In each instance specified, the mayor shall vote. Nothing in this section shall deprive an acting mayor or mayor pro tem from voting in his capacity as alderman, but he shall not be entitled to another vote in his capacity as acting mayor or mayor pro tem.

(1978-M-32 : § 1; Prior code : § 2.105)

2.04.070 – Ordinances, resolutions and motions - Approval - Veto

All resolutions and motions which:

- A. Create any liability against a city; or
- B. Provide for the expenditure or appropriation of its money; or
- C. Sell any city property;

and all ordinances, passed by the city council, shall be deposited with the city clerk. If the mayor approves of them, he shall sign them. Those of which he disapproves he shall return to the city council, with his written objections, at the next regular meeting of the city council occurring not less than five days after their passage. The mayor may disapprove of any one or more sums appropriated in any ordinances, resolution, or motion making an appropriation, and if so, the remainder shall be effective. However, the mayor may disapprove entirely of an ordinance, resolution, or motion making an appropriation. If the mayor fails to return any ordinance or any specified resolution or motion with his written objections, within the designated time, it shall become effective despite the absence of his signature.

(Prior code : § 2.106)

2.04.080 – Ordinances, resolutions and motions - Reconsideration - Passing over veto

Every resolution and motion specified in Section 2.04.070, and every ordinance, which is returned to the city council by the mayor, shall be reconsidered by the city council. If, after such reconsideration, two-thirds of all the aldermen elected to the city council agree to pass an ordinance, resolution, or motion, notwithstanding the mayor's refusal to approve it, then it shall be effective. The vote on the question of passage over the mayor's veto shall be by yeas and nays, and shall be recorded in the journal.

(Prior code : § 2.107)

2.04.090 – Standing committees - Designated

The following shall be the standing committees of the city council:

- A. Planning and Development Committee. The planning and development committee shall include and pertain to planning and development matters, zoning/annexation/boundary lines, building code enforcement, zoning map, comprehensive plan, land/cash ordinance, economic development and downtown redevelopment.
- B. Government Operations Committee. The government operations committee shall include and pertain to the municipal code, all legal suits or questions, liquor licenses, personnel manual, labor negotiations, safety manual/programs for employees, all financial matters, budgets, IRB's, bonding, insurance matters, inventory control and purchasing;
- C. Government Services Committee. The government services committee shall include and pertain to police, fire, emergency services, traffic studies, youth safety, requests for community festivals, mosquito abatement, permits for fairs/carnivals, circuses, hot air balloon/seaplane landing permits, the sewer and water utility, the electric utility, all municipal property and buildings, all infrastructure within city jurisdiction (inclusive of curbs and gutters, streets, sidewalks, sewers, water lines, parking lots, etc.) all stormwater management (special service areas or otherwise), transportation matters and all public property sales.

(1997-M-55 : § 1; 1993-M-53 : § 1; 1991-M-48 : § 1; 1989-M-72 ; 1989-M-60 ; 1985-M-89 : § 1; 1980-M-14 : § 1)

2.04.095 – Standing Committees - Special Meetings

Special meetings of a standing committee may be called by the committee chairman or a majority of the committee members; provided, that a written notice of such meeting shall be given to each member of the committee at least forty-eight hours before the time set for the meeting, except in cases of emergency as determined by the committee; and provided further, that in case all of the elected members of the committee are present at any such special meeting, then the requirement of written notice to such committee members shall be unnecessary and shall be deemed waived.

(1994-M-50 : § 1)

2.04.100 – Special committees appointed by mayor

The mayor shall appoint such special committees as he may deem necessary or as may be directed by the council.

(Prior code : § 2.109)

2.04.110 – Membership in Committees

The mayor with the advice and consent of the city council shall appoint the chairperson and vice chairperson of the standing and special committees. All standing committees shall consist of not less than ten members elected to the city council. The vice chairperson should be prepared to assume the position of chairperson or temporarily act in that position at any time. The chairperson and vice chairperson of a committee shall serve for two years and may not succeed in the same standing committee to another two-year term.

(2020-M-36 : § 1; 2016-M-1 : § 1; 1997-M-55 : § 1; 1993-M-39 : § 1; 1989-M-45 : § 1; 1989-M-33 : § 1; Prior code : § 2.110)

2.04.120 – Recordkeeping

The city clerk shall keep the minutes and records of the council proceedings.

(Prior code : § 2.111)

2.04.130 – Disturbance of meetings prohibited

It is unlawful to disturb any meeting of the city council or of any committee thereof, or to behave in a disorderly manner at any such meeting. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each offense.

(Prior code : § 2.112)

2.04.140 – Order of business at meetings

The order of business at meetings of the city council shall be as follows:

- A. Call to order;
- B. Invocation;
- C. Pledge of Allegiance;
- D. Roll call;
- E. Omnibus Vote;
- F. Presentation and approval of minutes of preceding meeting(s);
- G. Monthly reports;
- H. Old business;
- I. New business;
- J. Committee reports,
 - 1. Government Operations Committee,
 - 2. Government Services Committee,
 - 3. Planning and Development Committee,
- K. Additional items from mayor, council members or citizens;
- L. Adjournment.

(2016-M-1 : § 1; 1997-M-55 : § 3; 1988-M-40 : § 1; 1980-M-15 : § 1)

2.04.145 – Omnibus vote

At any meeting the city council or a standing committee may by unanimous consent take a single vote by yeas and nays on the several questions of the city council passage or standing committee recommendation of any two or more of the designated ordinances, orders, resolutions or motions placed together for voting purposes in and under the designation "omnibus vote," and in such event the clerk or designee may enter the words, "omnibus vote" in the journal in each case in lieu of entering the names of the members of the city council or standing committee voting "yea" and of those voting "nay" on the passage of each of the designated ordinances, orders, resolutions and motions included in such omnibus group. The taking of such single or omnibus vote and such entries of the words "omnibus vote" in the journal shall be a sufficient compliance with the provisions of the St. Charles Municipal Code for all intents and purposes and with like effect as if the vote in each case had been taken separately by yeas and nays on the question of the passage of each ordinance, order, resolution and motion including in such omnibus group, and separately recorded in the journal. Likewise, the yeas and nays shall be taken upon the question of the passage of any other resolution or motion at the request of any alderman and shall be recorded in the journal.

Ordinances: Ordinance No. 2018-M-27

(1988-M-40 : § 1; 1979-M-9 : § 1; Prior code : § 2.208(part))

2.04.147 – Items not on agenda

The city council shall not consider items not generally set forth in the agenda for the council meeting unless there is the consent of two-thirds of the members present at that meeting. The city council's failure to observe this provision shall not invalidate any action taken by the council.

(1979-M-45 : § 1; Prior code : § 2.208(part))

2.04.150 – Rescinded action

No vote or action of the city council shall be rescinded at any special meeting unless there is present at such special meeting as many members of the council as were present at the meeting when such vote or action was taken, as provided by statute.

(Prior code : § 2.202)

2.04.160 – Resolutions - Required in writing when

Any resolution submitted to the city council shall be reduced to writing before being voted upon, at the request of any two members of the council.

(Prior code : § 2.203)

2.04.170 – Addressing meetings

Deleted in its entirety.

(2016-M-1 : § 1; Prior code : § 2.204)

2.04.180 – Suspension of rules

The rules of order, other than those prescribed by statute, may be suspended at any time by consent of a majority of the members present at any meeting.

(Prior code : § 2.205)

2.04.190 – Robert's Rules of Order

Except when in conflict with the foregoing provisions, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the deliberations of the council.

(Prior code : § 2.206)

2.04.200 – Meetings open to the public

All meetings of the city council at which any legal action is taken shall be open to the public.

(Prior code : § 2.207)

2.06 – City Clerk

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2.06.010 – Election - Term of office

The city clerk shall be elected as provided by statute, and shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified. The term of the city clerk shall commence after the conclusion of old business, if any, at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of May following the general election in which he is elected.

(1983-M-53 : § 1(c); Prior code : § 4.001)

2.06.020 – Vacancy filling

In case the office of city clerk becomes vacant for any reason, the mayor and city council shall appoint a successor as provided by statute.

(Prior code : § 4.011)

2.06.030 – Bond required

Before entering upon the duties of his office, the city clerk shall execute a bond in such amount and with such sureties as may be required by the council, conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties.

(Prior code : § 4.002)

2.06.040 – Signature required on city documents

The city clerk shall seal and attest all contracts of the city, and all licenses, permits and other documents which require this formality.

(Prior code : § 4.003)

2.06.050 – Money collected - Transfer to city treasurer

The city clerk shall turn over all money received by him, on behalf of the city, to the finance department, promptly on receipt of the same; and with such money he shall give a statement as to the source of it.

(Prior code : § 4.004; 2016-M-1 : § 2)

2.06.060 – Account keeping

The city clerk shall keep accounts showing all money received by him and the source and disposition of same; and such other accounts as may be required by statute or ordinances.

(Prior code : § 4.005)

2.06.070 – Recordkeeping

In addition to the record of ordinances and other records which the clerk or delegate is required by statute to keep, they shall keep a register of all licenses and permits issued, and a record of the payment thereon; they shall keep a record showing all of the officers and regular employees of the city, and such other records as may be required by the council. The format of these records is to be determined by the clerk or their delegate.

(2016-M-1 : § 2; Prior code : § 4.006)

2.06.080 – Custodian of city seal

The clerk shall be the custodian of the city seal and shall affix its impression on documents whenever this is required.

(Prior code : § 4.007)

2.06.090 – Custodian of city documents

The clerk shall be the custodian of all documents belonging to the city which are not assigned to the custody of some other officer.

(Prior code : § 4.008)

2.06.100 – Maintenance of index to documents and records

The clerk shall keep and maintain a proper index to all documents and records kept by him, so that ready access thereto and use thereof may be had.

(Prior code : § 4.009)

2.06.110 – Election duties

The city clerk shall conduct all elections held by the city and perform all such duties in connection therewith as prescribed by the statutes of the state and the city ordinances.

(Prior code : § 4.014)

2.06.120 – Issuance of commissions

Deleted in its entirety.

(2016-M-1 : § 2; Prior code : § 4.013)

2.06.130 – Additional duties

In addition to the duties provided in this chapter, the clerk shall perform such other duties and functions as may be required by statute or ordinance.

(Prior code : § 4.010)

2.06.140 – Deputy clerk - Appointment - Powers and duties

- A. There is created the office of deputy clerk. The city clerk is authorized to appoint a deputy clerk, by and with the advice and consent of the city council, who shall have the power and duty to execute all documents required by any law or ordinance to be executed by the clerk, and affix the seal of the city thereto whenever required.
- B. When signing any document, the deputy clerk shall sign the name of the city clerk followed by the word "by" and the deputy clerk's own name and the word "Deputy Clerk."
- C. The powers and duties described in this section shall be exercised by such deputy clerk only in the absence of the city clerk from his office in the city hall, and only when either written consent has been given by the city clerk to exercise such power, or the city council has determined by resolution that the city clerk is temporarily or permanently incapacitated to perform such function.
- D. Such deputy clerk shall have the authority and power described in this section, and such further power and authority as may be provided by statute.
- E. In the event of the temporary or permanent incapacity of both the City Clerk and Deputy Clerk, the staff officer designated as acting City Administrator shall have that authority and power described in this section and such further power and authority as may be provided by statute.

(2004-M-70 : § 1; Prior code : § 4.012)

2.06.145 – City Clerk - Salary

The city clerk that is elected in the general municipal election on April 3, 2001, after taking office on May 6, 2001, shall be paid a salary of Four Thousand Five Hundred and no/100ths (\$4,500.00) Dollars per year for attendance at City Council meetings and the performance of other duties prescribed by statute and ordinance.

(2000-M-90 : § 1; 1996-M-68 : § 3; 1989-M-8 : § 1; 1987-M-27 : § 1; 2016-M-1 : § 2)

2.08 – City Treasurer

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- 2.08.080 – Register of warrants
- 2.08.090 – City Treasurer - Salary

2.08.010 – Election - Term of office

The city treasurer shall be elected and serve for a four-year term and until his successor is qualified, as is provided by statute. The term of the city treasurer shall commence after the conclusion of old business, if any, at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of May following the general election in which he is elected.

(1983-M-53 : § 1(d); Prior code : § 5.001)

2.08.020 – Bond required

The city treasurer shall give bond in such sum as may be required by the city council, but the bond shall be an amount of money that is not less than three times the latest federal census population, or any subsequent census figure used for motor fuel tax purposes, with sureties to be approved by the council. The bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance by the city treasurer of the duties of his office, and to indemnify the city for any loss due to any neglect of duty or wrongful act on the part of the city treasurer.

(1978-M-24 ; Prior code : § 5.002)

2.08.030 – Duties generally

The city treasurer shall perform such duties as may be prescribed for him by statute or ordinance. He shall receive all money paid into the city, either directly from the person paying it or from the hands of such other officer or employee as may receive it, and he shall pay out money only on vouchers or orders properly signed by the city clerk and the mayor.

(Prior code : § 5.003)

2.08.040 – Deposit of funds

The city treasurer shall deposit the city funds in such depositories as may be selected from time to time as is provided by statute, and he shall keep the city money separate and distinct from his own and shall not intermingle his own money with it or make private or personal use of city funds.

(Prior code : § 5.004)

2.08.050 – Recordkeeping

The city treasurer shall keep records showing all money received by him, the source from which it was received, and the purpose for which it was paid out; and he shall keep a record showing at all times the financial status of the city.

(Prior code : § 5.005)

2.08.060 – Account keeping

The city treasurer shall keep such books and accounts as may be required by the city council, and shall keep them in the manner required by the council.

(Prior code : § 5.006)

2.08.070 – Reports required

The city treasurer shall make monthly reports to the city council showing the state of the finances of the city, and the amounts received and spent during the month, which reports shall be filed; and he shall make an annual report at the close of the fiscal year with the total amount of all receipts and expenditures of the city and his transactions as treasurer during the preceding year.

(Prior code : § 5.007)

2.08.080 – Register of warrants

The city treasurer shall keep a register of all warrants, bonds or orders filed with him or paid by him, and all vouchers, as is required by statute.

(Prior code : § 5.008)

2.08.090 – City Treasurer - Salary

The city treasurer that is elected in the general municipal election on April 3, 2001, and takes office on or after May 6, 2001, shall be paid a salary of One Thousand Eight Hundred and no/100ths (\$1,800.00) Dollars per year for attendance at City Council meetings and the performance of other duties prescribed by statute and ordinance.

(2016-M-1 : § 3; 2000-M-89 : § 1; 1999-M-92 : § 1)

2.10 – Appointive Officers

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2.10.010 – City Attorney - Appointment

The city attorney shall be appointed annually by the mayor with the advice and consent of the city council.
(1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.101)

2.10.020 – City Attorney - Compensation

The city attorney shall be paid a retainer, as prescribed from time to time by the mayor and city council for routine services and legal advice to the city and shall be paid a reasonable fee for all other legal services performed by him for the city at the request of the mayor and council.
(1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.102)

2.10.030 – City Attorney - Appointment of additional legal counsel

The mayor and the city council with the advice of the city attorney may for specific legal actions appoint additional legal counsel with the duties and compensation specified in the appointment.
(1977-M-24 : § 6.103)

2.10.040 – City Attorney - Legal proceedings

The city attorney shall prosecute, enforce and defend all legal proceedings to which the city or any of its officials or employees may be a party in their official or employment capacity.
(1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.104)

2.10.050 – City Attorney - Legal documents

The city attorney shall draft or supervise the drafting of any legal document to which the city is a signatory.
(1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.105)

2.10.060 – City Attorney - Scope of service

Within two weeks after appointment, the city attorney shall file in the office of the mayor a statement outlining the scope of service for which he is paid a retainer, and a general schedule of charges for services outside that scope.

(1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.106)

2.10.070 – Staff Officers - Positions designated

The staff of the city may comprise:

- A. City Administrator
- B. Director of Public Works
- C. Director of Finance (insurance services/comptroller/budget officer)
- D. Director of Human Resources
- E. Director of Information Systems
- F. Director of Community and Economic Development

(2016-M-1 : § 4; 2013-M-78 : § 1; 2007-M-31 : § 1; 1997-M-108 : § 1; 1997-M-67 : § 1; 1997-M-27 : § 1; 1986-M-63 : § 1; 1984-M-13 : § 1; 1983-M-7 : § 1 (part); 1982-M-35 : § 1 (part); 1979-M-32 : § 1 (part); 1978-M-2 : § 1 (a); 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.201)

2.10.080 – Staff Officers - Appointment

The staff officers shall be recommended for appointment by the City Administrator and appointed annually by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council.

(2008-M-5 : § 1; 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.401)

2.10.090 – Staff Officers - Ex officio duties

In the absence of a staff member due to illness, vacation, death, emergency, or otherwise, the City Administrator may appoint a temporary staff member during such absence for a period not to exceed 12 months.

(2008-M-5 : § 1; 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.401)

2.10.100 – Staff Officers - Bonds

Staff members shall be bonded from time to time as prescribed by the city council.

