

**CODE OF ORDINANCES**  
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# CHAPTER 1

## CODE OF ORDINANCES

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**1.01 TITLE.** This code of ordinances shall be known and may be cited as the Code of Ordinances of the City of Frederika, Iowa.

**1.02 DEFINITIONS.** Where words and phrases used in this Code of Ordinances are defined in the *Code of Iowa*, such definitions apply to their use in this Code of Ordinances unless such construction would be inconsistent with the manifest intent of the Council or repugnant to the context of the provision. Other words and phrases used herein have the following meanings, unless specifically defined otherwise in another portion of this Code of Ordinances or unless such construction would be inconsistent with the manifest intent of the Council or repugnant to the context of the provision:

1. “Alley” means a public right-of-way, other than a street, affording secondary means of access to abutting property.
2. “City” means the City of Frederika, Iowa.
3. “Clerk” means the city clerk of Frederika, Iowa.
4. “Code” means the specific chapter of this Code of Ordinances in which a specific subject is covered and bears a descriptive title word (such as the Building Code and/or a standard code adopted by reference).
5. “Code of Ordinances” means the Code of Ordinances of the City of Frederika, Iowa.
6. “Council” means the city council of Frederika, Iowa.
7. “County” means Bremer County, Iowa.
8. “May” confers a power.
9. “Measure” means an ordinance, amendment, resolution or motion.
10. “Must” states a requirement.
11. “Occupant” or “tenant,” applied to a building or land, includes any person who occupies the whole or a part of such building or land, whether alone or with others.
12. “Ordinances” means the ordinances of the City of Frederika, Iowa, as embodied in this Code of Ordinances, ordinances not repealed by the ordinance adopting this Code of Ordinances, and those enacted hereafter.
13. “Person” means an individual, firm, partnership, domestic or foreign corporation, company, association or joint stock association, trust or other legal entity,

and includes a trustee, receiver, assignee, or similar representative thereof, but does not include a governmental body.

14. “Public way” includes any street, alley, boulevard, parkway, highway, sidewalk, or other public thoroughfare.

15. “Shall” imposes a duty.

16. “Sidewalk” means that surfaced portion of the street between the edge of the traveled way, surfacing, or curb line and the adjacent property line, intended for the use of pedestrians.

17. “State” means the State of Iowa.

18. “Statutes” or “laws” means the latest edition of the *Code of Iowa*, as amended.

19. “Street” or “highway” means the entire width between property lines of every way or place of whatever nature when any part thereof is open to the use of the public, as a matter of right, for purposes of vehicular traffic.

Words that are not defined in this Code of Ordinances or by the *Code of Iowa* have their ordinary meaning unless such construction would be inconsistent with the manifest intent of the Council, or repugnant to the context of the provision.

**1.03 CITY POWERS.** The City may, except as expressly limited by the Iowa Constitution, and if not inconsistent with the laws of the Iowa General Assembly, exercise any power and perform any function it deems appropriate to protect and preserve the rights, privileges, and property of the City and of its residents, and to preserve and improve the peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of its residents, and each and every provision of this Code of Ordinances shall be deemed to be in the exercise of the foregoing powers and the performance of the foregoing functions.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.1)*

**1.04 INDEMNITY.** The applicant for any permit or license under this Code of Ordinances, by making such application, assumes and agrees to pay for any injury to or death of any person or persons whomsoever, and any loss of or damage to property whatsoever, including all costs and expenses incident thereto, however arising from or related to, directly, indirectly, or remotely, the issuance of the permit or license, or the doing of anything thereunder, or the failure of such applicant, or the agents, employees, or servants of such applicant, to abide by or comply with any of the provisions of this Code of Ordinances or the terms and conditions of such permit or license, and such applicant, by making such application, forever agrees to indemnify the City and its officers, agents, and employees, and agrees to save them harmless from any and all claims, demands, lawsuits, or liability whatsoever for any loss, damage, injury, or death, including all costs and expenses incident thereto, by reason of the foregoing. The provisions of this section shall be deemed to be a part of any permit or license issued under this Code of Ordinances or any other ordinance of the City, whether expressly recited therein or not.

**1.05 PERSONAL INJURIES.** When action is brought against the City for personal injuries alleged to have been caused by its negligence, the City may notify in writing any person by whose negligence it claims the injury was caused. The notice shall state the pendency of the action, the name of the plaintiff, the name and location of the court where the action is pending, a brief statement of the alleged facts from which the cause arose, that the City believes that the person notified is liable to it for any judgment rendered against the City, and asking the person to appear and defend. A judgment obtained in the suit is conclusive in any action by the City against any person so notified, as to the existence of the defect or other cause of the injury or

damage, as to the liability of the City to the plaintiff in the first named action, and as to the amount of the damage or injury. The City may maintain an action against the person notified to recover the amount of the judgment together with all the expenses incurred by the City in the suit.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.14)*

**1.06 RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.** In the construction of this Code of Ordinances, the rules of statutory construction as set forth in Chapter 4 of the *Code of Iowa* shall be utilized to ascertain the intent of the Council, with the understanding that the term “statute” as used therein will be deemed to be synonymous with the term “ordinance” when applied to this Code of Ordinances.

**1.07 EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY.** Whenever an officer or employee is required or authorized to do an act by a provision of this Code of Ordinances, the provision shall be construed as authorizing performance by a regular assistant, subordinate, or a duly authorized designee of said officer or employee.

**1.08 AMENDMENTS.** All ordinances that amend, repeal, or in any manner affect this Code of Ordinances shall include proper reference to chapter, section, subsection, or paragraph to maintain an orderly codification of ordinances of the City.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.2)*

**1.09 CATCHLINES AND NOTES.** The catchlines of the several sections of this Code of Ordinances, titles, headings (chapter, section and subsection), editor’s notes, cross references, and State law references, unless set out in the body of the section itself, contained in this Code of Ordinances, do not constitute any part of the law and are intended merely to indicate, explain, supplement, or clarify the contents of a section.

**1.10 ALTERING CODE.** It is unlawful for any unauthorized person to change or amend, by additions or deletions, any part or portion of this Code of Ordinances, or to insert or delete pages, or portions thereof, or to alter or tamper with this Code of Ordinances in any manner that will cause the law of the City to be misrepresented.

**1.11 SEVERABILITY.** If any section, provision, or part of this Code of Ordinances is adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication will not affect the validity of this Code of Ordinances as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**1.12 WARRANTS.** If consent to enter upon or inspect any building, structure, or property pursuant to a municipal ordinance is withheld by any person having the lawful right to exclude, the City officer or employee having the duty to enter upon or conduct the inspection may apply to the Iowa District Court in and for the County, pursuant to Section 808.14 of the *Code of Iowa*, for an administrative search warrant. No owner, operator or occupant, or any other person having charge, care, or control of any dwelling unit, rooming unit, structure, building, or premises shall fail or neglect, after presentation of a search warrant, to permit entry therein by the municipal officer or employee.

**1.13 GENERAL STANDARDS FOR ACTION.** Whenever this Code of Ordinances grants any discretionary power to the Council or any commission, board, or officer or employee of the City and does not specify standards to govern the exercise of the power, the power shall be exercised in light of the following standard: The discretionary power to grant, deny, or

revoke any matter shall be considered in light of the facts and circumstances then existing and as may be reasonably foreseeable, and due consideration shall be given to the impact upon the public health, safety and welfare, and the decision shall be that of a reasonably prudent person under similar circumstances in the exercise of the police power.

**1.14 STANDARD PENALTY.** Unless another penalty is expressly provided by this Code of Ordinances for violation of any particular provision, section, or chapter, any person failing to perform a duty required by this Code of Ordinances or otherwise violating any provision of this Code of Ordinances or any rule or regulation adopted herein by reference shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of at least \$105.00 but not to exceed \$855.00. The court may order imprisonment not to exceed 30 days in lieu of a fine or in addition to a fine.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.3[2] and 903.1[1a])*

*(Section 1.14 – Ord. 2020-5 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

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## CHAPTER 2

# CHARTER

2.01 Title  
2.02 Form of Government  
2.03 Powers and Duties of City Officers

2.04 Number and Term of Council  
2.05 Term of Mayor  
2.06 Copies on File

**2.01 TITLE.** This chapter may be cited as the charter of the City of Frederika, Iowa.<sup>†</sup>

**2.02 FORM OF GOVERNMENT.** The form of government of the City is the Mayor-Council form of government.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)*

**2.03 POWERS AND DUTIES OF CITY OFFICERS.** The Council and Mayor and other City officers have such powers and shall perform such duties as are authorized or required by State law and by the ordinances, resolutions, rules, and regulations of the City.

**2.04 NUMBER AND TERM OF COUNCIL.** The Council consists of five Council Members elected at large for overlapping terms of four years.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.2)*

**2.05 TERM OF MAYOR.** The Mayor is elected for a term of two years.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.2)*

**2.06 COPIES ON FILE.** The Clerk shall keep an official copy of the charter on file with the official records of the Clerk and the Secretary of State, and shall keep copies of the charter available at the Clerk's office for public inspection.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.1)*

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<sup>†</sup> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Ordinance No. 73-8-1 adopting a charter for the City was passed and approved by the Council on July 1, 1975.

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## CHAPTER 3

# MUNICIPAL INFRACTIONS

3.01 Municipal Infraction  
3.02 Environmental Violation  
3.03 Penalties

3.04 Civil Citations  
3.05 Alternative Relief  
3.06 Alternative Penalties

**3.01 MUNICIPAL INFRACTION.** A violation of this Code of Ordinances or any ordinance or code herein adopted by reference or the omission or failure to perform any act or duty required by the same, with the exception of those provisions specifically provided under State law as a felony, an aggravated misdemeanor, or a serious misdemeanor, or a simple misdemeanor under Chapters 687 through 747 of the *Code of Iowa*, is a municipal infraction punishable by civil penalty as provided herein.<sup>†</sup>

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.22[3])*

**3.02 ENVIRONMENTAL VIOLATION.** A municipal infraction that is a violation of Chapter 455B of the *Code of Iowa* or of a standard established by the City in consultation with the Department of Natural Resources, or both, may be classified as an environmental violation. However, the provisions of this section shall not be applicable until the City has offered to participate in informal negotiations regarding the violation or to the following specific violations:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.22[1])*

1. A violation arising from noncompliance with a pretreatment standard or requirement referred to in 40 C.F.R. §403.8.
2. The discharge of airborne residue from grain, created by the handling, drying, or storing of grain, by a person not engaged in the industrial production or manufacturing of grain products.
3. The discharge of airborne residue from grain, created by the handling, drying, or storing of grain, by a person engaged in such industrial production or manufacturing if such discharge occurs from September 15 to January 15.

**3.03 PENALTIES.** A municipal infraction is punishable by the following civil penalties:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.22[1])*

1. Standard Civil Penalties.
  - A. First offense – not to exceed \$750.00
  - B. Each repeat offense – not to exceed \$1,000.00

Each day that a violation occurs or is permitted to exist constitutes a repeat offense.

2. Special Civil Penalties.
  - A. A municipal infraction arising from noncompliance with a pretreatment standard or requirement, referred to in 40 C.F.R. §403.8, by an industrial user is punishable by a penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 for each day a violation exists or continues.

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<sup>†</sup> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** For criminal penalty for violations of this Code of Ordinances, see Section 1.14.

B. A municipal infraction classified as an environmental violation is punishable by a penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 for each occurrence. However, an environmental violation is not subject to such penalty if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) The violation results solely from conducting an initial startup, cleaning, repairing, performing scheduled maintenance, testing, or conducting a shutdown of either equipment causing the violation or the equipment designed to reduce or eliminate the violation.
- (2) The City is notified of the violation within 24 hours from the time that the violation begins.
- (3) The violation does not continue in existence for more than eight hours.

**3.04 CIVIL CITATIONS.** Any officer authorized by the City to enforce this Code of Ordinances may issue a civil citation to a person who commits a municipal infraction. A copy of the citation may be served by personal service as provided in Rule of Civil Procedure 1.305, by certified mail addressed to the defendant at defendant's last known mailing address, return receipt requested, or by publication in the manner as provided in Rule of Civil Procedure 1.310 and subject to the conditions of Rule of Civil Procedure 1.311. A copy of the citation shall be retained by the issuing officer, and the original citation shall be sent to the Clerk of the District Court. The citation shall serve as notification that a civil offense has been committed and shall contain the following information:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.22[4])*

1. The name and address of the defendant.
2. The name or description of the infraction attested to by the officer issuing the citation.
3. The location and time of the infraction.
4. The amount of civil penalty to be assessed or the alternative relief sought, or both.
5. The manner, location, and time in which the penalty may be paid.
6. The time and place of court appearance.
7. The penalty for failure to appear in court.
8. The legal description of the affected real property, if applicable.

If the citation affects real property and charges a violation relating to the condition of the property, including a building code violation, a local housing regulation violation, a housing code violation, or a public health or safety violation, after filing the citation with the Clerk of the District Court, the City shall also file the citation in the office of the County Treasurer.