(1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.402)

2.10.110 – Staff Officers - Reassignment of duties

Wherever state or federal statute, rule or regulation, ordinance of the city, agreement of the city, or recorded or unrecorded document of any sort prescribes duties or action to be taken by a specific titled officer which title does not appear in this chapter, the duties or action so described shall devolve upon the officer whose duties shall most nearly be commensurate therewith. In case of disagreement, the City Administrator shall decide and make an assignment accordingly.

(2008-M-5 : § 1; 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.403)

2.10.120 – Staff Officers - Duties and responsibilities generally

- A. The duties and responsibilities of the staff officers are as set forth in this chapter and as from time to time established by the City Administrator.
- B. There shall be maintained in the Human Resources Department a job description generally setting forth job responsibilities and qualifications required for appointment to staff officers.

(2008-M-5 : § 1; 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : Ch. 6 Art. III (part))

2.10.125 – City Administrator - Responsibilities

The position of City Administrator is hereby created. The City Administrator shall be chosen on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications with special reference to actual experience in, and knowledge of, accepted practices with respect to the duties of his or her employment as set forth herein and in the job description as established from time to time by the Mayor and City Council. At the time of such appointment, the City Administrator need not be a resident of the city, but shall reside within the city limits within twelve (12) months of appointment.

The City Administrator shall be the chief administrative officer of the city. Nothing set forth in this section shall give the City Administrator powers not permitted by professional ethics and standards. He or she shall be responsible to the Mayor and city council for the proper administration of the affairs of the city, and shall have the following powers:

- A. To enforce the ordinances of the city.
- B. Supervise and coordinate the work of all departments of the city.
- C. Recommend appointment, discipline and removal of staff officers of the city who are appointed by the Mayor pursuant to city ordinances, and, as to removal or suspension, when such removal or suspension will be consistent with the best interests of the city.
- D. Supervise and assist the appointed staff officers of the city. All appointed staff officers shall perform their duties subject to the direction of the City Administrator, except as otherwise provided or required by statute or city ordinance.
- E. Supervise and assist all staff officers of the city in the performance of their respective duties. All staff officers and employees of the city shall furnish and disclose to the City Administrator such oral or written information and material relating to the affairs of the city as he or she shall request.
- F. Attend all meetings of the city council unless excused by the city council. The City Administrator shall have the right to take part in the discussion of all matters coming before the city council and shall make recommendations on all matters under his or her purview, but shall have no right to vote. The City Administrator shall be entitled to notice of all regular and special meetings of the city council.
- G. Investigate all complaints in relation to matters concerning the administration, operation and activities of the government of the city and services maintained by the public utilities in the city and see that all franchises, permits and privileges granted by the city are faithfully observed.
- H. Provide or cause to be provided administrative support to all city boards and commissions and make recommendations to the city council and boards and commissions relating to matters of public health, safety or welfare, economic development or general public improvements. Said duties shall not supersede any authorities vested with the city council, boards or commissions under the state or city ordinance.
- I. Recommend to the Mayor and city council from time to time, the adoption of such measures as he or she may deem necessary or expedient for the health, safety or welfare of the community and for the improvement of administrative services.
- J. Oversee the purchase of all materials, supplies, equipment and services for which funds are provided in the budget according to the directives and mandates of State law and city ordinances.
- K. Oversee the determination of the salaries, wages, and hours and conditions of employment of all employees, subject to the approval of Mayor and city council.
- L. Hire, suspend, or remove all employees of the city, except those appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council and except those positions covered by state law, or by agreement such as collective bargaining agreements. His/her authority to hire, suspend, or remove all city employees shall take precedence over any conflicting ordinances; provided, however, the procedural steps specified in the conflicting ordinance for suspension or removal shall be followed. The City Administrator may authorize the head of a department or office to hire, suspend or remove an employee or employees in such department or office, in accordance with city personnel policies and procedures. (Ord. 2008-M-5 § 2.)
- M. Oversee the maintenance of current inventory of all real and personal property of the city and the location of

such property. He/She shall be responsible for the care and custody of all city property which is not by state law or city ordinance assigned to some other officer or body for care and control.

- N. Prepare, or cause to be prepared, a budget report as required by the Illinois Compiled Statutes indicating the funds necessary to defray the estimated expenses of the city for the fiscal year. Prepare, or cause to be prepared, the annual budget in time for consideration and enactment by the city council as required by State law, and prepare, or cause to be prepared, the annual tax levy.
- O. Act as business manager for the city under the direction of the Mayor and city council and in cooperation with the Budget Officer, Director of Finance, City Collector, City Treasurer, and City Clerk. He or she shall control and direct all expenditures made by the city. He or she shall before the same is presented to the council for approval, certify as to the correctness of all bills and accounts, and shall have supervision, over the accounting and finance work of the city, and shall keep or cause to be kept, full and complete books of account showing the exact condition of the financial affairs of the city, and shall supervise the keeping of all necessary records to accomplish this to the extent that such supervision is not vested in the Budget Officer, Director of Finance, City Collector, City Treasurer or City Clerk by state statute.
- P. The representation of the city in any community or intergovernmental functions as may be directed by the Mayor.
- Q. Devote full time to the discharge of his/her official duties and not engage in any other employment without the written consent of the Mayor and city council.
- R. Perform other duties as may be required by resolution, ordinance or direction of the Mayor and/or city council.

(2006-M-24 : § 1; 1999-M-27 : § 1; 1999-M-27 : § 2)

2.10.130 – Director of Public Works - Responsibilities

The director of public works has the responsibility for the planning, management and operation of all city public works facilities and related facilities including the water, wastewater treatment, laboratory, sewers, electrical transmission and distribution, streets, facilities, trees and vehicles. The director of public works is also responsible for providing management direction to all city engineering projects.

(2008-M-5 : § 3; 1997-M-88 : § 1; 1986-M-63 : § 2; 1983-M-7 : § 1 (part); 1979-M-32 : § 1 (part); 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); 1985-M-59 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.301)

2.10.170 – Director of Finance - Responsibilities

The director of finance is responsible for all aspects of administration, financial planning, directing and supervising of the accounting, finance, audits, investments, liability/property/health/life insurance, utility and miscellaneous billing and collection, and purchasing and inventory control. The person in this position shall also serve as the budget officer.

(1997-M-88 : § 4; 1983-M-7 : § 1 (part); 1979-M-32 : § 1 (part); 1977-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.301-3)

2.10.185 – Director of Human Resources - Responsibilities

The director of human resources shall be responsible for planning, directing, coordinating and supervising the activities of human resources programs and services which will attract and retain qualified employees and assure the most effective utilization of their time.

(1997-M-88 : § 6)

2.10.195 – Director of Information Systems - Responsibilities

The director of information systems is responsible for planning, coordinating and supervising the activities of the information systems group, which includes recommending computer hardware and software acquisitions, directing programming activities, developing computer systems specifications and managing records management activities.

(1997-M-88 : § 6)

2.10.220 – Director of Community and Economic Development - Responsibilities

The Director of Community and Economic Development shall conduct research and propose plans, policies and ordinances relative to the city's growth, development, and housing supply; administer the zoning and subdivision ordinances, building codes, and property maintenance codes in cooperation with other city departments, promote business retention, growth and expansion, and maintain data pertaining to economic development, population demographics, and projected growth. The Director of Community and Economic Development shall also assist the Director of Public Works in planning for transportation, utilities, and other infrastructure.

(2013-M-78 : § 2; 2007-M-31 : § 2; 1997-M-88 : § 11; 1983-M-7 : § 1 (part); 1979-M-32 : § 1 (part); 1979-M-24 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 6.303-1)

2.10.225 – Director of Economic Development - Responsibilities

Deleted in its entirety.

(2013-M-78 : § 2; 2009-M-65 : § 1; 2007-M-31 : § 3; 1997-M-88 : § 12; 1997-M-67 : § 2)

2.12 – Officers and Employees

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- 2.12.350 – Enforcing officer

2.12.010 – Applicability

The provisions of this chapter shall apply alike to all officers and employees of the City, regardless of the time of the creation of the office or position or the time of the appointment of the officer or employee.

(Prior code : 10.101)

2.12.020 – Appointments

All officers other than elective officers shall be recommended for appointment by the City Administrator and appointed annually by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council; provided that all employees shall, in the absence of any provision to the contrary, be approved by the City Administrator.

(2008-M-42 : § 1; 2008-M-5 : § 5; Prior code : 10.102)

2.12.030 – Terms of office - Vacancy filling

Every appointive officer of the City shall hold office until the first day of May following his or her appointment, except for the following:

- A. If the City Administrator determines that the appointive officer is not satisfactorily fulfilling the duties of the position, the City Administrator, with approval of the Mayor and City Council, may terminate the appointive officer at any time during the year of appointment.
- B. If the appointive officer demonstrates behavior that would be cause for immediate dismissal, the City Administrator, with the approval of the Mayor and City Council, may terminate the appointive officer immediately.

If an appointive officer is terminated prior to the end of his or her term, the Mayor, upon the receipt of a recommendation from the City Administrator, and advice and consent of the City Council, may appoint a new officer prior to May 1. In case of a vacancy in any such place, it shall be filled in the same manner in which appointments or selections are made, in the absence of provision to the contrary.

(2008-M-42 : § 2; 2008-M-5 : § 5; Prior code : 10.103)

2.12.031 – City Administrator - Term of office

The term of the office of the City Administrator shall not be longer than the term of the Mayor appointing him or her. The City Administrator may be removed by the Mayor whenever he or she is of the opinion that the interests of the city demand removal, provided, however, the Mayor shall report the reasons for the removal to the City Council at a meeting to be held not less than five (5) nor more than fourteen (14) days after the removal. If the Mayor fails or refuses to report to the city council the reasons for the removal, or if the city council by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all its members authorized by law to be elected, disapproves of the removal by the Mayor, the City Administrator thereupon shall be restored to the office from which he was removed. The City Administrator may at any time be removed from office without the concurrence of the Mayor by a two-thirds majority of the aldermen authorized by law to be elected unless the City Administrator holds a statutory municipal office wherein he or she serves at the pleasure of the Mayor.

An agreement shall define and explain conditions but may not override, modify, circumvent or subvert or otherwise limit the prerogatives of the Mayor and city council as otherwise set forth in any portion of the St. Charles Municipal Code. Any appointment of an individual to the position of City Administrator is dependent upon the individual's acceptance of the terms of an employment agreement. The term of office of the City Administrator shall not be shorter than one year, unless appointed during the last year of a Mayor's term, nor longer than the term of the Mayor appointing him or her.

(1997-M-27 : § 3)

2.12.035 – Removal from office

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-63 : § 1; 2008-M-5 : § 6; 1982-M-31 : § 1)

2.12.040 – Filling vacancy

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-63 : § 1; 2008-M-5 : § 6; Prior code : § 10.105)

2.12.045 – Appointment of employees

Deleted in its entirety.

(2016-M-1 : § 5; 2008-M-5 : § 7)

2.12.050 – Bond

Every officer or employee shall, if required by the mayor and council, upon entering upon the duties of his office, give a bond in such amount and with such sureties as may be determined by the mayor and council, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of his office or position.

(Prior code : § 10.109)

2.12.060 – Salary

All officers and employees of the city shall receive such salary as may from time to time be provided by ordinance, resolution, policy and/or collective bargaining agreement.

(2008-M-5 : § 8; Prior code : § 10.106)

2.12.070 – Assignment of duties by Mayor

The mayor shall have the power to assign to any appointive officer any duty which is not assigned by ordinance to some other specific officer, and shall determine disputes or questions relating to the respective powers or duties of officers.

(Prior code : § 10.107)

2.12.080 – Moneys received

Every officer of the city shall at least once each month turn over all money received by him in his official capability to the treasurer, with a statement showing the source from which the same was received.

(Prior code : § 10.104)

2.12.090 – Records

All records kept by any officer of the city in an official capacity shall be open to inspection by the mayor or any member of the city council at all reasonable times, whether or not such records are required to be kept by statute or ordinance.

(1978-M-28 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 10.108)

2.12.100 – Conservators of peace - Authority to make arrests

The mayor, members of the city council, Building Commissioner, as well as every member of the police department, are declared to be conservators of the peace with such powers to make arrests as are given to conservators of the peace by statute, except the Building Commissioner's authority is limited to those violations of ordinances of the city and criminal laws of the state or Illinois relating to zoning, building and plumbing is limited to those violations of ordinances of the city under Title 8, "Health and Safety" of the St. Charles Municipal Code.

(1984-M-13 : § 3; Prior code : § 10.110; 2016-M-1 : § 5)

2.12.110 – Termination of office - Delivery of city property to successor

Every officer and employee of the city, upon the expiration of his term for any cause whatsoever, shall deliver to his successor all books and records which may be the property of the city, and if no successor has been appointed within one week after the termination of office such property shall be delivered to the city clerk or city treasurer.

(Prior code : § 10.111)

2.12.180 – Impersonation of officers prohibited

It is unlawful for any person to impersonate without lawful authority any city officer or employee. Any person violating this section shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than five hundred dollars for each offense.

(Prior code : § 10.113)

2.12.190 – Interference with officers prohibited

It is unlawful to interfere with or hinder any officer or employee of the city while engaged in the duties of his office or employment. Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this section shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than five hundred dollars for each offense.

(Prior code : § 10.114)

2.12.200 – Inspections authorized

- A. Any officer or employee of the city who is authorized to enforce ordinances may make such inspections as may be necessary to see to the enforcement of such ordinances.
- B. Whenever such officer or employee has reason to believe that there exists on or in any premises in the city any nuisance dangerous to public health, any fire hazard, any structural defect likely to result in injury to person or property, or any electric wiring or equipment in such condition as to present a fire hazard or danger to persons, he shall ask permission of the occupant of such premises, or the owner or custodian thereof, if the premises are unoccupied, to inspect the same.

(1978-M-28 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 10.115)

2.12.300 – Special layoff/separation benefit (SLSB)

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 3)

2.12.310 – Eligibility for benefit

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 4)

2.12.320 – Circumstances of layoff/separation

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 5)

2.12.330 – Payment of SLSB

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 6)

2.12.340 – Relationship to other benefits and rights

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 7)

2.12.350 – Enforcing officer

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 8)

2.14 – Boards and Commissions

Sections

2.14.010 – Applicability

2.14.020 – Removal/Vacancy

2.14.010 – Applicability

This Chapter shall be applicable to all Boards and Commissions provided for in this Title, where Board members or Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor, except to the extent otherwise preempted by law.

(2012-M-46 : § 1)

2.14.020 – Removal/Vacancy

Any member of a Board or Commission may be removed by the Mayor for absenteeism, neglect of duty, misconduct or malfeasance in office, after being given a written statement of the charges and an opportunity to respond within 30 days and be heard thereon. Any Board member or Commissioner who is absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the board or commission shall be deemed to have resigned from the Board or Commission, and a vacancy may be declared to exist by the Mayor.

(2012-M-46 : § 1)

2.16 – Board of Local Improvements (repealed in its entirety)

Sections

2.16.010 – Created - Membership (Repealed)

2.16.020 – Duties (Repealed)

2.16.010 – Created - Membership (Repealed)

(1982-M-38 : § 1)

2.16.020 – Duties (Repealed)

(1979-M-40 : § 1 (part); 1977-M-20 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.1102)

2.18 – Board of Zoning Appeals

Sections

- 2.18.010 – Created - Composition - Terms
- 2.18.020 – Members - Appointment - Removal - Vacancy filling
- 2.18.030 – Meetings
- 2.18.040 – Vote required to reverse decisions
- 2.18.050 – Authority to publish zoning notices
- 2.18.060 – Jurisdiction and authority

2.18.010 – Created - Composition - Terms

There is established a zoning board of appeals for the city; said board shall consist of seven members to serve respectively for the following terms: one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, one for five years, one for six years, and one for seven years. The successor to each member so appointed shall serve for a term of five years.

(Prior code : § 9.301(a))

2.18.020 – Members - Appointment - Removal - Vacancy filling

All appointments to the zoning board of appeals shall be made by the city council. One of the members so appointed shall be named as chairman at the time of his appointment. The city council shall have the power to remove any member of the zoning board of appeals for cause after public hearing. Vacancies shall be filled by the city council as soon as possible for the unexpired term of any member whose place has become vacant. In the event that the office of chairman is vacated for any reasons, the city council shall immediately appoint, at its option, either one of the remaining members on the board, or any member who is appointed to fill such vacancy on the board as the new chairman.

(Prior code : § 9.301(b))

2.18.030 – Meetings

All meetings of the zoning board of appeals shall be held at the call of the chairman, and at such other times as the board may determine. All testimony by witnesses at any hearing provided for in this zoning ordinance shall be given under oath. The chairman, or in his absence the acting chairman, may administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses. All meetings of the board shall be open to the public. The board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon every question, or if absent or failing to vote, indicating that fact, and shall also keep records of its examinations and other official actions. Every rule, regulation, every amendment or repeal thereof, and every order, requirement, decision or determination of the board shall immediately be filed in the office of the city clerk and shall be of public record.