**3.05 ALTERNATIVE RELIEF.** Seeking a civil penalty as authorized in this chapter does not preclude the City from seeking alternative relief from the court in the same action. Such alternative relief may include, but is not limited to, an order for abatement or injunctive relief.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.22[8])*

**3.06 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES.** This chapter does not preclude a peace officer from issuing a criminal citation for a violation of this Code of Ordinances or regulation if criminal

penalties are also provided for the violation. Nor does it preclude or limit the authority of the City to enforce the provisions of this Code of Ordinances by criminal sanctions or other lawful means.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.22[11])*

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## CHAPTER 5

# OPERATING PROCEDURES

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5.02 Bonds  
5.03 Powers and Duties  
5.04 Books and Records  
5.05 Transfer to Successor  
5.06 Meetings

5.07 Conflict of Interest  
5.08 Resignations  
5.09 Removal of Appointed Officers and Employees  
5.10 Vacancies  
5.11 Gifts

**5.01 OATHS.** The oath of office shall be required and administered in accordance with the following:

1. **Qualify for Office.** Each elected or appointed officer shall qualify for office by taking the prescribed oath and by giving, when required, a bond. The oath shall be taken, and bond provided, after such officer is certified as elected but not later than noon of the first day that is not a Sunday or a legal holiday in January of the first year of the term for which the officer was elected.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 63.1)*

2. **Prescribed Oath.** The prescribed oath is: “I, (name), do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Iowa, and that I will faithfully and impartially, to the best of my ability, discharge all duties of the office of (name of office) in Frederika as now or hereafter required by law.”

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 63.10)*

3. **Officers Empowered to Administer Oaths.** The following are empowered to administer oaths and to take affirmations in any matter pertaining to the business of their respective offices:

- A. Mayor
- B. City Clerk
- C. Members of all boards, commissions, or bodies created by law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 63A.2)*

**5.02 BONDS.** Surety bonds are provided in accordance with the following:

1. **Required.** The Council shall provide by resolution for a surety bond or blanket position bond running to the City and covering the Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, and such other officers and employees as may be necessary and advisable.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 64.13)*

2. **Bonds Approved.** Bonds shall be approved by the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 64.19)*

3. **Bonds Filed.** All bonds, after approval and proper record, shall be filed with the Clerk.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 64.23[6])*

4. Record. The Clerk shall keep a book, to be known as the “Record of Official Bonds” in which shall be recorded the official bonds of all City officers, elective or appointive.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 64.24[3])*

**5.03 POWERS AND DUTIES.** Each municipal officer shall exercise the powers and perform the duties prescribed by law and this Code of Ordinances, or as otherwise directed by the Council unless contrary to State law or City charter.

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

**5.04 BOOKS AND RECORDS.** All books and records required to be kept by law or ordinance shall be open to examination by the public upon request, unless some other provisions of law expressly limit such right or require such records to be kept confidential. Access to public records that are combined with data processing software shall be in accordance with policies and procedures established by the City.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 22.2 & 22.3A)*

**5.05 TRANSFER TO SUCCESSOR.** Each officer shall transfer to his or her successor in office all books, papers, records, documents and property in the officer’s custody and appertaining to that office.

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

**5.06 MEETINGS.** All meetings of the Council, any board or commission, or any multi-membered body formally and directly created by any of the foregoing bodies shall be held in accordance with the following:

1. Notice of Meetings. Reasonable notice, as defined by State law, of the time, date, and place of each meeting and its tentative agenda shall be given.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 21.4)*

2. Meetings Open. All meetings shall be held in open session unless closed sessions are held as expressly permitted by State law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 21.3)*

3. Minutes. Minutes shall be kept of all meetings showing the date, time and place, the members present, and the action taken at each meeting. The minutes shall show the results of each vote taken and information sufficient to indicate the vote of each member present. The vote of each member present shall be made public at the open session. The minutes shall be public records open to public inspection.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 21.3)*

4. Closed Session. A closed session may be held only by affirmative vote of either two-thirds of the body or all of the members present at the meeting and in accordance with Chapter 21 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 21.5)*

5. Cameras and Recorders. The public may use cameras or recording devices at any open session.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 21.7)*

6. Electronic Meetings. A meeting may be conducted by electronic means only in circumstances where such a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and then only in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 21 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 21.8)*

**5.07 CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** A City officer or employee shall not have an interest, direct or indirect, in any contract or job of work or material or the profits thereof or services to be furnished or performed for the City, unless expressly permitted by law. A contract entered into in violation of this section is void. The provisions of this section do not apply to:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5)*

1. Compensation of Officers. The payment of lawful compensation of a City officer or employee holding more than one City office or position, the holding of which is not incompatible with another public office or is not prohibited by law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3a])*

2. Investment of Funds. The designation of a bank or trust company as a depository, paying agent, or for investment of funds.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3b])*

3. City Treasurer. An employee of a bank or trust company, who serves as Treasurer of the City.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3c])*

4. Stock Interests. Contracts in which a City officer or employee has an interest solely by reason of employment, or a stock interest of the kind described in Subsection 8 of this section, or both, if the contracts are made by competitive bid in writing, publicly invited and opened, or if the remuneration of employment will not be directly affected as a result of the contract and the duties of employment do not directly involve the procurement or preparation of any part of the contract. The competitive bid qualification of this subsection does not apply to a contract for professional services not customarily awarded by competitive bid.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3e])*

5. Newspaper. The designation of an official newspaper.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3f])*

6. Existing Contracts. A contract in which a City officer or employee has an interest if the contract was made before the time the officer or employee was elected or appointed, but the contract may not be renewed.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3g])*

7. Volunteers. Contracts with volunteer firefighters or civil defense volunteers.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3h])*

8. Corporations. A contract with a corporation in which a City officer or employee has an interest by reason of stock holdings when less than five percent of the outstanding stock of the corporation is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the officer or employee or the spouse or immediate family of such officer or employee.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3i])*

9. Contracts. Contracts made by the City upon competitive bid in writing, publicly invited and opened.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3d])*

10. Cumulative Purchases. Contracts not otherwise permitted by this section, for the purchase of goods or services that benefit a City officer or employee, if the purchases benefiting that officer or employee do not exceed a cumulative total purchase price of \$6000.00 in a fiscal year.

*(Ord. 2019-6 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3j])*

11. Franchise Agreements. Franchise agreements between the City and a utility and contracts entered into by the City for the provision of essential City utility services.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3l])*

12. Third Party Contracts. A contract that is a bond, note or other obligation of the City and the contract is not acquired directly from the City but is acquired in a transaction with a third party who may or may not be the original underwriter, purchaser, or obligee of the contract.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.5[3m])*

**5.08 RESIGNATIONS.** An elected officer who wishes to resign may do so by submitting a resignation in writing to the Clerk so that it shall be properly recorded and considered. A person who resigns from an elective office is not eligible for appointment to the same office during the time for which the person was elected if, during that time, the compensation of the office has been increased.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[9])*

**5.09 REMOVAL OF APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.** Except as otherwise provided by State or City law, all persons appointed to City office or employment may be removed by the officer or body making the appointment, but every such removal shall be by written order. The order shall give the reasons, be filed in the office of the Clerk, and a copy shall be sent by certified mail to the person removed, who, upon request filed with the Clerk within 30 days after the date of mailing the copy, shall be granted a public hearing before the Council on all issues connected with the removal. The hearing shall be held within 30 days after the date the request is filed, unless the person removed requests a later date.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.15)*

**5.10 VACANCIES.** A vacancy in an elective City office during a term of office shall be filled in accordance with Section 372.13[2] of the *Code of Iowa*.