(Prior code : § 9.301(c))

2.18.040 – Vote required to reverse decisions

The concurring vote of four members of the zoning board of appeals shall be necessary to reverse any order, requirement, decision, or determination of the building commissioner, or to decide in favor of the applicant on any matter upon which it is authorized by this code to render a decision. The zoning board of appeals shall make no recommendations except in a specific case and after public hearing.

(Prior code : § 9.301(d))

2.18.050 – Authority to publish zoning notices

The zoning board of appeals is designated as the proper commission or committee to post or publish notices as required by statute and this code pertaining to special uses and proposed amendments to the regulations imposed and the districts created by the zoning ordinance of the city, and to make a written report and recommendation to the city council on any such proposed amendments or special uses.

(Prior code : § 9.301(e))

2.18.060 – Jurisdiction and authority

The zoning board of appeals is invested with the following jurisdiction and authority:

- A. To hear and decide appeals from any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by the building commissioner under this code;
- B. To hear and decide variations from the terms provided in this code in the manner and subject to the standards set forth in this section;
- C. To hold public hearings in matters pertaining to applications for special uses and amendments, and submit reports to the city council setting forth its findings and recommendations in the manner prescribed in this section for special uses and amendments; and
- D. To hear and decide all matters referred to it or upon which it is required to pass under this code.

(Prior code : § 9.302)

2.19 – Building Review Board

Sections

- 2.19.010 – Establishment and purpose
- 2.19.020 – Powers and duties
- 2.19.030 – Membership - Qualifications
- 2.19.040 – Membership - Terms of office
- 2.19.050 – Compensation and ethics
- 2.19.060 – Officers
- 2.19.070 – Conduct of meetings and hearings
- 2.19.080 – Application for appeals or variations
- 2.19.090 – Procedures for appeals or variations

2.19.010 – Establishment and purpose

There is hereby established a Building Review Board (“Board”) for the City of St. Charles. The purpose of the Board shall be to facilitate the interpretation and administration of City ordinances governing electric, plumbing, building, fire/life safety and similar regulations of the City (“Building Regulations”) and otherwise provide technical guidance to the City Council on matters relating to the same.

(2008-M-91)

2.19.020 – Powers and duties

The Board shall have, exercise and perform the following powers, duties and functions:

- A. Receive, process, investigate, hold hearings on, make findings of fact and approve or deny, as hereinafter set forth, appeals (“Appeals”) or variations (“Variations”) from the requirements of Building Regulations.
- B. Upon the request of the City Council or Building or Fire Officials, review Building Regulations and make recommendations to the City Council as to the Amendment thereof.
- C. Render a written annual report to the City Council of its activities, and its recommendations, if any, with respect to the enforcement or amendment of any Building Regulation; and to render such reports and recommendations as the City Council may request.
- D. Keep a separate file of every Appeal or Variation requested, and keep an accurate record of all its proceedings.
- E. Exercise and perform such other and further powers, duties and functions as may be required by City Ordinance.

2.19.030 – Membership - Qualifications

There shall be five (5) members of the Board, appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council, who shall be:

- A. A registered engineer or architect experienced in building construction.
- B. A person experienced in the construction contracting industry.
- C. A person experienced in fire suppression.
- D. A person with training and/or experience in electrical construction.
- E. A person with training and/or experience in plumbing construction.

2.19.040 – Membership - Terms of office

- A. Except as provided for herein, Members shall be appointed to a term of three (3) years. Of the first five (5) Members of the Board, two (2) Members shall serve from their date of appointment through April 30, 2010, and three (3) Members shall serve from their dates of appointment through April 30, 2011.
- B. All future terms shall expire on April 30 of the last year of their respective terms. Members whose terms have expired shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed, except if a Member is removed for cause. A Member who no longer meets the requirements of membership shall no longer remain eligible to serve on the Board and said membership shall be considered vacant. The Mayor, with the advice and consent of the City Council, may fill vacancies in an unexpired term.

2.19.050 – Compensation and ethics

- A. No person shall receive compensation for serving as a Member.
- B. All Members shall comply with the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, (5 ILCS 430/1-1 et seq.), as adopted by the City.

2.19.060 – Officers

The Board shall elect a chairman and such other officers as it may deem necessary at the first regular meeting in May of each year, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable. In the event of an officer's resignation from that office or from the Board, the Board shall elect a replacement officer as soon as is possible.

2.19.070 – Conduct of meetings and hearings

- A. Meetings of the Board shall be held at the call of the chairman, and at such other times as the Board may determine.
- B. The Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each Member upon every question, or if absent or failing to vote, indicating that fact, and shall also keep records of all documents submitted to, or relied upon by the Board.
- C. Testimony presented at any hearing provided for herein shall be given under oath. The chairman, or in the chairman's absence, the acting chairman, may administer said oath.
- D. A majority of the Members then holding office shall constitute a quorum. Final action shall be taken upon measures before the Board with a concurrence of a majority of the Members present, provided a quorum is present.
- E. All meetings of the Board shall be open to the public.
- F. The Board shall provide for such other and further rules governing the conduct of its meetings as the Board deems necessary and appropriate.

2.19.080 – Application for appeals or variations

- A. Any person aggrieved by any administrative action, such as an interpretation or other decision (“Decision”) made by a City officer, employee, or department, pertaining to Building Regulations, may Appeal the same by filing an Application. All such Application shall be filed within thirty (30) days of said Decision. Incomplete Applications or Applications filed after said thirty (30) days shall not be considered by the Board.
- B. Any person seeking a Variation from the requirements of the Building Regulations shall also make Application to the Board.
- C. All Applications shall be filed with the Building & Code Enforcement Division Office on a form provided by the same, which form shall require the following information: The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant.
 - 1. A short, concise statement of the Decision appealed or Variation requested together with the applicant’s basis for the relief requested.
 - 2. A short, concise statement of the circumstances relevant to the Appeal or Variation, including the location of the relevant site.
 - 3. A copy of the Building Regulations relevant to the Appeal or Variation.
 - 4. A two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) administrative fee.
- D. Within fifteen (15) business days after the date of filing of an Application, the City shall determine if any additional legal, technical and staff expenses may be incurred by the City in the course of its consideration and obtain from the applicant a guarantee in a form acceptable to the City.
- E. Applications that fail to conform with the requirements of paragraphs (C) and (D) herein shall be deemed incomplete and shall not be considered by the Board.
- F. Upon the City Clerk’s determination that an Application comports with the requirements of this Chapter 2.19, the Clerk shall forward the same to the Board for consideration.

2.19.090 – Procedures for appeals or variations

- A. The Board shall meet and conduct a hearing on the Application no later than forty-five (45) days from the filing thereof, which may be continued from time to time. At said hearing, the applicant, officers, and employees of the City and any other interested person may present relevant evidence or argument pertaining to the relief requested.
- B. At the conclusion of hearings pertaining to Appeals, the Board shall sustain, modify, or overrule the Decision. The Board shall modify or overrule a Decision only if it finds that the Decision was in error or otherwise contrary to the requirements of the Building Regulations in the following respect(s):
 - 1. The Building Regulations have been incorrectly applied or interpreted.
 - 2. The unique circumstances of the particular situation clearly warrant a different application or interpretation of the Building Regulations.
 - 3. The applicant has proposed a better standard or method that comports with the intent of the Building Regulations, and offers greater protection of the public health, safety, and welfare.

If the Board finds that the Decision is in full compliance with the Building Regulations, it shall sustain the Decision and deny the Appeal even if it finds such Building Regulation is undesirable. In that event, the Board may recommend to the City Council that the Building Regulations be amended, but it shall not modify or sustain an Appeal as an alternative to such amendment.

- C. At the conclusion of hearings pertaining to Variations, the Board shall grant or deny the Variation, and issue a written report of its findings of fact.

(2008-M-91 : § 2)

2.20 – Board of Trustees of the Firemen's Pension Fund of the City of St. Charles

Sections

2.20.010 – Created - Composition - Election of members

2.20.020 – Duties

2.20.010 – Created - Composition - Election of members

There shall be a board of trustees of the firemen's pension fund which shall consist of five members: two members shall be appointed by the mayor, two members shall be active participants of the pension fund who are elected from the active participants of the fund, and one member shall be a retired participant who is elected from retired participants, as provided by statute (40 ILCS 5/4-121). The members of the board selected from the active and retired firemen shall be elected at the time and in the manner provided by statute.

(2006-M-16 : § 2; § 3; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.701)

2.20.020 – Duties

The board of trustees of the firemen's pension fund shall have control of the management of all funds belonging to or designated by law as part of the firemen's pension fund or the administration of such funds, as provided by statute (40 ILCS 5/4-122 et seq.).

(§ 4; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.702)

2.22 – Board of Trustees of the Police Pension Fund of the City of St. Charles

Sections

2.22.010 – Created - Composition - Members' appointment and election

2.22.020 – Duties

2.22.030 – Funds

2.22.010 – Created - Composition - Members' appointment and election

There shall be a board of trustees of the police pension fund composed of five members. Of these members, two shall be appointed by the mayor, two shall be elected from the regular police force of the city by the active members thereof, and one shall be elected by and from the beneficiaries of the fund. Each member shall serve for two years, and elected members shall be selected in the manner provided by law (40 ILCS 5/3-128).

(1996-M-53 : § 5; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.1001)

2.22.020 – Duties

It shall be the duty of the members of the board of trustees of the police pension fund to manage, invest and control the police pension fund and all monies pertaining thereto in the manner provided by statute and to pay beneficiaries as provided by statute (40 ILCS 5/3-131 et seq.).

(1996-M-53 : § 6; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.1002)

2.22.030 – Funds

There shall be deposited in the police pension fund the amounts provided for by statute.

(1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.1003)

2.24 – Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Sections

- 2.24.010 – Created - Composition
- 2.24.020 – Members - Appointment - Terms
- 2.24.030 – Members - Qualifications - Oath - Bond - Removal
- 2.24.040 – Powers and duties
- 2.24.050 – Compensation of secretary and members
- 2.24.060 – Rules and Regulations

2.24.010 – Created - Composition

There is hereby created a Board of Fire and Police Commissioners consisting of five (5) members. They shall be officers of the municipality, as provided by statute.

(2014-M-1 : § 2; 2012-M-8 : § 1; 2007-M-114 : § 2; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.601)

2.24.020 – Members - Appointment - Terms

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall be appointed by the Mayor of the City by and with the consent of the City Council. Each member of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall serve for a term of three (3) years beginning on the date of appointment thereof and until their respective successors shall be appointed and qualified. The terms of office shall be staggered so that all members shall not be up for re-appointment at the same time. No such appointments shall be made by the Mayor within thirty (30) days before the expiration of his term of office.

(2014-M-1 : § 4; 2007-M-114 : § 3; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.602)

2.24.030 – Members - Qualifications - Oath - Bond - Removal

The members of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall have such qualifications as are now or may hereafter be required of them by law, except that no person be disqualified from serving as a Commissioner because of his or hers political affiliations. Pursuant to the City's home rule authority, this section shall supersede Section 10-2.1-3 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

Each member of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall take oath or affirmation of office, and shall execute and deliver to the City a bond in the sum of One Thousand Dollars, with such sureties as the Mayor and City Council shall approve, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his or her office. The members of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall be subject to removal from office in the same manner as other officers of the City.

(1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.603; 2017-M-24 : § 1)

2.24.040 – Powers and duties

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall have such powers and duties as are now or as may be hereafter given to it by law pursuant to the Municipal Code 65 ILCS 5/ 1 1 1 et seq It shall be the duty of the Board to make appointments to Police and Fire Departments of the City where applicable, and said Board shall conduct and hold all entrance and promotional examinations and exercise such other powers and duties as provided by law, and Section 2 24 060, Rules and Regulations shall be added to read as follows:

Section 2.24.060- Rules and Regulations

The Board shall publish a set of rules to be known as the Rules and Regulations of the St Charles, Illinois Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Said rules are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Chapter and Ordinance by reference.

(2015-M-10 : § 1; 2003-M-8 : § 1; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.604)


2.24.050 – Compensation of secretary and members

All members of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners shall serve without pay.
(1991-M-46 : § 1; 1978-M-27 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 9.605)

2.24.060 – Rules and Regulations

The Board shall publish a set of rules to be known as the Rules and Regulations of the St. Charles, Illinois Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. Said rules are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Chapter and Ordinance by reference.

Exhibits:

 Rules and Regulations BFPC - effective 20170807.pdf
(2015-M-34 : § 1; 2015-M-10 : § 1)

2.25 – Housing Commission

Sections

- 2.25.010 – Establishment
- 2.25.020 – Purposes
- 2.25.030 – Members - Appointment
- 2.25.040 – Members - Terms of office
- 2.25.050 – Powers and duties
- 2.25.060 – Compensation and conflicts of interest
- 2.25.070 – Meetings
- 2.25.080 – Officers
- 2.25.090 – Voting/Quorum

2.25.010 – Establishment

There is hereby established a Housing Commission (“Commission”) comprising no more than nine (9) members who are residents of, own a property or business in, or work in the City of St. Charles (“City”), or who are representatives of the St. Charles Park District or Community Unit School District #303.

(2007-M-26 : § 1; 2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.25.020 – Purposes

The purposes of the Commission shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1. Advise the City Council on matters related to affordable housing policy;
2. Preserve and maintain the existing affordable housing stock;
3. Increase the availability of affordable housing for all members of the community, and
4. Promote public awareness of the need for affordable housing.

(2005-M-57 : § 1; 2017-M-32 : § 1)

2.25.030 – Members - Appointment

The Mayor, with the approval of the City Council shall appoint a City Council member and a Plan Commission member as ex-officio members of the Commission. The Mayor shall appoint five (5) members from the at-large community, who are either residents of the City, own a property or business in the City, or work in the City. In addition, the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council, shall also appoint one member representing the St. Charles Park District and one member representing Community Unit School District #303.

(2007-M-26 : § 2; 2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.25.040 – Members - Terms of office

Except for the members representing the St. Charles Park District and Community Unit School District #303, members shall be appointed to a term of three years. Of the first seven members of the Commission, three members shall serve from their dates of appointment through April 30, 2007; the second two shall serve from their dates of appointment through April 30, 2008; and the third two shall serve from their dates of appointment through April 30, 2009. The members representing the St. Charles Park District and Community Unit School District #303 shall be appointed to a term of one year.

All future terms shall expire on the April 30 of the last year of their respective terms. Members whose terms have expired shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed, except in the case of a member removed for cause. A member who no longer meets the requirements of membership shall no longer remain eligible to serve on the Commission, and said membership shall be considered vacant. The Mayor, with the advice and consent of the City Council, may fill vacancies in an unexpired term.

(2007-M-26 : § 3; 2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.25.050 – Powers and duties

The Commission may perform and exercise the following powers and duties:

1. Provide advice to the City Council for increasing, retaining and rehabilitating affordable housing stock within the City of St. Charles by evaluating, setting priorities, and recommending affordable housing programs and policies, examples of which include Housing Trust Fund, Community Land Trust, Inclusionary Housing Ordinance, density bonus, fee-in-lieu of provision, etc.;
2. Coordinate with other communities and governmental agencies in meeting the housing needs of low-income and moderate-income families in the a community;
3. Establish liaisons with other groups interested in affordable housing in the City and the surrounding area;
4. Work with builders and developers in implementing affordable housing programs;
5. Work with builders, developers and community stakeholders to promote public awareness of the need for affordable housing;
6. Develop programs that will assist in accessing new funding opportunities at the local, state and federal levels;
7. Identify possible revenue streams to create and preserve homes that are priced to meet the need of low- to moderate-income families; and
8. Create mechanisms for increasing public awareness and educating residents regarding the needs for affordable housing.

In pursuance of the foregoing duties, the Commission may perform the following:

1. Request and obtain such cooperation, assistance and data from City departments and other public agencies as may be reasonably necessary to carry out its work; and
2. With the approval of City Council, obtain consulting services as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the Housing Commission.

(2005-M-57 : § 1; 2017-M-32 : § 2)

2.25.060 – Compensation and conflicts of interest

No Commission member shall receive compensation for serving on the Commission. No Commission member shall be interested, either directly or indirectly, in the purchase or sale of services, supplies or as an employee except to the extent permitted under the statutes of the State of Illinois.

(2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.25.070 – Meetings

The Commission shall meet at least six times a year. The Commission members shall set the time and place for the meetings. Minutes shall be recorded for all meetings and filed with the City Clerk.

(2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.25.080 – Officers

The Commission shall elect a Chairman and such other Officers as it may determine, at the first regular meeting following May 1 of each year, except that initially the Chairman shall be elected by the Commission members at their first meeting. The Chairman shall remain the Chairman until the Commission elects a new Chairman. The Commission may also elect a Vice-Chairman to conduct the duties of the Chairman in his/her absence.