**5.11 GIFTS.** Except as otherwise provided in Chapter 68B of the *Code of Iowa*, a public official, public employee or candidate, or that person's immediate family member, shall not, directly or indirectly, accept or receive any gift or series of gifts from a "restricted donor" as defined in Chapter 68B and a restricted donor shall not, directly or indirectly, individually or jointly with one or more other restricted donors, offer or make a gift or a series of gifts to a public official, public employee, or candidate.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 68B.22)*

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## CHAPTER 6

# CITY ELECTIONS

**6.01 Nominating Method to Be Used**  
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**6.04 Preparation of Petition and Affidavit**  
**6.05 Filing; Presumption; Withdrawals; Objections**  
**6.06 Persons Elected**

**6.01 NOMINATING METHOD TO BE USED.** All candidates for elective municipal offices shall be nominated under the provisions of Chapter 45 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.3)*

**6.02 NOMINATIONS BY PETITION.** Nominations for elective municipal offices of the City may be made by nomination paper or papers signed by not less than 10 eligible electors, residents of the City.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 45.1)*

**6.03 ADDING NAME BY PETITION.** The name of a candidate placed upon the ballot by any other method than by petition shall not be added by petition for the same office.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 45.2)*

**6.04 PREPARATION OF PETITION AND AFFIDAVIT.** Nomination papers shall include a petition and an affidavit of candidacy. The petition and affidavit shall be substantially in the form prescribed by the State Commissioner of Elections, shall include information required by the *Code of Iowa*, and shall be signed in accordance with the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 45.3, 45.5 & 45.6)*

**6.05 FILING; PRESUMPTION; WITHDRAWALS; OBJECTIONS.** The time and place of filing nomination petitions, the presumption of validity thereof, the right of a candidate so nominated to withdraw and the effect of such withdrawal, and the right to object to the legal sufficiency of such petitions, or to the eligibility of the candidate, shall be governed by the appropriate provisions of Chapter 44 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 45.4)*

**6.06 PERSONS ELECTED.** The candidates who receive the greatest number of votes for each office on the ballot are elected, to the extent necessary to fill the positions open.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.8[3])*

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## CHAPTER 7

# FISCAL MANAGEMENT

7.01 Purpose  
7.02 Finance Officer  
7.03 Cash Control  
7.04 Fund Control

7.05 Operating Budget Preparation  
7.06 Budget Amendments  
7.07 Accounting  
7.08 Financial Reports

**7.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish policies and provide for rules and regulations governing the management of the financial affairs of the City.

**7.02 FINANCE OFFICER.** The Clerk is the finance and accounting officer of the City and is responsible for the administration of the provisions of this chapter.

**7.03 CASH CONTROL.** To assure the proper accounting and safe custody of moneys the following shall apply:

1. Deposit of Funds. All moneys or fees collected for any purpose by any City officer shall be deposited through the office of the finance officer. If any said fees are due to an officer, they shall be paid to the officer by check drawn by the finance officer and approved by the Council only upon such officer's making adequate reports relating thereto as required by law, ordinance, or Council directive.

2. Deposits and Investments. All moneys belonging to the City shall be promptly deposited in depositories selected by the Council in amounts not exceeding the authorized depository limitation established by the Council or invested in accordance with the City's written investment policy and State law, including joint investments as authorized by Section 384.21 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.21, 12B.10, 12C.1)*

**7.04 FUND CONTROL.** There shall be established and maintained separate and distinct funds in accordance with the following:

1. Revenues. All moneys received by the City shall be credited to the proper fund as required by law, ordinance, or resolution.

2. Expenditures. No disbursement shall be made from a fund unless such disbursement is authorized by law, ordinance, or resolution, was properly budgeted, and supported by a claim approved by the Council.

3. Emergency Fund. No transfer may be made from any fund to the Emergency Fund.

*(IAC, 545-2.5[384,388], Sec. 2.5[2])*

4. Debt Service Fund. Except where specifically prohibited by State law, moneys may be transferred from any other City fund to the Debt Service Fund to meet payments of principal and interest. Such transfers must be authorized by the original budget or a budget amendment.

*(IAC, 545-2.5[384,388] Sec. 2.5[3])*

5. Capital Improvements Reserve Fund. Except where specifically prohibited by State law, moneys may be transferred from any City fund to the Capital Improvements

Reserve Fund. Such transfers must be authorized by the original budget or a budget amendment.

*(IAC, 545-2.5[384,388] Sec. 2.5[4])*

6. Utility and Enterprise Funds. A surplus in a Utility or Enterprise Fund may be transferred to any other City fund, except the Emergency Fund, by resolution of the Council. A surplus may exist only after all required transfers have been made to any restricted accounts in accordance with the terms and provisions of any revenue bonds or loan agreements relating to the Utility or Enterprise Fund. A surplus is defined as the cash balance in the operating account or the unrestricted net position calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, after adding back the net pension and other postemployment benefits, liabilities, and the related deferred inflows of resources and deducting the related deferred outflows of resources, in excess of:

A. The amount of the expenses of disbursements for operating and maintaining the utility or enterprise for the preceding three months; and

B. The amount necessary to make all required transfers to restricted accounts for the succeeding three months.

*(IAC, 545-2.5[384,388], Sec. 2.5[5])*

7. Balancing of Funds. Fund accounts shall be reconciled at the close of each month and a report thereof submitted to the Council.

**7.05 OPERATING BUDGET PREPARATION.** The annual operating budget of the City shall be prepared in accordance with the following:

1. Proposal Prepared. The finance officer is responsible for preparation of the annual budget detail, for review by the Mayor and Council and adoption by the Council in accordance with directives of the Mayor and Council.

2. Boards and Commissions. All boards, commissions, and other administrative agencies of the City that are authorized to prepare and administer budgets must submit their budget proposals to the finance officer for inclusion in the proposed City budget at such time and in such form as required by the Council.

3. Submission to Council. The finance officer shall submit the completed budget proposal to the Council each year at such time as directed by the Council.

4. Resolution Establishing Maximum Property Tax Dollars. The Council shall adopt a resolution establishing the total maximum property tax dollars that may be certified for tax levy that includes taxes for City government purposes under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.1, for the City trust and agency fund under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.6, Subsection 1, for the City's emergency fund under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.8, and for the levies authorized under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.12, Subsections 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, and 21, but excluding additions approved at election under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.12, Subsection 19.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.15A)*

A. The Council shall set a time and place for a public hearing on the resolution before the date for adoption of the resolution and shall publish notice of the hearing not less than 10 nor more than 20 days prior to the hearing in a newspaper published at least once weekly and having general circulation in the City.