(2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.25.090 – Voting/Quorum

Each Commission member, including ex-officio members, shall have one vote and all votes shall be decided by a majority of a quorum. A quorum shall consist of five (5) or more members.

(2012-M-46 : § 4; 2005-M-57 : § 1)

2.26 – Youth Commission

Sections

- 2.26.010 – Composition
- 2.26.020 – Purpose
- 2.26.030 – Members - Appointment
- 2.26.040 – Members - Terms of office
- 2.26.050 – Members - Terms to begin when
- 2.26.060 – Duties
- 2.26.070 – Annual Report
- 2.26.080 – Secretarial help, supplies and initial fund
- 2.26.090 – Coordinating committee - Designated by mayor - Purpose

2.26.010 – Composition

The St. Charles community Youth Commission, from and after May 1, 1967, shall consist of ten (10) members.
(2012-M-46 : § 5; 1967-12 : § 1; 1965-7 : § 1)

2.26.020 – Purpose

The overall purpose of the Youth Commission shall be to encourage the continuing betterment of opportunities for the wholesome development of youth in the St. Charles community.
(2012-M-46 : § 5; 1965-7 : § 2)

2.26.030 – Members - Appointment

The ten (10) members of the Youth Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council commencing as of May 1, 1967. No more than three (3) of the commission members can reside outside the city limits. The chairman shall be elected by the commission from its own membership. The commission shall also elect as many officers as it may choose.
(2012-M-46 : § 5; 2004-M-16 : § 1; 1967-12 : § 3; 1965-7 : § 3)

2.26.040 – Members - Terms of office

The terms of the members of the commission shall be for one year after the term of any present commissioners may have expired.
(1967-12 : § 5; 1965-7 : § 5)

2.26.050 – Members - Terms to begin when

Members shall be appointed to a term of two (2) years; the terms of the appointments shall coincide with the fiscal year of the City beginning on May 1st of each year.
(2012-M-46 : § 5; 1965-7 : § 6)

2.26.060 – Duties

The St. Charles community Youth Commission shall:

- A. Assist in coordinating and integrating governmental and private plans and services affecting the welfare of children and youth in the city;
- B. Assist in coordinating and integrating plans and services for protecting children from exposure to harmful influences and conditions conducive to delinquency in youth;
- C. Make or cause to be made studies and surveys related to youth behavior or in the interest of youth guidances;
- D. Request and obtain such cooperating, assistance and data from city departments and other public agencies as may be reasonably necessary to carry out its work;
- E. Recommend plans and methods for the improvements of opportunities for the wholesome development of youth in the community of St. Charles;
- F. Create such subcommittees or advisory committees from outside of the membership of the commission to aid and assist in the work of the commission;
- G. Establish liaison with schools, churches, and other groups interested in youth in St. Charles and the surrounding area.

(1965-7 : § 7)

2.26.070 – Annual Report

On May 1st of each year, beginning on May 1, 1966, the Youth Commission shall cause to be prepared a report of its operations, studies, meetings, attendance of members during the preceding year, along with plans for future activities.

(1965-7 : § 8)

2.26.080 – Secretarial help, supplies and initial fund

The city shall furnish to the commission such secretarial help and supplies which are necessary to the conduct of the business of the commission in addition to an initial fund of one thousand dollars.

(1965-7 : § 9)

2.26.090 – Coordinating committee - Designated by mayor - Purpose

The mayor shall also designate a coordinating committee representing the city consisting of a representative of the police department, a representative of the city council, and the director of recreating and parks, and city attorney, such committee to meet with and coordinate the work of the Youth Commission with the city.

(1965-7 : § 4)

2.27 – Senior Services Commission

Sections

- 2.27.010 – Establishment
- 2.27.020 – Purpose
- 2.27.030 – Members - Appointment
- 2.27.040 – Members - Terms of office
- 2.27.050 – Duties
- 2.27.060 – Compensation and conflicts of interest
- 2.27.070 – Meetings
- 2.27.080 – Officer
- 2.27.090 – Voting/Quorum
- 2.27.100 – Inactive status - Suspension of commission activities - Reactivation

2.27.010 – Establishment

There is hereby established a Senior Services Commission comprising no more than nine members who are residents of the City.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.020 – Purpose

The overall purpose of the Senior Services Commission shall be to explore methods and opportunities where people can meet the economic, social, and physical challenges of aging.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.030 – Members - Appointment

The mayor, with the approval of the city council, shall appoint six members from the at-large community and five members from residential facilities dedicated to serving seniors. In addition, the mayor shall appoint a City Council member as an ex-official member of the commission.

(2000-M-105 : § 1; 2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.040 – Members - Terms of office

Members shall be appointed to a term of three years with three members being appointed each year; provided, however, of the first nine members of the commission, three members shall serve one year from the date of appointment through April 2002, three from the date of appointment through April 30, 2003, and three from the date of appointment through April 30, 2004. All future terms shall expire on the April 30 of the last year of their respective terms. Members whose terms have expired may continue to serve until a successor is appointed, except in the case of a member removed for cause. The Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council may fill vacancies in an unexpired term due to resignation.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.050 – Duties

The St. Charles community Senior Services Commission shall:

- A. Assist in coordinating and integrating governmental and private plans and services affecting the welfare of seniors in the City;
- B. Assist in coordinating and integrating plans and services for transportation, housing, social and physical challenges;
- C. Make or cause to be made studies and surveys related to senior needs;
- D. Request and obtain such cooperation, assistance and data from City departments and other public agencies as may be reasonably necessary to carry out its work;
- E. Recommend plans and methods for the improvements of opportunities for seniors;
- F. Create such subcommittees and advisory committees from outside of the membership of the commission to aid and assist in the work of the commission;
- G. Establish liaison with other groups interested in seniors in St. Charles and the surrounding area.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.060 – Compensation and conflicts of interest

No commissioner shall receive compensation for serving as a commissioner. No commissioner shall be interested, either directly or indirectly, in the purchase of sale of services, supplies or as an employee except to the extent permitted under the statutes of the State of Illinois.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.070 – Meetings

The Commission shall meet at least four times a year. The Commission members shall set the time and place for the meetings. Minutes shall be recorded for all meetings and filed with the City Clerk.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.080 – Officer

The only officer shall be the Chairman, who shall be elected by the Commission members at their first meeting. The Chairman shall remain the Chairman until the Commission elects a new Chairman; provided, however, a Chairman cannot serve more than four consecutive years.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.090 – Voting/Quorum

Each Commission shall have one vote and all votes shall be decided by a majority of a quorum. A quorum shall consist of five or more members.

(2000-M-81 : § 1)

2.27.100 – Inactive status - Suspension of commission activities - Reactivation

That the St. Charles Senior Services Commission is hereby placed on inactive status and the activities of said Commission are suspended.

The Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council may reactivate the St. Charles Senior Services Commission at which time it shall resume the performance of its duties as set forth in Section 2.27.050.

(2007-M-100 : § 1)

2.28 – Plan Commission

Sections

- 2.28.010 – Composition - Members appointment and residency
- 2.28.020 – Qualifications
- 2.28.030 – Terms
- 2.28.040 – Officers
- 2.28.050 – Meetings and quorum
- 2.28.060 – Powers

2.28.010 – Composition - Members appointment and residency

The Plan Commission of the City shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and advise and consent of the City Council. All members of the Plan Commission shall be residents of the City at the time of their appointment, and a member who moves outside the City shall no longer be eligible to serve on the Plan Commission. The Mayor shall appoint members residing on either side (east and west) of the Fox River, with a goal of providing a geographic balance of members on the Plan Commission.

(2017-M-15 ; 1998-M-36 : § 1; 1990-M-44 : § 1; 1977-M-23 : (part); 1976-M-35 : (part); 1973-M-3 : (part); 1969-M-6 ; Prior code : § 9.801)

2.28.020 – Qualifications

In making appointments to the Plan Commission, the Mayor may consider the following guidelines:

- A. Approximately half of the Commission should have education, job experience or significant volunteer experience in fields related to planning or land development, such as real estate, landscape architecture, community planning, civil engineering, etc.
- B. The remainder of the Commission membership should have a demonstrated interest in the future of the St. Charles community by participation in a community group or other activity related to the public interest.

(1998-M-36 : § 1)

2.28.030 – Terms

Plan Commission members shall each be appointed for a term of four years, and their terms shall be staggered so that each year the terms of two or three members will expire. However, the three year terms of members appointed prior to May 1998 shall continue until their expiration, and thereafter shall be converted to a four year cycle according to the following schedule:

Two 3-year terms expiring in 1999: Four year term expiring in 2003

One 3-year term expiring in 1999: Five year term expiring in 2004

Two 3-year terms expiring in 2000: Five-year term expiring in 2005

One 3-year term expiring in 2000: Four-year term expiring in 2004

The terms of all members shall expire on the first Monday in May in the last year of their respective terms, regardless of the actual date of their appointment. Members whose terms have expired may continue to serve until a successor is appointed, except in the case of a member removed for cause. Vacancies in an unexpired term due to resignation may be filled by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council.

(1998-M-36 : § 1)

2.28.040 – Officers

The Plan Commission shall elect a chairman and such other officers as it may determine, at the first regular meeting in May of each year, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable. In the event of an officer's resignation from that office or from the Commission, the Commission shall elect a replacement officer as soon as is practicable.

(2002-M-6 : § 1; 1998-M-36 : § 1)

2.28.050 – Meetings and quorum

The Plan Commission shall meet at such times as it may determine. Special meetings may be called by the Mayor, the chairman or by any two members of the Commission. A majority of the Plan Commission members then holding office shall constitute a quorum. Final action shall be taken upon measures before the Plan Commission with a concurrence of a majority of the members present, provided a quorum is present.

(1998-M-36 : § 1; 1977-M-23 : (part); 1976-M-35 : (part); 1973-M-3 : (part); Prior code : § 9.802; Prior code : § 9.803)

2.28.060 – Powers

The plan commission shall have the following powers:

- A. To prepare and recommend to the corporate authorities a comprehensive plan for the present and future development or redevelopment of the city. Such plan may be adopted in whole or in separate geographical or functional parts, each of which, when adopted, shall be the official Comprehensive Plan, or part thereof, of the City. This plan may include reasonable requirements with reference to streets, alleys, public grounds, and other improvements hereinafter specified. The Plan, as recommended by the Plan Commission and as thereafter adopted, may be made applicable, by the terms thereof, to land situated within the corporate limits and contiguous territory not more than one and one-half miles beyond the corporate limits and not included in any municipality. Such plan may be implemented by ordinances to implement the following provisions:
 1. Establishing reasonable standards of design for subdivisions and for re-subdivisions of unimproved land and of areas subject to redevelopment in respect to public improvements as herein defined,
 2. Establishing reasonable requirements governing the location, width, course, and surfacing of public streets and highways, alleys, ways for public service facilities, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, street lights, parks, playgrounds, school grounds, size of lots to be used for residential purposes, stormwater drainage, water supply and distribution, sanitary sewers, and sewage collection and treatment, and
 3. May designate land suitable for annexation to the municipality and the recommended zoning classification, for such land upon annexation;
- B. To recommend changes, from time to time, in the official Comprehensive Plan;
- C. To prepare and recommend to the corporate authorities, from time to time, plans for specific improvements in pursuance of the official Comprehensive Plan;
- D. To give aid to the municipal officials charged with the direction of projects for improvements embraced within the official Plan, to further the making of these projects, and, generally, to promote the realization of the official Comprehensive Plan;
- E. To exercise such other powers as may be conferred by the City Council (cross referenced to Section 17.04 of the City Code regarding powers and duties).

(2012-M-46 : § 6; 1998-M-36 : § 1; Prior code : § 9.804)

2.29 – St. Charles Cultural Commission

Sections

- 2.29.010 – Establishment
- 2.29.020 – Purpose
- 2.29.030 – Members - Appointment
- 2.29.040 – Members - Terms of office
- 2.29.050 – Members - Terms to begin and end
- 2.29.060 – Duties
- 2.29.070 – Annual Report
- 2.29.280 – Compensation and Conflicts of Interest
- 2.29.300 – Meetings
- 2.29.310 – Officer
- 2.29.320 – Voting/Quorum

2.29.010 – Establishment

There is hereby established a St. Charles Cultural Commission comprising no more than nine members who shall be residents of the city.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.020 – Purpose

The St. Charles Cultural Commission will encourage, support and recommend organizations that will support and promote culture, history and the arts in St. Charles.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.030 – Members - Appointment

The members of such commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with advice and consent of the City Council. Vacancies shall be filled in like manner. The commission shall select one of its members as chairman.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.040 – Members - Terms of office

Members of the commission shall serve for a term of three years with three members being appointed each year; provided, however, for the first nine members of the commission, three members shall serve one year from the date of appointment through April 30, 1997, three from date of appointment through April 30, 1998, and three from the date of appointment through April 30, 1999.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.050 – Members - Terms to begin and end

The terms of office of the members shall coincide with the fiscal year of the city being May 1 of one year through April 30 of the following year with the commencement of the first commission and terms of office being described in Section 2.29.040.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.060 – Duties

The St. Charles Cultural Commission shall:

- A. Examine all cultural activities within the city and make recommendations to the City Council as to which organizations and groups the city should contract with to provide services to the residents and visitors to the city.
- B. Examine, negotiate and recommend contracts for services with appropriate benchmarks and reports from the various groups and organizations it recommends.
- C. Make or cause to be made studies and surveys related to cultural activities.
- D. Recommend plans and methods for the provision of services to the community at large.
- E. Make recommendations of a budget for the provision of services.

(2012-M-46 : § 7; 2002-M-22 : § 1; 2001-M-5 : § 1; 2000-M-9 : § 1; 1998-M-29 : § 1; 1997-M-28 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.070 – Annual Report

Each year the St. Charles Cultural Commission shall make a report to the Government Operations Committee of the City Council which shall include its recommendations relative to a budget, allocation of funds for services and recommended contracts relative to the fiscal year beginning May 1 of the year such report is given; and such report shall also include an analysis of the effectiveness of such services being provided including the number of participants and estimated numbers taking advantage of such services.

(2012-M-46 : § 7; 2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.280 – Compensation and Conflicts of Interest

No commissioner shall receive compensation for serving as a commissioner. No commissioner shall be interested, either directly or indirectly, in the purchase or sale of services, supplies or as an employee except to the extent permitted under the statutes of the State of Illinois.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.300 – Meetings

The Commission members shall set the time and place for the meetings of the Commission.

(2012-M-46 : § 7; 2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.310 – Officer

The only officer shall be the Chairman, who shall be elected by the Commission members at their first meeting. The Chairman shall remain the Chairman until the Commission elects a new Chairman.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.29.320 – Voting/Quorum

Each Commission shall have one vote and all votes shall be decided by a majority of a quorum. A quorum shall consist of five or more members.

(2001-M-5 : § 1; 1995-M-50 : § 1)

2.30 – Fire Department

Sections

- 2.30.010 – Created - Composition
- 2.30.020 – Fire Chief – Appointments, promotion and vacancy filling
- 2.30.030 – Full-time Firefighter – Appointment and promotion
- 2.30.040 – Full-time Firefighter - Discharge
- 2.30.050 – Paid-on-call Firefighter - Appointment
- 2.30.060 – Paid-on-call Firefighter - Qualifications
- 2.30.080 – Fire Chief - Duties
- 2.30.085 – Fire Department - Duties
- 2.30.090 – Recordkeeping by Fire Chief
- 2.30.100 – Rules and regulations
- 2.30.105 – Chain of command
- 2.30.110 – Command at emergencies
- 2.30.115 – Conduct, duties at emergency incidents
- 2.30.120 – Obedience to orders
- 2.30.130 – Absence of paid-on-call firefighter
- 2.30.140 – Service outside corporate limits
- 2.30.150 – Enforcement of chapter
- 2.30.160 – Funds - Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax Board
- 2.30.170 – Unauthorized use of apparatus prohibited
- 2.30.180 – Meetings and social activities – Records required
- 2.30.190 – Fire protection training

2.30.010 – Created - Composition

There is created a Fire Department, an executive department of the City. The director of the Fire Department shall be the Fire Chief. The membership of the Fire Department shall consist of such positions as may be authorized and funded by the Mayor and City Council. Other members of the Fire Department are to be known as paid-on-call firefighters. All members of the Fire Department, including the Fire Chief, are to be considered to be employees of the City.