B. If the City has an internet site, the notice shall also be posted and clearly identified on the City's internet site for public viewing beginning on the date of the newspaper publications or public posting, as applicable. Additionally, if the City maintains a social media account on one or more social media applications, the public hearing notice or an electronic link to the social media applications, public hearing notice or an electronic link to the public hearing notice shall be posted on each such account on the same day as the publication of the notice. All of the following shall be included in the notice:

(1) The sum of the current fiscal year's actual property taxes certified for levy under the levies specified in this subsection and the current fiscal year's combined property tax levy rate for such amount that is applicable to taxable property in the City other than property used and assessed for agricultural or horticultural purposes.

(2) The effective tax rate calculated using the sum of the current fiscal year's actual property taxes certified for levy under the levies specified in this subsection, applicable to taxable property in the City other than property used and assessed for agricultural or horticultural purposes.

(3) The sum of the proposed maximum property tax dollars that may be certified for levy for the budget year under the levies specified in this subsection and the proposed combined property tax levy rate for such amount applicable to taxable property in the City other than property used and assessed for agricultural or horticultural purposes.

(4) If the proposed maximum property tax dollars specified under Subparagraph (3) exceed the current fiscal year's actual property tax dollars certified for levy specified in Subparagraph (1), a statement of major reasons for the increase.

Proof of publication shall be filed with and preserved by the County Auditor. The Department of Management shall prescribe the form for the public hearing notice for cities and the form for the resolution to be adopted by the Council under Paragraph C of this subsection.

C. At the public hearing, the Council shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of the City. After all objections have been received and considered, the Council may decrease, but not increase, the proposed maximum property tax dollar amount for inclusion in the resolution and shall adopt the resolution and file the resolution with the County Auditor as required under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.16, Subsection 3.

D. If the sum of the maximum property tax dollars for the budget year specified in the resolution under the levies specified in this specification exceeds 102 percent of the sum of the current fiscal year's actual property taxes certified for levy under the levies specified in this subsection, the Council shall be required to adapt the resolution by a two-thirds majority of the membership of the Council.

E. If the City has an internet site, in addition to filing the resolution with the Auditor under *Code of Iowa* Section 384.16, Subsection 3, the adopted resolution shall be posted and clearly identified on the City's internet site for

public viewing on the internet site along with resolutions posted for all subsequent budget years.

5. Council Review. The Council shall review the proposed budget and may make any adjustments it deems appropriate in the budget before accepting such proposal for publication, hearing, and final adoption.

6. Notice of Hearing. Following, and not until adoption of the resolution required under Subsection 4 of this section, the Council shall set a time and place for a public hearing on the budget to be held before March 31 and shall publish notice of the hearing not less than 10 nor more than 20 days before the hearing. A summary of the proposed budget and a description of the procedure for protesting the City budget under Section 384.19 of the *Code of Iowa*, in the form prescribed by the Director of the Department of Management, shall be included in the notice. Proof of publication of the notice under this subsection and a copy of the resolution adopted under Subsection 4 of this section must be filed with the County Auditor.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.16[3])*

7. Copies of Budget on File. Not less than 20 days before the date that the budget must be certified to the County Auditor and not less than 10 days before the public hearing, the Clerk shall make a sufficient number of copies of the detailed budget to meet the requests of taxpayers and organizations, and have them available for distribution at the offices of the Mayor and Clerk and City library.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.16[3])*

8. Adoption and Certification. After the hearing, the Council shall adopt, by resolution, a budget for at least the next fiscal year and the Clerk shall certify the necessary tax levy for the next fiscal year to the County Auditor and the County Board of Supervisors. The tax levy certified may be less than, but not more than, the amount estimated in the proposed budget submitted at the final hearing or the applicable amount specified in the resolution adopted under Subsection 4 of this section. Two copies each of the detailed budget as adopted and of the tax certificate must be transmitted to the County Auditor.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.16[5])*

*(Section 7.05 – Ord. 2019-7 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**7.06 BUDGET AMENDMENTS.** A City budget finally adopted for the following fiscal year becomes effective July 1 and constitutes the City appropriation for each program and purpose specified therein until amended as provided by this section.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.18)*

1. Program Increase. Any increase in the amount appropriated to a program must be prepared, adopted, and subject to protest in the same manner as the original budget.

*(IAC, 545-2.2[384, 388])*

2. Program Transfer. Any transfer of appropriation from one program to another must be prepared, adopted, and subject to protest in the same manner as the original budget.

*(IAC, 545-2.3[384, 388])*

3. Activity Transfer. Any transfer of appropriation from one activity to another activity within a program must be approved by resolution of the Council.

*(IAC, 545-2.4[384, 388])*

4. Administrative Transfers. The finance officer shall have the authority to adjust, by transfer or otherwise, the appropriations allocated within a specific activity without prior Council approval.

*(IAC, 545-2.4[384, 388])*

**7.07 ACCOUNTING.** The accounting records of the City shall consist of not less than the following:

1. Books of Original Entry. There shall be established and maintained books of original entry to provide a chronological record of cash received and disbursed.
2. General Ledger. There shall be established and maintained a general ledger controlling all cash transactions, budgetary accounts and for recording unappropriated surpluses.
3. Checks. Checks shall be prenumbered and signed by the Clerk following Council approval, except as provided by subsection 5 hereof.
4. Budget Accounts. There shall be established such individual accounts to record receipts by source and expenditures by program and activity as will provide adequate information and control for budgeting purposes as planned and approved by the Council. Each individual account shall be maintained within its proper fund and so kept that receipts can be immediately and directly compared with revenue estimates and expenditures can be related to the authorizing appropriation. No expenditure shall be posted except to the appropriation for the function and purpose for which the expense was incurred.
5. Immediate Payment Authorized. The Council may by resolution authorize the Clerk to issue checks for immediate payment of amounts due, which if not paid promptly would result in loss of discount, penalty for late payment or additional interest cost. Any such payments made shall be reported to the Council for review and approval with and in the same manner as other claims at the next meeting following such payment. The resolution authorizing immediate payment shall specify the type of payment so authorized and may include (but is not limited to) payment of utility bills, contractual obligations, payroll, and bond principal and interest.
6. Utilities. The finance officer shall perform and be responsible for accounting functions of the municipally owned utilities.