(2008-M-92 : § 1; 2007-M-113 : § 1; 2003-M-42 : § 1; 2002-M-84 : § 1; 1998-M-40 : § 1; 1992-M-52 : § 1; 1992-M-17 : § 1; 1989-M-72 : § 1; 1988-M-79 : § 1; 1988-M-18 : § 1; 1986-M-43 : § 1; 1982-M-60 : § 1; 1981-M-44 : § 1; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1972-M-37 : § 2; 1969-M-1 : (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.001)

2.30.020 – Fire Chief – Appointments, promotion and vacancy filling

- A. The Fire Chief shall be recommended for appointment by the City Administrator and appointed annually by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council until the first day of May following his or her appointment, except for the following:
 - 1. If the City Administrator determines that the Fire Chief is not satisfactorily fulfilling the duties of the position, the City Administrator, with approval of the Mayor and City Council, may terminate the Fire Chief at any time during the year of appointment.
 - 2. If the Fire Chief demonstrates behavior that would be cause for immediate dismissal, the City Administrator, with Mayor and City Council approval, may terminate the Fire Chief immediately.
- B. If a Fire Chief is terminated prior to the end of his or her term, the Mayor, upon the receipt of a recommendation from the City Administrator, and advice and consent of the City Council, may appoint a new Fire Chief prior to May 1.
- C. The Assistant Fire Chief(s) shall be exempt rank(s) and position(s) shall be appointed or promoted by the City Administrator upon the recommendation of the Fire Chief and shall be subject to removal by the City Administrator. The provisions of 65 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/10-2.1-4, as amended, shall not apply to appointments, promotions or removals for the position(s) of Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief.
- D. Any full-time member of the Fire Department appointed as Fire Chief or Assistant Fire Chief unless outlined herein, shall not retain any reversionary rights in any former position and shall not be returned to such position if removed or resigned from his/her appointed position.
 - 1. Any full-time member of the Fire Department holding the rank of Assistant Fire Chief or Battalion Chief, prior to January 7, 2008, shall be classified during his or her term in such position as on furlough from the Fire Department at the rank to which he or she is entitled under the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners at the beginning of his or her term of office. If he or she resigns or retires from the appointed rank or is removed by the appointing authority, said officer shall revert to his or her permanent rank, if any, in the Fire Department as established under statute or City ordinance, unless removed from the department by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. If the employee reverts to a prior rank, the employee shall be entitled to all the benefits and emoluments of that rank, without regard as to whether a vacancy then exists in that rank.
 - 2. If a member of the department is appointed to a rank immediately below the Chief in a manner provided by ordinance after enactment of this ordinance and prior to being eligible to retire on pension, he or she shall be considered as on furlough from the Fire Department at the rank to which he or she is entitled under the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners at the beginning of his or her term of office until such time as the employee attains pension eligibility. If he or she resigned from his or her appointed rank or is removed by the appointed authority prior to attaining eligibility to retire on pension, he or she shall revert to and be established in whatever rank he or she held immediately prior to his or her appointment to the rank immediately below the Chief and thereafter be entitled to all the benefits and emoluments of that rank without regard to whether a vacancy then exists in that rank, unless removed from the department by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. If he or she resigned from the appointed rank or is removed by the appointing authority after attaining eligibility to retire on pension, such employee shall be removed from employment and shall not be returned to any prior rank.
 - 3. The provisions for removal set forth in this ordinance shall not apply where such individual has been discharged for cause by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, in which case he or she shall be disqualified as a member of the Fire Department.

(2008-M-92 : § 2; 2008-M-42 : § 11; 2008-M-3 : § 1; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.002)

2.30.030 – Full-time Firefighter – Appointment and promotion

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 12; 2008-M-3 : § 2; 2007-M-76 : § 1; 2003-M-42 : § 2; 2002-M-84 : § 1; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.003)

2.30.040 – Full-time Firefighter - Discharge

No full-time firefighter shall be discharged from the department except after a hearing on the charges before the board of fire and police commissioners as provided by statute; provided, that this section shall not be construed as affecting the power of the Mayor and City Council to appoint and remove the Fire Chief.

(2008-M-3 : § 3; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.004)

2.30.050 – Paid-on-call Firefighter - Appointment

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 3; 2008-M-3 : § 5; 1978-M-26 : § 1; 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.006)

2.30.060 – Paid-on-call Firefighter - Qualifications

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 3; 2008-M-3 : § 4; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 ; Prior code : § 8.006)

2.30.080 – Fire Chief - Duties

The Fire Chief is responsible for the enforcement of all laws and ordinances coming within the legal jurisdiction of the department. The Fire Chief is responsible for planning, directing, coordinating, controlling, and staffing all activities of the department, for its continued and efficient operations, for the enforcement of rules and regulations within the department, for the completion and forwarding of such reports as may be required by competent authority and for the department's relations with the citizens of St. Charles, the city government and other agencies.

(2008-M-3 : § 6; 1978-M-26 : § 1; 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.007)

2.30.085 – Fire Department - Duties

It shall be the function and duty of the Fire Department and every member thereof to prevent, extinguish, and investigate the causes of fires occurring in the city, to enforce the provisions of this code and all city ordinances relating to fire and life safety hazards, and to prevent infractions of such laws and ordinances. The Fire Department shall have other such duties and responsibilities as may be prescribed by law, and as may be assigned to it by the Mayor, City Administrator, or City Council including, but not limited to hazardous materials response, technical rescue, water rescue, and public education. These specified powers and duties shall apply throughout all or part of any fire district served by the Fire Department pursuant to agreement.

(2008-M-3 : § 7)

2.30.090 – Recordkeeping by Fire Chief

The Fire Chief shall keep or cause to be kept such records and make such reports showing the activities of the Fire Department as may be required by the City Administrator, the Mayor and City Council or law.

(2008-M-3 : § 8; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.016)

2.30.100 – Rules and regulations

The Fire Chief shall make or describe such rules and regulations for the guidance of the members and employees of the fire department as he shall see fit, such rules and regulations, shall be binding on such members and employees.

(2008-M-3 : § 9; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1969-M-1 : (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.009)

2.30.105 – Chain of command

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 5; 2008-M-3 : § 10)

2.30.110 – Command at emergencies

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 6; 2008-M-3 : § 11; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.010)

2.30.115 – Conduct, duties at emergency incidents

The Fire Chief or, in his or her absence, the officer in command at any emergency incident shall have the power to cause the removal of any property whenever it shall become necessary for the preservation of life and property or to protect the adjoining property; and may direct or cause the removal, tearing down, cutting down, of any building, structure, or fence for the purpose of checking the progress of any emergency incident.

The Fire Chief, or any other fire officer in command at an emergency incident, may establish limits in the vicinity of any emergency incident within which no persons, except firefighters, police officers, and those admitted by any officer of the Fire Department, shall be permitted to go.

The Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chiefs, Battalion Chiefs, Captains, and Lieutenants of the Fire Department shall have the power and authority to cause to be arrested any person, at or near the scene of an emergency incident, for any interference with the Fire Department in the performance of its duties or for the commission of a crime or violation of any ordinance in connection with the emergency incident.

(2008-M-3 : § 12)

2.30.120 – Obedience to orders

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 8; 2008-M-3 : § 14; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.011)

2.30.130 – Absence of paid-on-call firefighter

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 8; 2008-M-3 : § 14; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.011)

2.30.140 – Service outside corporate limits

Members of the Fire Department are authorized to go outside the corporate limits of the city for the purpose of rendering aid to other fire departments or municipalities for extinguishing fires and rendering aid in the case of emergencies in accordance with the following:

- A. Where the Fire Department is acting pursuant to the terms and conditions of a contract, automatic-aid, or mutual-aid agreement to render service outside the corporate limits; or
- B. Where the Fire Chief, City Administrator, or the Mayor and City council has ordered such action.

(2008-M-3 : § 15; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.015)

2.30.150 – Enforcement of chapter

It shall be the duty of all officers of the Fire Department and all police officers of the city to see that the provisions of this chapter are enforced and to arrest on view any person who is found violating any of the provisions of this chapter or hinders, resists or refuses to obey any such officer in the discharge of his duty, and to that end all such officers are vested with the usual power and authority of police officers.

(1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.013)

2.30.160 – Funds - Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax Board

- A. The City of St. Charles Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax Board (hereinafter BOARD) shall consist of seven (7) trustees; the Fire Chief, who shall hold office by virtue of rank, and six (6) members, who shall be elected at large by sworn members of the Fire Department. If there are an insufficient number of candidates to fill all these positions, the number of BOARD members may be reduced to not less than three (3) trustees. All members of the Fire Department shall be eligible to be elected as trustees of the BOARD. The trustees of the BOARD shall annually elect officers. The BOARD officers shall be a Chairman, a Vice Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.
- B. The BOARD shall make all needful rules with respect to the BOARD and the management of money to be appropriated to the BOARD, including, but not limited to, rules prescribing the method for submission of matters for its consideration. All such rules shall be first approved by the BOARD prior to being in full force and effect. Such rules may be changed from time to time by a majority vote of the BOARD.
- C. The BOARD shall manage and authorize the disbursement of all foreign fire insurance company tax funds received by the City for the maintenance, use, and benefit of the Fire Department. Such expenditures shall inure solely to the Fire Department as a whole. The offices of the BOARD shall develop and maintain a listing of those items the BOARD feels are appropriate expenditures under the Foreign Fire Insurance Company Fees Act.
- D. The City Treasurer shall cause all funds received from the Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax to be paid to the Treasurer of the BOARD. Such funds delivered to the Treasurer of the BOARD shall be deposited in the Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax Fund, which is hereby authorized to be established. The Treasurer of the BOARD shall be responsible to pay any authorized collection fees or service charge associated with the same and shall further be responsible to disburse all funds from the Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax Fund only upon authorization of the BOARD for only the purposes set forth herein.
- E. The Treasurer of the BOARD shall give a bond to the City in an amount equal to one and one-half times the anticipated annual Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax to the BOARD. Such bond shall be approved by the Mayor of the City conditioned upon the faithful performance by the Treasurer of his/her duties under this Section and the rules and regulations of the BOARD. The cost of such bond shall be payable from the Foreign Fire Insurance Company Tax Fund.
- F. As part of the annual municipal audit, the funds of the BOARD shall be audited, at the expense of the BOARD, to verify the funds have been expended by the BOARD solely for the maintenance, use, and benefit of the Fire Department as a whole.
- G. All meetings of the BOARD shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, as may be amended from time to time, and the BOARD shall annually publish its regular meeting schedule which shall include the location and time of all regular meetings. A complete record of the proceedings of each meeting of the BOARD shall be kept.
- H. At no time shall the actions of the BOARD or its officers interfere with the ordinances and rights of the City or its Fire Chief, the composition of the Fire Department, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of the City, or in any way impede the operation of the Fire Department. The City retains the right to withhold approval for use by City employees or in Fire Department City facilities of equipment, supplies, or services purchased by the BOARD but not approved by the City.
- I. The term "members" of the Fire Department shall be construed to include those persons described in Section 2.30.010 of the St. Charles Municipal Code.

(2011-M-1 : § 1; 2008-M-3 : § 16; 1994-M-59 : § 1; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.012)

2.30.170 – Unauthorized use of apparatus prohibited

It is unlawful for any person to use any fire engine, hose or any other apparatus belonging to the City for any private purpose other than official business of the Fire Department. It is unlawful for any person to remove the same or any part thereof from its place of deposit or, having control thereof, to permit such engine, hose or other apparatus to be used for any private purpose other than aforesaid. Upon conviction, such person shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than five hundred dollars.

(2008-M-3 : § 17; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1969-M-1 : (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.014)

2.30.180 – Meetings and social activities – Records required

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-92 : § 9; 1978-M-26 : § 1 (part); 1966-15 : (part); Prior code : § 8.017)

2.30.190 – Fire protection training

- A. The city elects to participate in the training programs provided for in the Illinois Fire Protection Training Act.
- B. Before an individual may commence regular full-time employment as a firefighter, said individual must have been certified by the Illinois State Fire Marshal as a Firefighter II, as having successfully completed a course approved by the office of the State Fire Marshal and attain licensure as an emergency medical technician-paramedic (EMT-P) with the Illinois Department of Public Health.
- C. For paid on-call personnel, the Firefighter II training must be completed by the trainee within that individual's probationary period of one calendar year from the initial date of probationary appointment.
- D. The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is authorized to make any necessary amendments to the rules of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

(2008-M-3 : § 18; 1982-M-57 : § 1)

2.32 – Police Department

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2.32.010 – Created - Composition

There is created a Police Department, an executive department of the city. The director of the Police Department shall be the Police Chief. The membership of the Police Department shall consist of such positions as may be authorized and funded by the Mayor and City Council. Members of the Police Department, including the Police Chief, are to be considered employees of the City.

(2008-M-93 : § 1; 2007-M-33 : § 1; 2004-M-87 : § 1; 2000-M-22 : § 1; 1998-M-89 : § 1; 1995-M-31 : § 1; 1994-M-72 : § 1; 1994-M-46 : § 1; 1991-M-91 : § 1; 1991-M-26 : § 1; 1990-M-99 : § 1; 1990-M-50 : § 1; 1989-M-93 : § 1; 1989-M-25 : § 1; 1988-M-28 : § 1; 1987-M-3 : § 1; 1985-M-45 : § 1; 1983-M-15 : § 1)

2.32.020 – Appointments, promotion, and vacancy filling

1. The Chief of Police shall be recommended for appointment by the City Administrator and appointed annually by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council until the first day of May following his or her appointment, except for the following:
 1. If the City Administrator determines that the Chief of Police is not satisfactorily fulfilling the duties of the position, the City Administrator, with approval of the Mayor and City Council, may terminate the Chief of Police at any time during the year of appointment.
 2. If the Chief of Police demonstrates behavior that would be cause for immediate dismissal, the City Administrator, with Mayor and City Council approval, may terminate the Chief of Police immediately.

If a Chief of Police is terminated prior to the end of his or her term, the Mayor, upon the receipt of a recommendation from the City Administrator, and advice and consent of the City Council may appoint a new Police Chief prior to May 1.

2. All Deputy Chief and Commander positions shall be exempt rank(s) and position(s) and shall be appointed or promoted by the City Administrator upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police and shall be subject to removal by the City Administrator.

The provisions of 65 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/10-2.1-4, as amended, shall not apply to appointments, promotions or removals for the position(s) of Chief of Police, Deputy Chief, or Commander.
3. Any full-time member of the Police Department appointed as Chief of Police, Deputy Chief, or Commander, unless outlined herein, shall not retain any reversionary rights in any former position and shall not be returned to such position if removed or resigned from his appointed position.
 1. Any full-time member of the Police Department holding the rank of Deputy Police Chief, or Commander upon enactment of this ordinance shall be classified during his or her term in such position as on furlough from the Police Department at the rank to which he or she is entitled under the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners at the beginning of his or her term of office.
 2. If he or she resigns or retires from the appointed rank or is removed by the appointing authority, said officer shall revert to his or her permanent rank, if any, in the Police Department as established under statute or City ordinance, unless removed from the department by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. If the employee reverts to a prior rank, the employee shall be entitled to all the benefits and emoluments of that rank, without regard as to whether a vacancy then exists in that rank.
 3. If a member of the department is appointed to a rank immediately below the Chief in a manner provided by ordinance after enactment of this ordinance and prior to being eligible to retire on pension, he or she shall be considered as on furlough from the Police Department at the rank to which he or she is entitled under the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners at the beginning of his or her term of office until such time as the employee attains pension eligibility. If he or she resigned from his or her appointed rank or is removed by the appointed authority prior to attaining eligibility to retire on pension, he or she shall revert to and be established in whatever rank he or she held immediately prior to his or her appointment to the rank immediately below the Chief and thereafter be entitled to all the benefits and emoluments of that rank without regard to whether a vacancy then exists in that rank, unless removed from the department by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. If he or she resigned from the appointment rank or is removed by the appointing authority after attaining eligibility to retire on pension, such employee shall be removed from employment and shall not be returned to any prior rank.
 4. The provisions for removal set forth in this ordinance shall not apply where such individual has been discharged for cause by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, in which case he or she shall be disqualified as a member of the Police Department. (Ord. 2008-M-93 § 2.)
4. The provisions for removal set forth in this ordinance shall not apply where such individual has been discharged for cause by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, in which case he or she shall be disqualified as a member of the Police Department.

(2017-M-34 ; 2008-M-42 : § 9; 2008-M-6 : § 1; 2007-M-77 : § 1; 2004-M-87 : § 1; 2000-M-22 : § 1 & 2; 1999-M-28 : § 1; 1994-M-72 : § 1; 1978-M-25 : § 1 (part); Prior code : 7.002)

2.32.030 – Powers and duties of Police Chief and department

- A. The chief of police shall perform the duties that the city council prescribed for the preservation of the public peace, the observance and enforcement of ordinances and laws, and prevention and detection of criminal activity. The chief of police shall, subject to the policies and directions of the mayor, city council and city comptroller, have full authority and responsibility for the administration and management of the police department's annual budget. The chief of police shall be responsible for planning, directing, coordinating, controlling and staffing all activities of the department or its continued and efficient operation, for the enforcement of the rules and regulations and city policy within the department, for the completion and forwarding of such reports as may be required by competent authority, and for the department's relations with the citizens of St. Charles, the city government and other official agencies. (Ord. 1988-M-66 § 1)
- B. The Chief of Police and police officers of the City shall be conservators of the peace. All persons specified and authorized by this chapter shall have power:
 - 1. To arrest or cause to be arrested, with or without process, all persons who break the peace, or who are found violating any municipal ordinance or any criminal law of the state;
 - 2. To commit arrested persons for examination;
 - 3. If necessary, to detain arrested persons in custody overnight or Sunday in a safe place, or until they can be brought before the proper court; and
 - 4. To exercise all other powers as conservators of the peace that the City authorities may prescribe.
- C. All warrants for the violation of municipal ordinances, or the state criminal law, to whomsoever directed, may be served and executed within the limits of the city by any police officer thereof. For this purpose, police officers have all the common law and statutory power of sheriffs.

(2008-M-6 : § 2; 1987-M-3 : § 1; 1978-M-25 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 7.003)

2.32.040 – Fee for Bail/Bond administration

The Police Department shall charge an administrative fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the processing of bail or bond of an individual in any legal process, civil or criminal, or on any bookable arrest, including any arrest on a warrant.

(2011-M-15 : § 1; 2008-M-93 : § 3; 1998-M-89 : § 2; 1978-M-25 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 7.004)

2.32.050 – Benefits

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-42 : § 10; 1978-M-25 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 7.005)

2.32.060 – Private occupations

No member of the city police department shall directly or indirectly engage in the following private occupations within the corporate limits of the city:

- A. A private detective, a private detective agency, or a private detective business, as defined in the following:
 - 1. A private detective business shall consist of the business of making, for hire or reward, an investigation or investigations by a person or persons for the purpose of obtaining information with reference to any of the following matters: crime against a commonwealth or wrongs done or threatened; the habits, conduct, movements, whereabouts, associations, transactions, reputations, or character of any person, firm or corporation; the credibility of witnesses or other persons; the location or recovery of lost or stolen property; the causes, origin or responsibility for fires or accidents or injuries to real or personal property; or concerning the truth or falsity of any statement or representation; or the business of securing for hire or reward, evidence to be used before authorized investigating committees, boards of award or arbitration, or in the trial of civil or criminal cases. The business of furnishing for hire or reward, guard or guards, watchman or watchmen, patrolman or patrolmen, or other persons to protect persons or property, both real and personal, or to prevent theft or the unlawful taking of goods, wares and merchandise, or to prevent the misappropriation or concealment of goods, wares and merchandise, money, bonds, stocks, choices in action, notes or other valuable documents or papers, and shall include any individual who shall for hire patrol, watch or guard any residential, industrial or business property or district, or the business of performing the service of such guard or other person for any of said purposes.
 - 2. A detective agency shall mean and include any person, firm or corporation engaged in the private detective business who employs one or more persons in conducting such business.
 - 3. A private detective shall mean and include any person who, singly, conducts a private detective s without the assistance of any employee and who is the holder of a certificate of registration issued by the department of registration and education of the state.
- B. The repossession of personal property;
- C. The serving of legal documents or papers that do not arise out of their duties as members of the city police department.

(1978-M-25 : § 1 (part); Prior code : § 7.006)

2.33 – Office of Purchasing

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2.33.010 – Definitions

For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meaning given in this section. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include the singular number, and words in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "Finance Director" is the officer vested with the executive powers of the Finance Department of the City.
- B. "City" is the City of St. Charles.
- C. "City council" is the City Council of the City.
- D. "City Purchasing Manager" is the Purchasing and Inventory Control Division Manager of the City.
- E. "Contractual services" means all telephone, gas, water, electric light and power services; towel and cleaning service; leases for all grounds, buildings, office or other space required by the using agencies; and the rental repair or maintenance of equipment, machinery and other city-owned personal property. The term shall not include professional and other contractual services which are in their nature unique and not subject to competition.
- F. "Supplies" means all supplies, materials, and equipment.
- G. "Using agency" is any department, agency, commission, committee, bureau or other unit in the city government using supplies or procuring contractual services as provided for in this chapter.

(2013-M-21 : § 1; 2008-M-1 : § 1; 2000-M-2 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 1)

2.33.020 – Office established

There is established a Finance Department with an office of purchasing. This office is to be a division of the Finance Department, under the direct supervision of the Finance Director.

(2008-M-1 : § 2; 1979-M-37 : § 2)

2.33.030 – Purchasing manager - Position created

The Purchasing Manager shall be the head and have general supervision of the purchasing function. The manager shall perform all duties required by law, and shall have the powers and duties prescribed by this chapter.

(1979-M-37 : § 3 (part))

2.33.040 – Purchasing manager - Qualifications and selection

The manager shall:

- A. Be selected by the Finance Director;
- B. Have had, prior to selection, considerable experience in a purchasing office of a public or private corporation in an executive capacity, and meet all other qualifications criteria as outlined in the position job description.

(2008-M-1 : § 3; 2000-M-2 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 3(1))

2.33.050 – Committee on standardization and specification - Created

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-1 : § 4; 1979-M-37 : § 4 (part))

2.33.060 – Nature of specifications

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-1 : § 4; 1979-M-37 : § 4(5))

2.33.070 – Manager - Enforcement of committee specifications

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-1 : § 4; 1979-M-37 : § 4(1))

2.33.080 – Manager - Committee related duties

It shall be the duty of the manager:

- A. To classify all the supplies used by the various branches of the City government, and in consort to establish and maintain a coexisting inventory control and accounting program for the City;
- B. To adopt as standards the minimum number of quantities, sizes, and varieties of supplies consistent with the successful operation of the City government;
- C. To prepare and adopt written specifications of all such standard supplies.
- D. In consort with the heads and other officials of the Using Agency to prepare and adopt written specifications for the procurement of contracts and agreements for Contractual Services as required by this Chapter.

(2013-M-21 : § 2; 1979-M-37 : § 4(2))

2.33.090 – Application of standard specifications - Exemptions

After its adoption, each standard specification shall, until revised or rescinded, apply alike in terms and effect to every future purchase and contract for the supply described in such specifications.

The manager shall have the authority to exempt any using agency of the city for use of the supply described in such standard specification, if the meeting of such specification is not in the best interest of the city and is so documented.

(1979-M-37 : § 4(3))

2.33.100 – Determination of standard specifications - Consultation with using agencies.

The manager shall continually consult with the heads and other officials of the using agencies to determine their precise requirements and shall endeavor to prescribe those standards which meet the needs of the majority of such agencies.

(1979-M-37 : § 4(4))

2.33.110 – Manager - Purchasing authority

The manager shall have the power and it shall be his duty:

- A. To purchase or contract for all supplies and contractual services needed by any using agency which derives its support wholly or in part from the City, in accordance with purchasing procedures as prescribed by this chapter and such rules and regulations as the manager shall adopt with the concurrence of the Finance Director for the internal management and operation of the office of purchasing and such other rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Finance Director and the Government Operations Committee;
- B. The authority of the manager to negotiate all purchases for all using agencies shall not be abridged by excepting a particular using agency;
- C. Except as provided in this chapter, no city officer or officers shall purchase any supplies or make any contract within the purview of this chapter other than through the office of purchasing, and any purchase ordered or contract made contrary to the provisions of this chapter shall require the approval of the city council.

(2008-M-1 : § 5; 1979-M-37 : § 3(2))

2.33.120 – Manager - Powers and duties generally

In addition to the purchasing authority conferred by this chapter, the manager shall:

- A. Act to procure for the city the highest quality in supplies and contractual services at least expense to the city;
- B. Discourage uniform bidding and endeavor to obtain as full and open competition as possible on all purchases and sales;
- C. Establish, and amend when necessary, all rules and regulations authorized by this chapter and any others necessary to its operation;
- D. Keep informed of current developments in the field of purchasing, prices, market conditions and new products, and secure for the city the benefits of research done in the field of purchasing by other governmental jurisdictions, national technical societies, trade associations having national recognition, and by private businesses and organizations;
- E. Prescribe and maintain such forms as he shall find reasonably necessary to the operation of this chapter;
- F. Prepare and adopt a standard purchasing manual for all using agencies and suppliers;
- G. Prepare, adopt and maintain a current vendor's catalog file. Said catalog shall be filed according to materials and shall contain descriptions of vendor's commodities, prices, and discounts;
- H. Exploit the possibilities of buying in bulk so as to take full advantage of discounts;
 - I. Act so as to procure for the city all federal tax exemptions to which it is entitled;
- J. Cooperate with the department of finance so as to secure for the city the maximum efficiency in budgeting and accounting;
- K. Have the authority to declare vendors who default on their quotations irresponsible bidders and to disqualify them from receiving any business from the municipality for a stated period of time.
- L. Determine the most beneficial method of obtaining competitive pricing if the Competitive Bidding procedure is not required by Illinois Compiled Statutes or by this Chapter of the St. Charles Municipal Code.

(2013-M-21 : § 3; 1979-M-37 : § 3(3))

2.33.130 – Requisition and estimates

- A. All using agencies, either by or with the authorization of the head of the department under which the using agency operates, shall file with the Purchasing Manager detailed requisitions or estimates of their requirements in supplies and contractual services in such manner, at such times, and for such future periods as the Purchasing Manager shall prescribe.
- B. A using agency shall not be prevented from filing, in the same manner, with the Purchasing Manager at any time, a requisition or estimate for any supplies and contractual services, the need for which was not foreseen when the detailed estimates were filed.
- C. The Purchasing Manager shall examine each requisition or estimate and shall have the authority to revise it as to quality, quantity, or estimated cost, but the Purchasing Manager shall consult with the head of the requisitioning agency prior to making revision.

(1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 5)

2.33.140 – Encumbrance of funds

Except in cases of emergency, the Purchasing Manager shall not issue any order for delivery on a contract or open market purchase until the Finance Director has certified, after pre-audit, that there is to the credit of the using agencies concerned a sufficient budgeted balance, in excess of all unpaid obligations, to defray the amount of such order.

(2008-M-1 : § 6; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 6)

2.33.150 – Prohibition of interest

In compliance with Illinois State Statute, the Purchasing Manager and every officer and employee of the city are expressly prohibited from accepting, directly, indirectly, from any person, company firm or corporation to which any purchase order or contract is, or might be awarded, any rebate, gift, money, or anything of value whatsoever, except where given for the use and benefit of the city.

(1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 7)

2.33.160 – Competitive bidding or pricing required

The City shall comply with all requirements of Illinois Compiled Statutes “Purchasing and Public Works Contracts in Municipalities of Less than 500,000” (65ILCS 5/8-9) requiring competitive bidding. All other purchases of, and contracts for supplies and contractual services, in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) and all sales of personal property which has become obsolete and/or unusable shall, except as specifically provided in this chapter, be based wherever possible on competitive bids, unless otherwise authorized by the City Council. In all events State statutory requirements shall be followed in connection with all sales and purchases.

For purchases of goods or services exceeding \$5,000 or if, in the determination of the Purchasing Manager, a specific purchase, contract, or contractual service involves a high level of vendor response, service effort or resource allocation, specialized technical knowledge, expertise, or skill and ability, the Purchasing Manager shall, in consultation with the heads and other officials of the Using Agencies, determine the specifications and/or qualifications necessary to provide the goods or services required. The Purchasing Manager shall utilize a competitive pricing (CP) process by soliciting quotes from qualified vendors to procure the goods or services necessary at the most beneficial terms to the city. In such instances, the Purchasing Manager shall use his best efforts to obtain at least 3 independent proposal responses from qualified potential vendors. If the purchase or contract amount is greater than \$25,000 the results of the CP process shall be submitted to the City Council for approval. In all events State statutory requirements shall be followed in connection with all sales and purchases.

(2013-M-21 : § 4; 2006-M-11 : § 1; 1989-M-100 : § 1; 1988-M-69 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1982-M-67 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 8)

2.33.170 – Formal contract procedure - Required when

When the estimated cost of supplies and/or contractual services exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) they shall be purchased by formal, written contract from the lowest responsible bidder or quote provider after notice inviting proposals except as otherwise specified in this chapter or otherwise authorized by the City Council.

(2013-M-21 : § 5; 2006-M-11 : § 2; 1989-M-100 : § 1; 1988-M-104 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 9 (part))

2.33.180 – Formal contract procedure - Inviting bids

- A. Newspaper. Notice inviting bids shall be published once in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the city and at least fourteen days preceding the last day set for the receipt of proposals. The newspaper notice required in this section shall include a general description of the articles to be purchased or sold, shall state where bid blanks and specifications may be secured, and the time and place for opening bids.
- B. Bidder's List. The manager shall also solicit sealed bids from all responsible prospective suppliers who have requested their names to be added to a bidder's list which is made up of prequalified prospective suppliers. The prequalification process generally requires the prospective suppliers to furnish the purchasing department with annual financial reports, credit and product references, corporate history (where applicable) and production and delivery capabilities. The bidder's list shall be maintained by the manager, who shall send each bidder such newspaper notice or such other notice as will acquaint them with the proposed purchase or sale. In any case, invitations sent to the vendors on the bidder's list shall be limited to commodities that are similar in character and ordinarily handled by the trade group to which the invitations are sent.
- C. Website. Notice inviting bids shall be published on the City's website for the fourteen-day period immediately preceding the last day set for receipt of bids. The notice required in this section shall include a general description of the articles and/or services to be purchased or sold, shall state where the blanks and specifications may be secured, the time and place of any pre-bid conferences or meetings, and the time and place for opening bids.

(2013-M-21 : § 6; 1979-M-37 : § 9(1))

2.33.190 – Formal contract procedure - Bid deposits

When deemed necessary by the manager or state statute, bid deposits shall be prescribed in the public notices inviting bids. Unsuccessful bidders shall be entitled to return of surety where the manager has required such. A successful bidder shall forfeit any surety required upon failure on his part to enter a contract within ten days after the award.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(2))

2.33.200 – Formal contract procedure - Bid opening procedure

- A. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope inserted in a larger sealed envelope, clearly marked with the word "Bid."
- B. Bids shall be opened in public at the time and place stated in public notices.
- C. A tabulation of all bids received shall be available for public inspection.

(1979-M-37 : § 9 (3))

2.33.210 – Formal contract procedure - Rejection of bids

- A. The city council and the manager shall have the authority to reject all bids, parts of all bids, or all bids for any one or more supplies or contractual services included in the proposed contract.
- B. The manager shall not accept the bid of a contractor who is in default on the payment of taxes, licenses or other monies due the city.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(4))

2.33.220 – Formal contract procedure - Award - Authority

The city council and the manager shall have the authority to award contracts within the purview of this chapter.

(1979-M-37 : § 9 (5) (a))

2.33.230 – Formal contract procedure - Award - Lowest responsible bidder

Contracts shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. In determining the lowest responsible bidder, in addition to price, the manager and city council shall consider:

- A. The ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the contract or provide the service required;
- B. Whether the bidder can perform the contract or provide the service promptly, or within the time specified, without delay or interference;
- C. The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder;
- D. The quality of performance of previous contracts or services;
- E. The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with the laws and ordinances relating to the contract or service;
- F. The sufficiency of the financial resources and ability of the bidder to perform the contract or provide the service;
- G. The quality, availability and adaptability of the supplies, or contractual services to the particular use required;
- H. The ability of the bidder to provide future maintenance and service for the use of the subject of the contract;
 - I. The number and scope of conditions attached to the bid;
 - J. such other factors as the manager or city council shall deem appropriate.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(5) (b))

2.33.240 – Formal contract procedure - Award - To other than low bidder

When the award is not given to the lowest bidder, a full and complete statement of the reasons for placing the order elsewhere shall be prepared by the manager and filed with the other papers relating to the transaction, showing why accepting another bid is more advantageous to the city.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(5) (c))

2.33.250 – Formal contract procedure - Tie bids

- A. Local Vendors. If all bids received are for the same total amount or unit price, quality and service being equal, the contract shall be awarded to a local bidder.
- B. Outside Vendors. Where subsection A is not in effect, the manager shall award the contract to one of the tie bidders by drawing lots in public.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(5) (d))

2.33.260 – Formal contract procedure - Performance bonds

The manager shall have the authority to require a performance bond before entering a contract in such amount as he finds reasonably necessary to protect the best interests of the city.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(5) (e))

2.33.270 – Formal contract procedure - Prohibition against subdivision

No contract or purchase shall be subdivided to avoid the requirements of this chapter.

(1979-M-37 : § 9(6))

2.33.280 – Open market procedure - Required when

All purchases of supplies, and contractual services and all sales of personal property which has become obsolete and/or unusable that shall be made in the open market, without newspaper advertisement and without observing the procedure prescribed by Sections 2.33.170 through 2.33.270 for the award of formal contract. In all events, state statutory requirements shall be followed in connection with all sales and purchases.

(2013-M-21 : § 7; 2010-M-18 : § 2; 2006-M-11 : § 3; 1988-M-104 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 10 (part))

2.33.290 – Open market procedure - Minimum number of quotations

All open market purchases shall, wherever possible, be based on at least three competitive quotations, and shall be awarded to the lowest responsible supplier in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 2.33.230.