**7.08 FINANCIAL REPORTS.** The finance officer shall prepare and file the following financial reports:

1. Monthly Reports. There shall be submitted to the Council each month:
  - A. A report showing the activity and status of each fund, program, sub-program, and activity for the preceding month.
  - B. A report showing the completion of internal review of check numbers signed by the Clerk to the bills submitted for the preceding month. The internal review shall be completed by a Council member.
2. Annual Report. Not later than December 1 of each year there shall be published an annual report containing a summary for the preceding fiscal year of all collections and receipts, all accounts due the City, and all expenditures, the current public debt of the City, and the legal debt limit of the City for the current fiscal year. A copy of the

annual report must be filed with the Auditor of State not later than December 1 of each year.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.22)*

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## CHAPTER 15

### MAYOR

15.01 Term of Office  
15.02 Powers and Duties  
15.03 Appointments

15.04 Compensation  
15.05 Voting

**15.01 TERM OF OFFICE.** The Mayor is elected for a term of two years.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.2)*

**15.02 POWERS AND DUTIES.** The powers and duties of the Mayor are as follows:

1. Chief Executive Officer. Act as the chief executive officer of the City and presiding officer of the Council, supervise all departments of the City, give direction to department heads concerning the functions of the departments, and have the power to examine all functions of the municipal departments, their records and to call for special reports from department heads at any time.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

5. Reports to Council. Make such oral or written reports to the Council as required. These reports shall concern municipal affairs generally, the municipal departments, and recommendations suitable for Council action.

6. Negotiations. Represent the City in all negotiations properly entered into in accordance with law or ordinance. The Mayor shall not represent the City where this duty is specifically delegated to another officer by law, ordinance, or Council direction.

7. Contracts. Whenever authorized by the Council, sign contracts on behalf of the City.

8. Professional Services. Upon order of the Council, secure for the City such specialized and professional services not already available to the City. In executing the order of the Council, the Mayor shall act in accordance with this Code of Ordinances and the laws of the State.

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

10. Nuisances. Issue written order for removal, at public expense, any nuisance for which no person can be found responsible and liable.

11. Absentee Officer. Make appropriate provision that duties of any absentee officer be carried on during such absence.

**15.03 APPOINTMENTS.** The Mayor shall appoint the following officials:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)*

1. Mayor Pro Tem

**15.04 COMPENSATION.** The salary of the Mayor is \$1,200.00 per year. For meetings (other than Council meetings) attended on behalf of the City, the Mayor is paid \$40.00 per day, and for mileage incurred on behalf of the city, reimbursement at the current standard mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service.

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

**15.05 VOTING.** The Mayor is not a member of the Council and shall not vote as a member of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)*

## CHAPTER 16

### MAYOR PRO TEM

**16.01 Vice President of Council**  
**16.02 Powers and Duties**

**16.03 Voting Rights**  
**16.04 Compensation**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## CHAPTER 17

### CITY COUNCIL

17.01 Number and Term of Council  
17.02 Powers and Duties  
17.03 Exercise of Power

17.04 Council Meetings  
17.05 Appointments  
17.06 Compensation

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

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4 & 376.2)*

**17.02 POWERS AND DUTIES.** The powers and duties of the Council include, but are not limited to the following:

1. General. All powers of the City are vested in the Council except as otherwise provided by law or ordinance.

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

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

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

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

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

4. Contracts. The Council shall make or authorize the making of all contracts. No contract shall bind or be obligatory upon the City unless approved by the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 26.10)*

5. Employees. The Council shall authorize, by resolution, the number, duties, term of office and compensation of employees or officers not otherwise provided for by State law or the Code of Ordinances.

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

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

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

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

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

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

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.4)*

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

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

3. Measures Become Effective. Measures passed by the Council become effective in one of the following ways:

A. An ordinance or amendment signed by the Mayor becomes effective when the ordinance or a summary of the ordinance is published, unless a subsequent effective date is provided within the ordinance or amendment.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**17.04 COUNCIL MEETINGS.** Procedures for giving notice of meetings of the Council and other provisions regarding the conduct of Council meetings are contained in Section 5.06 of this Code of Ordinances. Additional particulars relating to Council meetings are the following:

1. Regular Meetings. The time and place of the regular meetings of the Council shall be fixed by resolution of the Council.
2. Special Meetings. Special meetings shall be held upon call of the Mayor or upon the request of a majority of the members of the Council.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[5])*
3. Quorum. A majority of all Council members is a quorum.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[1])*
4. Rules of Procedure. The Council shall determine its own rules and maintain records of its proceedings.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[5])*

**17.05 APPOINTMENTS.** The Council shall appoint the following officials and prescribe their powers, duties, compensation, and term of office:

1. City Clerk/Treasurer
2. City Attorney
3. Building Official
4. Sanitary Sewer Superintendent
5. Fire Chief

**17.06 COMPENSATION.** The salary of each Council member is \$40.00 for each meeting of the Council attended, payable in December. For meetings (other than Council meetings) attended on behalf of the City, Council members are paid the sum of \$40.00 per day, and for mileage incurred on behalf of the City, reimbursement at the current standard mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service.

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

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# CHAPTER 18

## CITY CLERK

18.01 Appointment and Compensation  
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18.10 Licenses and Permits  
18.11 Notification of Appointments  
18.12 Elections  
18.13 City Seal

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

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

**18.02 POWERS AND DUTIES: GENERAL.** The Clerk or, in the Clerk's absence or inability to act, the Deputy Clerk has the powers and duties as provided in this chapter, this Code of Ordinances, and the law.

**18.03 PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.** Within 15 days following a regular or special meeting, the Clerk shall cause the minutes of the proceedings thereof to be published. Such publication shall include a list of all claims allowed and a summary of all receipts and shall show the gross amount of the claims.

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

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

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

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

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 362.3)*

1. Time. If notice of an election, hearing, or other official action is required by this Code of Ordinances or law, the notice must be published at least once, not less than four or more than 20 days before the date of the election, hearing, or other action, unless otherwise provided by law.

2. Manner of Publication. The three public places where public notices, ordinances, notices of elections and other matters permitted to be posted are to be displayed are:

Farmers Savings Bank  
U.S. Post Office  
Riverside Bait

The Clerk is hereby directed to post promptly such ordinances, notices or other proceedings and to leave them so posted for not less than 10 days after the first date of posting. Unauthorized removal of the posted matter prior to the completion of the ten

days shall not affect the validity of said ordinance, notice or other proceedings. The Clerk shall note the first date of such posting on the official copy of such notice, proceedings, or the ordinance and in the official ordinance book immediately following the ordinance.

**18.06 AUTHENTICATION.** The Clerk shall authenticate all measures except motions with the Clerk's signature, certifying the time and manner of publication when required.

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

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

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.11)*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**18.09 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS.** The Clerk shall attend all regular and special Council meetings and, at the direction of the Council, the Clerk shall attend meetings of

committees, boards, and commissions. The Clerk shall record and preserve a correct record of the proceedings of such meetings.

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

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

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

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

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

**18.12 ELECTIONS.** The Clerk shall perform the duties relating to elections in accordance with Chapter 376 of the *Code of Iowa*.

**18.13 CITY SEAL.** The City seal is in the custody of the Clerk and shall be attached by the Clerk to all transcripts, orders, and certificates that it may be necessary or proper to authenticate. The City seal is circular in form, in the center of which are the words "CORPORATE SEAL" and around the margin of which are the words "CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA."

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## CHAPTER 19

# CITY TREASURER

**19.01 Appointment**  
**19.02 Compensation**

**19.03 Duties of Treasurer**

**19.01 APPOINTMENT.** The City Clerk is the Treasurer and performs all functions required of the position of Treasurer.

**19.02 COMPENSATION.** The Clerk receives no additional compensation for performing the duties of the Treasurer.

**19.03 DUTIES OF TREASURER.** The duties of the Treasurer are as follows:  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4])*

1. Custody of Funds. Be responsible for the safe custody of all funds of the City in the manner provided by law and Council direction.
2. Record of Fund. Keep the record of each fund separate.
3. Record Receipts. Keep an accurate record of all money or securities received by the Treasurer on behalf of the City and specify the date, from whom, and for what purpose received.
4. Record Disbursements. Keep an accurate account of all disbursements, money, or property, specifying date, to whom, and from what fund paid.
5. Special Assessments. Keep a separate account of all money received by the Treasurer from special assessments.
6. Deposit Funds. Upon receipt of moneys to be held in the Treasurer's custody and belonging to the City, deposit the same in depositories selected by the Council.
7. Reconciliation. Reconcile depository statements with the Treasurer's books and certify monthly to the Council the balance of cash and investments of each fund and amounts received and disbursed.
8. Debt Service. Keep a register of all bonds outstanding and record all payments of interest and principal.
9. Other Duties. Perform such other duties as specified by the Council by resolution or ordinance.

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## CHAPTER 20

# CITY ATTORNEY

20.01 Appointment and Compensation  
20.02 Attorney for City  
20.03 Power of Attorney  
20.04 Ordinance Preparation

20.05 Review and Comment  
20.06 Provide Legal Opinion  
20.07 Attendance at Council Meetings  
20.08 Prepare Documents

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## CHAPTER 30

# CONTRACT LAW ENFORCEMENT

**30.01 CONTRACT LAW ENFORCEMENT.** The Council has contracted with the County Sheriff through a 28E Agreement to provide law enforcement services within the City. The Sheriff shall exercise the powers and duties of Police Chief and Deputy Sheriffs shall exercise the powers and duties of peace officers as provided by law, this Code of Ordinances, and the 28E Agreement. Unless terminated by either party, the 28E Agreement shall be renewed automatically for successive terms of two years from the effective date.

*(Code of Iowa, 28E.30)*

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## CHAPTER 35

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

35.01 Establishment and Purpose  
35.02 Organization  
35.03 Training  
35.04 Election of Officers  
35.05 Duties of Fire Chief  
35.06 Obedience to Fire Chief

35.07 Constitution  
35.08 Accidental Injury Insurance  
35.09 Liability Insurance  
35.10 Calls Outside City  
35.11 Mutual Aid  
35.12 Authority to Cite Violations

**35.01 ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE.** A volunteer fire department is hereby established to prevent and extinguish fires and to protect lives and property against fires, to promote fire prevention and fire safety, and to answer all emergency calls for which there is no other established agency.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.16)*

**35.02 ORGANIZATION.** The department consists of the Fire Chief and such other officers and personnel as may be authorized by the Council.

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

**35.03 TRAINING.** All members of the department shall meet the minimum training standards established by the State Fire Marshal and attend and actively participate in regular or special training drills or programs as directed by the Fire Chief.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 100B.2[4])*

**35.04 ELECTION OF OFFICERS.** The department shall elect a Fire Chief and such other officers as its constitution and bylaws may provide, but the election of the Fire Chief shall be subject to the approval of the Council. In case of absence of the Fire Chief, the officer next in rank shall be in charge and have and exercise all the powers of Fire Chief.

**35.05 DUTIES OF FIRE CHIEF.** The Fire Chief shall perform all duties required of the Fire Chief by law or ordinance, including (but not limited to) the following:

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

1. **Enforce Laws.** Enforce ordinances and laws regulating fire prevention and the investigation of the cause, origin, and circumstances of fires.
2. **Technical Assistance.** Upon request, give advice concerning private fire alarm systems, fire extinguishing equipment, fire escapes and exits, and development of fire emergency plans.
3. **Authority at Fires.** When in charge of a fire scene, direct an operation as necessary to extinguish or control a fire, perform a rescue operation, investigate the existence of a suspected or reported fire, gas leak, or other hazardous condition, or take any other action deemed necessary in the reasonable performance of the department's duties.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 102.2)*

4. Control of Scenes. Prohibit an individual, vehicle, or vessel from approaching a fire scene and remove from the scene any object, vehicle, vessel, or individual that may impede or interfere with the operation of the Fire Department.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 102.2)*

5. Authority to Barricade. When in charge of a fire scene, place or erect ropes, guards, barricades, or other obstructions across a street, alley, right-of-way, or private property near the location of the fire or emergency so as to prevent accidents or interference with the firefighting efforts of the Fire Department, to control the scene until any required investigation is complete, or to preserve evidence related to the fire or other emergency.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 102.3)*

6. Command. Be charged with the duty of maintaining the efficiency, discipline, and control of the Fire Department. The members of the Fire Department shall, at all times, be subject to the direction of the Fire Chief.

7. Property. Exercise and have full control over the disposition of all fire apparatus, tools, equipment, and other property used by or belonging to the Fire Department.

8. Notification. Whenever death, serious bodily injury, or property damage in excess of \$200,000.00 has occurred as a result of a fire, or if arson is suspected, notify the State Fire Marshal's Division immediately. For all other fires causing an estimated damage of \$50.00 or more or emergency responses by the Fire Department, file a report with the Fire Marshal's Division within 10 days following the end of the month. The report shall indicate all fire incidents occurring and state the name of the owners and occupants of the property at the time of the fire, the value of the property, the estimated total loss to the property, origin of the fire as determined by investigation, and other facts, statistics, and circumstances concerning the fire incidents.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 100.2 & 100.3)*

9. Right of Entry. Have the right, during reasonable hours, to enter any building or premises within the Fire Chief's jurisdiction for the purpose of making such investigation or inspection that under law or ordinance may be necessary to be made and that is reasonably necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 100.12)*

10. Recommendation. Make such recommendations to owners, occupants, caretakers, or managers of buildings necessary to eliminate fire hazards.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 100.13)*

11. Assist State Fire Marshal. At the request of the State Fire Marshal, and as provided by law, aid said marshal in the performance of duties by investigating, preventing and reporting data pertaining to fires.

12. Records. Cause to be kept records of the Fire Department personnel, firefighting equipment, depreciation of all equipment and apparatus, the number of responses to alarms, their cause, and location, and an analysis of losses by value, type and location of buildings.

13. Reports. Compile and submit to the Mayor and Council an annual report of the status and activities of the department as well as such other reports as may be requested by the Mayor or Council.

**35.06 OBEDIENCE TO FIRE CHIEF.** No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of the Fire Chief.

**35.07 CONSTITUTION.** The department shall adopt a constitution and bylaws as they deem calculated to accomplish the object contemplated, and such constitution and bylaws and any change or amendment to such constitution and bylaws before being effective, must be approved by the Council.