(1988-M-104 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 10(1))

2.33.300 – Open market procedure - Notice inviting quotations

The manager shall solicit open market pricing from prospective vendors by direct mail, telephone, electronic communication, or other means the City Purchasing Manager deems acceptable. The City Purchasing Manager shall use his best efforts to obtain at least three (3) open market pricing proposals prior to award of the purchase of goods or services.

(2013-M-21 : § 8; 1988-M-104 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 10(2))

2.33.310 – Open market procedure - Recording

The manager shall keep a record of all open market orders and the quotations submitted in competition thereon, and such records shall also be open to public inspection unless privileged under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

(1988-M-104 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 10(3))

2.33.320 – Central warehousing

The manager shall control and oversee storerooms and warehouses. The manager or his designee shall maintain a perpetual inventory record of all materials, supplies or equipment stored in storerooms and warehouses.

(1988-M-104 : § 1; 1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 11)

2.33.330 – Price agreement contract procedure

The head of the using agency shall have the authority to submit requisitions to the Purchasing Manager for supplies available under the terms of price agreement contract made by the Purchasing Manager.

(1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 12)

2.33.350 – Surplus stock

- A. All using agencies shall submit to the Purchasing Manager, at such time and in such form as he prescribes, reports showing stocks of all supplies which are no longer used or which have become obsolete, worn out or scrapped.
- B. The Purchasing Manager shall have the authority to transfer stock between city departments.

(1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 15)

2.33.360 – Cooperative purchasing

The Purchasing Manager shall have the authority to join with other units of government in cooperative purchasing plans when the best interests of the city would be served thereby

(1985-M-42 : § 1; 1979-M-37 : § 16)

2.34 – Civil Emergency

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2.34.010 – Definitions

- A. A "civic emergency" includes a "state of emergency," and a "local disaster emergency," and is defined to be:
 - 1. A riot or unlawful assembly characterized by the use of actual force or violence or any threat to use force if accompanied by immediate power to execute by three or more persons acting together without authority of law; or
 - 2. Any natural disaster or manmade calamity, including flood, conflagration, cyclone, tornado, earthquake or explosion within the corporate limits of the city, resulting in the death or injury of persons, or the destruction of property, to such an extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety and welfare. (Ord. 1996-M-53 § 7.)
- B. "Curfew" means a prohibition against any person or persons walking, running, loitering, standing or motoring upon any alley, street, highway, public property or vacant premises within the corporate limits of the city, excepting officials of any governmental unit and persons officially designated to duty with reference to said civil emergency.

(1978-M-35 : § 1 (part); 1968-20 : § 1)

2.34.020 – Proclamation of emergency - Authority of Mayor

Whenever an emergency as defined in Section 2.34.010 exists, the mayor shall declare the existence by means of a written declaration setting forth the facts which constitute the emergency.

(1968-20 : § 2)

2.34.030 – Proclamation of emergency - Effective period

The proclamation authorized in this chapter shall be effective for a period of forty-eight hours unless sooner terminated by a proclamation of the mayor indicating that the civil emergency no longer exists. The mayor shall have the power to re-proclaim the existence of a civil emergency at the end of each forty-eight hour period during the time the civil emergency exists. However, the power to proclaim the existence of a local disaster emergency shall further have a maximum limitation of seven days, except by or with the consent of the city council; and the declaration of a state of emergency shall expire not later than the adjournment of the first regular meeting of the corporate authorities after the state of emergency is declared.

(1978-M-35 : § 1 (part); 1968-20 : § 5)

2.34.040 – Proclamation of emergency - Posting required where

Upon issuing the proclamation authorized in this chapter, the chief of police shall notify the news media situated within the city, and shall cause three copies of the proclamation declaring the existence of the emergency to be posted at the following places within the city:

- A. The municipal building;
- B. The police station; and
- C. The post office.

(1968-20 : § 6)

2.34.050 – Curfew - Authority - Applicability

After proclamation of a civil emergency by the mayor, he may order a general curfew applicable to such geographical areas of the city or to the city as a whole, as he deems advisable, and applicable during such hours of the day or night as he deems necessary in the interest of the public safety and welfare.

(1968-20 : § 3)

2.34.060 – Executive order

After the proclamation of a civil emergency, the mayor of the city may also in the interest of public safety and welfare make any or all of the following executive orders:

- A. Order the closing of all retail liquor stores, including taverns and private clubs or portions thereof wherein the consumption of intoxicating liquor and beer is permitted;
- B. Order the discontinuance of the sale of alcoholic liquor by any wholesaler or retailer;
- C. Order the discontinuance of selling, distributing, dispensing or giving of any firearms or ammunition of any character whatsoever;
- D. Order the discontinuance of selling, distributing or giving away gasoline or other liquid flammable or combustible products in any container other than a gasoline tank properly affixed to a motor vehicle;
- E. Issue such other orders as are imminently necessary for the protection of life and property.

(1968-20 : § 4)

2.34.070 – Provisions not to impair power of police and fire departments

Nothing contained in this chapter shall be construed to impair the powers contained in the municipal code of the city, giving powers to the police and fire departments, but shall be construed together with existing ordinances now in effect for the safety and welfare of the citizens of the city.

(1968-20 : § 9)

2.34.080 – Violation - Penalty

Any person violating the provisions of this chapter or executive order issued pursuant thereto shall be guilty of an offense against the city and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars.

(1968-20 : § 7)

2.36 – Emergency Management Agency

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2.36.010 – Policy and procedures

- A. Because of the possibility of the occurrence of disasters of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from the explosion in this or in a neighboring municipality, or by means of terrorism or other disloyal actions within, or from fire, tornado, flood, earthquake, or other natural or man-made causes, and in order to insure that this city will be prepared to and will adequately deal with any such disasters, preserve the lives and property of the people of this city and protect the public peace, health, and safety in the event of such a disaster, it is found and declared to be necessary:
 - 1. To create a municipal emergency management agency.
 - 2. To confer upon the Mayor and extraordinary power and authority set forth under § 11-1-6 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILL. Comp. Stat. 5/11-1-6).
 - 3. To provide for the rendering of mutual aid to other cities and political subdivisions with respect to the carrying out of emergency services and disaster operations.
- B. Whenever the Mayor determines after an investigation that a dangerous situation or a potentially dangerous situation exists which could cause death to individuals or serious injury to property or the health and welfare of public, the Mayor may declare that a state of emergency exists. The extraordinary powers may not be exercised until an ordinance shall have been adopted which shall establish standards for the determination by the Mayor of when the state of emergency exists and shall provide that the Mayor may not exercise such extraordinary power and authority except after signing under oath a statement finding that such standards have been met, setting forth facts to substantiate such findings, describing the nature of the emergency and declaring that a state of emergency exists. This statement shall be filed with the clerk of the city as soon as practical. A state of emergency shall expire not later than the adjournment of the first regular meeting of the corporate authorities after the state of emergency is declared. A subsequent state of emergency may be declared if necessary.
- C. It is further declared to be the purpose of this Chapter and the policy of the city that all emergency management programs of this city be coordinated to the maximum extent with the comparable functions of the federal and state governments, including their various departments and agencies, of other municipalities and localities and private agencies of every type, to the end that the most effective preparation and use may be made of the nation's manpower, resources, and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur.

(2004-M-61 : § 2; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.020 – Limitations

Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to:

- A. interfere with the course or conduct of a private labor dispute, except that actions otherwise authorized by this Chapter or other laws may be taken when necessary to forestall or mitigate imminent or existing danger to public health or safety;
- B. interfere with dissemination of news or comment of public affairs; but any communications facility or organization (including but not limited to radio and television stations, wire services, and newspapers) may be requested to transmit or print public service messages furnishing information or instructions in connection with a disaster;
- C. affect the jurisdiction or responsibilities of police forces, fire fighting forces, units of the armed forces of the United States, or of any personnel thereof, when on active duty; but state and local emergency operations plans shall place reliance upon the forces available for performance of functions related to disaster emergencies;
- D. limit, modify, or abridge the authority of the Mayor and the municipal council to exercise any other powers vested in them under the constitution, statutes, or common law of this state, independent of or in conjunction with any provisions of this Chapter.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.030 – Definitions

As used in this Chapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following words and terms shall have the definitions hereinafter ascribed:

- A. Coordinator means the staff assistant to the Fire Chief with the duty of carrying out the requirements of this Chapter. (Ord. 2014-M-17 § 1)
- B. Disaster means an occurrence or threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or man-made cause, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, hazardous materials spill or other environmental contamination requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, epidemic, air contamination, blight, extended periods of severe and inclement weather, drought, infestation, explosion, critical shortages of essential fuels and energy, riot, or hostile military or paramilitary action.
- C. Emergency Management means the efforts of this city to develop, plan, analyze, conduct, implement, and maintain programs for disaster mitigation.
- D. Emergency Operations Plan means the written plan of the city describing the organization, mission, and functions of the government and supporting services for responding to and recovery from disaster.
- E. Emergency Services means the preparation for and the carrying out of such functions, other than functions for which military forces are primarily responsible, as may be necessary or proper to prevent, minimize, repair, or alleviate injury or damage resulting from disasters caused by fire, flood, earthquake, or other man-made or natural causes. These functions include, without limitation, fire-fighting services, police services, emergency aviation services, medical and health services, rescue, engineering, warning services, communications, radiological, chemical, and other special weapons defense, evacuation or person from stricken areas, emergency assigned functions of plant protection, temporary restoration of public utility services and other functions related to civilian protection, together with all other activities necessary or incidental to protecting life or property.
- F. Political Subdivision means any county, city, village, or incorporated town or township if the township is in a county having a population of more than 2,000,000.
- G. Continuity of Operations means planning to ensure the capability exists to continue essential agency functions across a wide range of hazards both in public and private sectors of the community.

(2008-M-2 : § 1; 2004-M-61 : § 3; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.040 – St. Charles Emergency Management Agency

- A. There is hereby created an emergency management agency and a coordinator of the emergency management agency, herein called the “coordinator”, who shall be the head thereof.
- B. The coordinator, subject to the direction and control of the Fire Chief, shall be the executive head of the St. Charles Emergency Management Agency, and shall be responsible under the direction of the Fire Chief for carrying out the program for emergency services and disaster operations of this city. He shall coordinate the activities of all organizations for emergency services and disaster operations within this city and shall maintain liaison, and cooperate with, the civil defense and emergency management agencies and organizations of Kane County, other counties and municipalities, and of the federal and state government.

In the event of the absence, resignation, death, or inability to serve of the Coordinator or any person designated by the Fire Chief, shall be and act as Coordinator until a new appointment is made as provided in this Chapter.

- C. The St. Charles Emergency Management Agency shall take an integral part in the development and revision of the local emergency operations plan.
- D. In the development of the emergency operations plan, the St. Charles Emergency Management Agency shall interrelate with business, labor, industry, agriculture, civic and volunteer organizations, and community leaders.
- E. The St. Charles Emergency Management Agency is authorized to:
 - a. Determine the requirements of the city of St. Charles for food, clothing, and other necessities in the event of an emergency;
 - b. Develop an Emergency Operations Plan that meets the standards promulgated by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency;
 - c. Bi-annually review and revise the local Emergency Operations Plan;
 - d. Establish a register of persons with types of training and skills in emergency prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery;
 - e. Establish a register of government and private response resources available for use in a disaster;
 - f. Prepare, for issuance by the Mayor, Chapters, proclamations, and regulations as necessary or appropriate in coping with disasters;
 - g. Cooperate with the federal, state, and county government and any public or private agency or entity in achieving any purpose of this Chapter and in implementing programs for disaster prevention, preparation, response, and recovery.
 - h. Initiate and coordinate planning for the establishment of an emergency operating center;
 - i. Do all other things necessary, incidental, or appropriate for the implementation of this Chapter.

(2014-M-17 : § 2; 2008-M-2 : § 1; 2004-M-61 : § 4; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.050 – Emergency services and disaster powers of the Mayor

- A. The Fire Chief shall have the general direction and control of the emergency management agency and shall be responsible for the carrying out of the provisions of this Chapter.
- B. In performing his duties under this Chapter, the Mayor is authorized to cooperate with state and federal governments and with other municipalities and political subdivisions in all matters pertaining to emergency services and disaster operations defined in this Chapter.
- C. In performing his duties under this Chapter, the Mayor is further authorized:
 - 1. to make, amend, and rescind all lawful necessary orders, rules, and regulations of the local disaster plan to carry out the provisions of this Chapter within the limits of the authority conferred upon him.
 - 2. to cause to be prepared a comprehensive plan and program for the emergency management of this city which plan and program may be integrated into and coordinated with disaster plans of the state and federal governments and of other political subdivisions, and which plan and program may include:
 - a. prevention and minimization of injury and damage caused by disaster;
 - b. prompt and effective response to disaster;
 - c. emergency relief;
 - d. identification of areas particularly vulnerable to disasters;
 - e. recommendations for zoning, building, and other land-use controls, safety measures for securing permanent structures and other preventive and preparedness measures designed to eliminate or reduce disasters or their impact;
 - f. assistance to local officials in designing local emergency action plans;
 - g. authorization and procedures for the erection or other construction of temporary works designed to protect against or mitigate danger, damage, or loss from flood, conflagration or other disaster;
 - h. organization or municipal manpower and chains of command;
 - i. other necessary matters.
 - 3. in accordance with such plan and program for the emergency management of this City, and out of funds appropriated for such purposes, to procure and preposition supplies, medicines, materials, and equipment, to institute training programs and public information programs, and to take all other preparatory steps, including the partial or full mobilization of emergency services and disaster organizations in advance of actual disaster to insure the furnishing of adequately trained and equipped forces for disaster operations.
 - 4. out of funds appropriated for such purposes, to make such studies and surveys of the industries, resources, and facilities in this municipality as may be necessary to ascertain the capabilities of the City for the emergency management phases of preparedness, response, and recovery, and to plan for the most efficient emergency use thereof.
- D. The Fire Chief is authorized to designate space in a municipal building or elsewhere for the emergency management agency as its office.

(2014-M-17 : § 3; 2004-M-61 : § 5; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.060 – Financing

- A. It is the intent of the municipal council and declared to be the policy of the city that every effort shall be made to provide funds for disaster emergencies.
- B. It is the municipal council's intent that the first recourse shall be to funds regularly appropriated to the agency. If the Mayor finds that the demands placed upon these funds in coping with a particular disaster are unreasonably great, and the governor has proclaimed a disaster affecting the city, he may make application for funds from the state disaster relief fund. If monies available from the fund are insufficient, and if the Mayor finds that other sources of money to cope with the disaster are not available or are insufficient, he shall issue a call for an immediate session of the municipal council for the purpose of enacting Chapters as the council may deem necessary to transfer and expend monies appropriated for other purposes, or borrow monies from the United States government or other public or private sources. If less than a quorum of the members of the council is capable of convening in session to enact such Chapters for the transfer, expenditure, or loan of such monies, the Mayor is authorized to carry out those decisions until such time as a quorum of the council can convene.
- C. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to limit the Mayor's authority to apply for, administer, and expend grants, gifts, or payments in aid of disaster prevention, preparedness, response, or recover.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.070 – Local disaster emergencies

- A. A local disaster emergency may be declared only by the Mayor or municipal council. If declared by the Mayor, it shall not be continued for a period in excess of seven (7) days except by or with the consent of the municipal council. Any order or proclamation declaring, continuing, or terminating a local disaster emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity, and shall be filed promptly with the municipal clerk.
- B. The effect of a declaration of a local disaster emergency is to activate any and all applicable local emergency operations plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder.
- C. During a local disaster emergency, the Mayor may suspend the provisions of any municipal Chapter prescribing procedures for the conduct of municipal business, or the orders, rules, and regulations of any municipal agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any Chapter, rule, or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency, as authorized by "The Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act", provided that, if the municipal council meets at such time, the Mayor shall act subject to the directions and restrictions imposed by that body.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.080 – Testing of disaster warning devices

The testing of disaster warning devices including outdoor warning sirens shall be held only on the first Tuesday of each month at 10 o'clock in the morning in accordance with FEMA CPG 1-17 and Illinois 20 ILCS 3305/12.

(2008-M-2 : § 1; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.090 – Mutual aid arrangements between political subdivisions

The coordinator for emergency services and disaster operations may, in collaboration with other public agencies within his immediate vicinity, develop or cause to be developed mutual aid arrangements with other political subdivisions, municipal corporations, or bodies politic within this state for reciprocal disaster response and recovery in case a disaster is too great to be dealt with unassisted. The mutual aid shall not, however, be effective unless and until approved by each of such political subdivisions, municipal corporations, or bodies politic as are parties thereto, in the manner provided by law, and unless and until filed with and approved in writing by the state director. Such arrangements shall be consistent with the state and local emergency management operations plan and program, and in the event of such a disaster as described in 2.36.030, it shall be the duty of each local department for emergency services and disaster operations to render assistance in accordance with the provisions of such mutual aid arrangements.

(1994-M-26 : § 1; 1976-M-34 : (part); Prior code : § 9.405)

2.36.100 – Communications

The St. Charles Emergency Management Agency shall ascertain what means exist for rapid and efficient communications in times of disaster emergencies. The agency shall consider the desirability of supplementing these communications resources or of integrating them into a comprehensive system or network. In studying the character and feasibility of any system or its several parts, the agency shall evaluate the possibility of multipurpose use thereof for general municipal and local governmental purposes. The agency shall make recommendations to the Mayor as appropriate.

(2004-M-61 : § 6; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.110 – Immunity

Neither the city, the agency, or any member thereof or any person acting at their direction, engaged in any emergency services and disaster operations or disaster activities, while complying with or attempting to comply with this Chapter or any rule or regulations promulgated pursuant to this Chapter is liable for the death of or any injury to persons, or damage to property, as a result of such activity. This section does not, however, affect the right of any person to receive benefits to which he would otherwise be entitled under this act, under the Worker's Compensation Act or the Worker's Occupational Diseases Act, or under any law, and this section does not affect the right of any such person to receive any benefits or compensation under any act of Congress.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.120 – Profession, trades, and occupations

If such disaster as is described in this Chapter occurs in this city and the services of persons who are competent to practice any profession, trade, or occupation are required in this city to cope with the disaster situation, and it appears that the number of persons licensed or registered in this city to practice such profession, trade, or occupation may be insufficient for such purpose, then any persons who are licensed elsewhere to practice any such profession, trade, or occupation may, if a member of another political subdivision rendering aid in this city pursuant to the order of the head of that political subdivision and upon the request of the city, or if otherwise requested so to do by the Mayor or the coordinator of this city, during the time the disaster condition continues, practice such profession, trade, or occupation in this city without being licensed or registered in this city.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.130 – Appropriations and levy of tax for emergency services and disaster operations

The municipal council may make appropriations for emergency services and disaster operations in the manner provided by law for making appropriations for the ordinary expenses of such political subdivision. The council may also levy for emergency services and disaster operations a tax not to exceed .05 percent of the full, fair cash value as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue on all taxable property in the city for the current year. However, the amount collectible under such a levy shall in no event exceed twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per capita. The annual tax shall be in addition to and in excess of the amount authorized to be levied for general corporate purposes.

(1994-M-26 : § 1; 1976-M-34 : (part); Prior code : § 9.412)

2.36.140 – Authority to accept services, gifts, grants or loans

Whenever the federal or state governments, or any agency or officer thereof, or whenever any person, firm or corporation shall offer to the city services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds by way of gift or grant for purposes of emergency management, the city, acting through the Mayor or through its council, may accept such offer and upon such acceptance the Mayor or the council may authorize any officer of the city to receive such services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds on behalf of the city.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.150 – Orders, rules and regulations

- A. The Mayor shall file a copy of every rule, regulation, or order any amendment thereof made by him pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter in the office of the municipal clerk. No such rule, regulation, or order, or any amendment thereof, shall be effective until ten (10) days after such filing; provided, however, that upon the declaration of such a disaster emergency by the Mayor as is described in Section 7, the provision relating to the effective date of any rule, regulation, order, or amendment issued pursuant to this Chapter and during the state of such disaster emergency, is abrogated, and said rule, regulation, order, or amendment shall become effective immediately upon being filed with the municipal clerk, accompanied by a certificate stating the reason for the emergency.
- B. The St. Charles Emergency Management Agency established pursuant to this Chapter, and the coordinator thereof, shall execute and enforce such orders, rules, and regulations as may be made by the governor under authority of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. The St. Charles Emergency Management Agency shall have available for inspection at its office all orders, rules, and regulations made by the governor, or under this authority. The state Emergency Management Agency shall furnish such orders, rules, and regulations to the agency.

(2014-M-17 : § 4; 2004-M-61 : § 7; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.160 – Utilization of existing agency, facilities and personnel

In carrying out the provisions of the Chapter, the Fire Chief and the coordinator of the emergency management agency are directed to utilize the services, equipment, supplies, and facilities of existing departments, offices, and agencies of the city to the maximum extent practicable, and the officers and personnel of all such departments, offices, and agencies are directed, upon request, to cooperate with and extend such services and facilities to the coordinator and the emergency management agency.

(2014-M-17 : § 5; 2004-M-61 : § 8; 1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.170 – Severability

If any provision of this Chapter or the application thereof to any person or circumstances be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect such other provisions or applications of the Chapter which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Chapter are hereby declared to be severable.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.180 – No private liability

- A. Any person owning or controlling real estate or other premises who voluntarily and without compensation grants a license or privilege, or otherwise permits the designation or use of the whole or any part or parts of such real estate or premises for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual or impending disaster, or a mock or practice disaster response activity together with his successors in interest, if any, shall not be civilly liable for negligently causing the death of, or injury to, any person on or about such real estate or premises under such license, privilege, or other permission, or for negligently causing loss or damage to, the property of such person.
- B. Any private person, firm, or corporation and employees and agents of such person, firm, or corporation in the performance of a contract with, and under the direction of, the city under the provisions of this Chapter, shall not be civilly liable for causing the death of, or injury to, any person or damage to any property except in the event of willful misconduct.
- C. Any private person, firm, or corporation, and any employee or agency of such person, firm, or corporation, who renders assistance or advice at the request of the city, shall not be civilly liable for causing the death of, or injury to, any person or damage to any property except in the event of willful misconduct. The immunities provided in subsection (c) shall not apply to any private person, firm, or corporation, or to any employee or agent of such person, firm, or corporation whose act or omission caused in whole or in part such actual or impending disaster and who would otherwise be liable therefore.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.190 – Succession

In the event of the death, absence from St. Charles, or other disability of the Mayor preventing him from acting under this Chapter or for any other municipal purpose, and until the office is filled in the manner prescribed by law, the Mayor Pro-Tem shall succeed to the duties and responsibilities of the Mayor.

(1994-M-26 : § 1; 1976-M-34 : (part); Prior code : § 9.413)

2.36.200 – Compensation

The municipal council, by its annual appropriations Chapter, may provide for the payment of the salary of the coordinator and such other office staff and personnel as may be expressly provided for in the Chapter. Nothing herein contained shall prohibit any member of the agency from receiving compensation from the state of Illinois Emergency Management Agency under any provisions of that agency.

(1994-M-26 : § 1; 1976-M-34 : (part); Prior code : § 9.407)

2.36.210 – Deleted in its entirety

Deleted in its entirety.

(2008-M-2 : § 1; 2004-M-61 : § 9; 1994-M-26 : § 1; 1976-M-34 : (part); Prior code : § 9.410)

2.36.220 – Emergency termination or reduction of electrical service

- A. Declaration of emergency condition. When in the judgement of the Mayor or council, as provided herein in Section 7(a), a local disaster emergency requires the termination or reduction of electrical service, the Mayor or council shall forthwith declare in writing the existence of the emergency condition and order the termination or reduction.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.36.230 – Penalty

Any person convicted of violating this Chapter or any order thereunder shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$500.00.

(1994-M-26 : § 1)

2.38 – Elections

Sections

- 2.38.010 – Generally
- 2.38.020 – Fee for election judges
- 2.38.030 – Inauguration

2.38.010 – Generally

Elections for municipal offices shall be held as provided by statute, and at the time prescribed by statute.

(Prior code : § 10.705)

2.38.020 – Fee for election judges

The fee for election judges who are designated or appointed by the appropriate city official shall receive the fee of thirty-five dollars for his or her services as an election judge.

(1976-M-16)

2.38.030 – Inauguration

Commencing with the election of April 7, 1981, the newly elected officers of the city which have been duly elected shall be inaugurated at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities in the month of May following such election and following the proclamation of the results all pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-15.

(§ 8; 1981-M-9 : § 1)

2.40 – Notice Procedures - Township Assessors

Sections

- 2.40.010 – Applicability
- 2.40.020 – Building commissioner to file unexecuted certificate of occupancy with assessor
- 2.40.030 – Assessor's receipt - Contents - Filing by building owner or contractor
- 2.40.040 – Certificate of occupancy - Filing of assessor's receipt required before issuance
- 2.40.050 – Certificate of occupancy - Filing of certified copy required after issuance
- 2.40.060 – Multiple unit structures - Deemed occupied when

2.40.010 – Applicability

This chapter applies only to construction within the city which requires a certificate of occupancy before any new, reconstructed or remodeled building may be lawfully occupied.

(1976-M-2 : § 5)

2.40.020 – Building commissioner to file unexecuted certificate of occupancy with assessor

Prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy pursuant to the ordinances of the city, the building commissioner shall file an unexecuted certificate of occupancy with the township in which the building is located.

(1974-A-2 : § 1)

2.40.030 – Assessor's receipt - Contents - Filing by building owner or contractor

The owner, building contractor or other person responsible for the construction thereof shall cause to be filed with the city building commissioner a receipt from the township assessor, on a form prescribed by such assessor, showing that the unexecuted certificate of occupancy has been so filed and that the property is subject to increased assessment from the date of issue of the certificate of occupancy on a proportionate basis for the year in which the improvement was completed.

(1976-M-2 : § 2)

2.40.040 – Certificate of occupancy - Filing of assessor's receipt required before issuance

The building commissioner shall not issue a certificate of occupancy until the township assessor's receipt is so filed with the building commissioner.

(1976-M-2 : § 3)

2.40.050 – Certificate of occupancy - Filing of certified copy required after issuance

The building commissioner shall cause to be filed with the township assessor's office a certified copy of the certificate of occupancy after said certificate is issued.

(1976-M-2 : § 4)

2.40.060 – Multiple unit structures - Deemed occupied when

Multiple unit structures shall be deemed initially occupied or initially used when the first unit is occupied or used.

(1974-A-2 : § 6)

2.42 – Indemnification

Sections

2.42.010 – Actions and Claims Against City Employees

2.42.010 – Actions and Claims Against City Employees

- A. Definitions. Words and terms used in this section shall have the meanings ascribed to them by this section.
1. "Employee" includes an officer, member of a board, commission or committee, servant or employee of the city of St. Charles, whether or not compensated, but does not include an independent contractor.
 2. "Injury" means death, injury to a person, or damage to or loss of property. It includes any other injury that a person may suffer to his person, reputation, character or estate which does not result from circumstances in which a privilege is otherwise conferred by law and which is of such a nature that it would be actionable if inflicted by a private person.
- B. Defense of Actions, Payment of Judgments and Settlements. Pursuant to the provisions of 745 ILCS 10/2-302, the city of St. Charles hereby elects that in the event any claim or action is instituted against an employee or former employee of the city of St. Charles arising out of an act or omission occurring within the scope of his employment as such employee, except where the injury results from willful misconduct of the employee, the city of St. Charles shall appear and defend such employee against the claim or action, and pay any judgment based on such claim or action, or pay any compromise or settlement of such claim or action.

(1996-M-53 : § 9; 1986-M-23 : § 1)

2.44 – Ethics

Sections

2.44.010 – Adoption of Certain Provisions of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act

2.44.020 – Ethics Advisor

2.44.030 – Penalties

2.44.010 – Adoption of Certain Provisions of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act

- A. The provisions of Section 5-15 (5 ILCS 430/5-15) and Article 10 (5 ILCS 430/10-10 through 10-40) of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, 5 ILCS 430/1-1 et seq., (hereinafter referred to as the “Act” in this Chapter) are hereby adopted by reference and made applicable to the officers and employees of the City to the extent required by 5 ILCS 430/70-5. Three (3) copies of the Act are, and have been for not less than thirty (30) days prior to the enactment of this section, on file in the office of the City Clerk.
- B. The solicitation or acceptance of gifts prohibited to be solicited or accepted under the Act, by any officer or any employee of the City, is hereby prohibited.
- C. The offering or making of gifts prohibited to be offered or made to an officer or employee of the City under the Act, is hereby prohibited.
- D. The participation in political activities prohibited under the Act, by any officer or employee of the City, is hereby prohibited.
- E. For purposes of this Section, the terms “officer” and “employee” shall be defined as set forth in 5 ILCS 430/70-5(c).
- F. This Section does not repeal or otherwise amend or modify any existing ordinances or policies which regulate the conduct of City officers and employees. To the extent that any such existing ordinances or policies are less restrictive than this Section, however, the provisions of this Section shall prevail in accordance with the provisions of 5 ILCS 430/70-5(a).
- G. Any amendment to the Act that becomes effective after the effective date of this section shall be incorporated into this Section by reference and shall be applicable to the solicitation, acceptance, offering and making of gifts and to prohibited political activities. However, any amendment that makes its provisions optional for adoption by municipalities shall not be incorporated into this Section by reference without formal action by the corporate authorities of the City.
- H. If the Illinois Supreme Court declares the Act unconstitutional in its entirety, then this Section shall be repealed as of the date that the Illinois Supreme Court’s decision becomes final and not subject to any further appeals or re-hearings. This Section shall be deemed repealed without further action by the corporate authorities of the City if the Act is found unconstitutional by the Illinois Supreme Court.
- I. If the Illinois Supreme Court declares part of the Act unconstitutional but upholds the constitutionality of the remainder of the Act, or does not address the remainder of the Act, then the remainder of the Act as adopted by this Section shall remain in full force and effect; however, that part of this Section relating to the part of the Act found unconstitutional shall be deemed repealed without further action by the corporate authorities of the City.

(2007-M-78 : § 1; 2004-M-39 : § 1)

2.44.020 – Ethics Advisor

- A. The Mayor, with the advice and consent of the City Council, shall designate an Ethics Advisor for the City of St. Charles. The duties of the Ethics Advisor may be delegated to an officer or employee of the City of St. Charles unless the position has been created as an office by the City of St. Charles.
- B. The Ethics Advisor shall provide guidance to the officers and employees of the City of St. Charles concerning the interpretation of and compliance with the provisions of this Chapter and State ethics laws. The Ethics Advisor shall perform such other duties as may be delegated by the Mayor and City Council.

(2007-M-78 : § 1; 2004-M-39 : § 1)

2.44.030 – Penalties

- A. A person who intentionally violates any provision of Section 2.44.010 relating to prohibited political activities is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.
- B. A person who intentionally violates any provision of Section 2.44.010 relating to prohibited gifts is guilty of a business offense subject to a fine of at least \$1,001 and up to \$5,000.
- C. Any person who intentionally makes a false report alleging a violation of any provision of this Chapter to the local enforcement authorities, the State's Attorney or any other law enforcement official is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

(2007-M-78 : § 1; 2004-M-39 : § 1)

Title 2 - Administration and Personnel Footnotes

- 1. For statutory provisions on the functions and duties of city mayors, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-35-5; for provisions on elected officers generally, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-5 et seq.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 2. For statutory provisions on the city council, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-5 et seq.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 3. For statutory provisions on the functions and duties of city clerks, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-35-90.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 4. For statutory provisions on the functions and duties of city treasurers, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-35-40.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 5. For statutory provisions on appointive officers, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-30-5. Prior ordinance history: 1965-3, 1968-6, 1971-M-27, 1975-M-35.
(1996-M-53 : § 2; 1975-M-35 ; 1971-M-27 ; 1968-6 ; 1965-3)
- 6. Title 2, "Administration and Personnel," Chapter 2.14, "Board of Health," of the St. Charles Municipal code, was repealed in its entirety, and in lieu thereof the new chapter 2.14, "Boards and Commissions," was added (Ord. 2012-M-46). For statutory provisions on local boards of health, see 65 ILCS 5/11-16-1.
(2012-M-46)
- 7. For statutory provisions on local boards of improvement, see 65 ILCS 5/9-2-7.
(1996-M-53 : § 2; 2012-M-46 : § 3)
- 8. For statutory provisions on local zoning boards of appeal, see 65 ILCS 5/11-13-3.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 9. For statutory provisions on firemen's pension fund boards, see 40 ILCS 5/4-121.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 10. For statutory provisions on police pension fund boards, see 40 ILCS 5/3-128.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 11. For statutory provisions on boards of fire and police commissioners, see 65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-1 et seq.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 12. For statutory provisions on establishment and powers of local plan commissions, see 65 ILCS 5/11-12-4 et seq.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 13. For statutory provisions authorizing cities to create and maintain fire departments, see 65 ILCS 5/11-6-1.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 14. For statutory provisions on appointment of members of the police department, see 65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-4; for provisions on the duties of city marshals, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-35-140; for provisions authorizing the appointment of auxiliary policemen, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-30-20; for provisions on the powers of conservators of the peace, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1 et seq.
(1965-31 ; 1965-51 ; 1966-14 ; 1969-M-5 ; 1970-M-18 ; 1972-M-37 ; 1974-M-3 ; 1974-M-24 ; 1975-M-13 ; 1976-M-50 ; 1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 15. For statutory provisions of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, see 20 ILCS 3305/1 et seq.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 16. For statutory provisions on the election of officers, see 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-10, 5/3.1-10-15.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 17. For statutory provisions on assessment officers, see 35 ILCS 200/2-45.
(1996-M-53 : § 2)
- 18. For statutory provisions on indemnification, see 745 ILCS 10/2-302.

(1996-M-53 : § 2)