**35.08 ACCIDENTAL INJURY INSURANCE.** The Council shall contract to insure the City against liability for worker's compensation and against statutory liability for the costs of hospitalization, nursing, and medical attention for volunteer firefighters injured in the performance of their duties as firefighters whether within or outside the corporate limits of the City. All volunteer firefighters shall be covered by the contract.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 85.2, 85.61 and Sec. 410.18)*

**35.09 LIABILITY INSURANCE.** The Council shall contract to insure against liability of the City or members of the department for injuries, death or property damage arising out of and resulting from the performance of departmental duties within or outside the corporate limits of the City.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 670.2 & 517A.1)*

**35.10 CALLS OUTSIDE CITY.** The department shall answer calls to fires and other emergencies outside the City limits if the Fire Chief determines that such emergency exists and that such action will not endanger persons and property within the City limits.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.4[2 & 3])*

**35.11 MUTUAL AID.** Subject to approval by resolution of the Council, the department may enter into mutual aid agreements with other legally constituted fire departments. Copies of any such agreements shall be filed with the Clerk.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.4[2 & 3])*

**35.12 AUTHORITY TO CITE VIOLATIONS.** Fire officials acting under the authority of Chapter 100 of the *Code of Iowa* may issue citations in accordance to Chapter 805 of the *Code of Iowa*, for violations of State and/or local fire safety regulations.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 100.41)*

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## CHAPTER 40

### PUBLIC PEACE

40.01 Assault

40.02 Harassment

40.03 Disorderly Conduct

40.04 Unlawful Assembly

40.05 Failure to Disperse

**40.01 ASSAULT.** No person shall, without justification, commit any of the following:

1. Pain or Injury. Any act that is intended to cause pain or injury to another or that is intended to result in physical contact that will be insulting or offensive to another, coupled with the apparent ability to execute the act.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1[1])*

2. Threat of Pain or Injury. Any act that is intended to place another in fear of immediate physical contact which will be painful, injurious, insulting, or offensive, coupled with the apparent ability to execute the act.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1[2])*

An act described in Subsections 1 and 2 shall not be an assault under the following circumstances: (i) if the person doing any of the enumerated acts, and such other person, are voluntary participants in a sport, social or other activity, not in itself criminal, and such act is a reasonably foreseeable incident of such sport or activity, and does not create an unreasonable risk of serious injury or breach of the peace; (ii) if the person doing any of the enumerated acts is employed by a school district or accredited nonpublic school, or is an area education agency staff member who provides services to a school or school district, and intervenes in a fight or physical struggle or other disruptive situation that takes place in the presence of the employee or staff member performing employment duties in a school building, on school grounds, or at an official school function, regardless of the location, whether the fight or physical struggle or other disruptive situation is between students or other individuals, if the degree and the force of the intervention is reasonably necessary to restore order and to protect the safety of those assembled.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1)*

**40.02 HARASSMENT.** No person shall commit harassment.

1. A person commits harassment when, with intent to intimidate, annoy, or alarm another person, the person does any of the following:

A. Communicates with another by telephone, telegraph, writing, or via electronic communication without legitimate purpose and in a manner likely to cause the other person annoyance or harm.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7)*

B. Places any simulated explosive or simulated incendiary device in or near any building, vehicle, airplane, railroad engine or railroad car, or boat occupied by the other person.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7)*

C. Orders merchandise or services in the name of another, or to be delivered to another, without such other person's knowledge or consent.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7)*

D. Reports or causes to be reported false information to a law enforcement authority implicating another in some criminal activity, knowing that the information is false, or reports the alleged occurrence of a criminal act, knowing the same did not occur.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7)*

2. A person commits harassment when the person, purposefully and without legitimate purpose, has personal contact with another person, with the intent to threaten, intimidate or alarm that other person. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "personal contact" means an encounter in which two or more people are in visual or physical proximity to each other. "Personal contact" does not require a physical touching or oral communication, although it may include these types of contacts.

**40.03 DISORDERLY CONDUCT.** No person shall do any of the following:

1. Fighting. Engage in fighting or violent behavior in any public place or in or near any lawful assembly of persons, provided that participants in athletic contests may engage in such conduct that is reasonably related to that sport.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1a])*

2. Noise. Make loud and raucous noise in the vicinity of any residence or public building which intentionally or recklessly causes unreasonable distress to the occupants thereof.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1b])*

3. Abusive Language. Direct abusive epithets or make any threatening gesture that the person knows or reasonably should know is likely to provoke a violent reaction by another.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1c])*

4. Disrupt Lawful Assembly. Without lawful authority or color of authority, disturb any lawful assembly or meeting of persons by conduct intended to disrupt the meeting or assembly.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1d])*

5. False Report of Catastrophe. By words or action, initiate or circulate a report or warning of fire, epidemic, or other catastrophe, knowing such report to be false or such warning to be baseless.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1e])*

6. Disrespect of Flag. Knowingly and publicly use the flag of the United States in such a manner as to show disrespect for the flag as a symbol of the United States, with the intent or reasonable expectation that such use will provoke or encourage another to commit trespass or assault. As used in this subsection:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1f])*

A. "Deface" means to intentionally mar the external appearance.

B. "Defile" means to intentionally make physically unclean.

C. "Flag" means a piece of woven cloth or other material designed to be flown from a pole or mast.

- D. “Mutilate” means to intentionally cut up or alter so as to make imperfect.
  - E. “Show disrespect” means to deface, defile, mutilate, or trample.
  - F. “Trample” means to intentionally tread upon or intentionally cause a machine, vehicle, or animal to tread upon.
7. Funeral or Memorial Service. Within 1,000 feet of the building or other location where a funeral or memorial service is being conducted, or within 1,000 feet of a funeral procession or burial:
- A. Make loud and raucous noise that causes unreasonable distress to the persons attending the funeral or memorial service or participating in the funeral procession.
  - B. Direct abusive epithets or make any threatening gesture that the person knows or reasonably should know is likely to provoke a violent reaction by another.
  - C. Disturb or disrupt the funeral, memorial service, funeral procession, or burial by conduct intended to disturb or disrupt the funeral, memorial service, funeral procession, or burial.

This subsection applies to conduct within 60 minutes preceding, during, and within 60 minutes after a funeral, memorial service, funeral procession, or burial.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.5)*

*(Section 40.03 – Ord. 2021-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**40.04 UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY.** (Repealed by Ordinance No. 2021-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)

**40.05 FAILURE TO DISPERSE.** A peace officer may order the participants in a riot or unlawful assembly or persons in the immediate vicinity of a riot or unlawful assembly to disperse. No person within hearing distance of such command shall refuse to obey.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.3)*

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## CHAPTER 41

### PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

41.01 Distributing Dangerous Substances	41.08 Abandoned or Unattended Refrigerators
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41.03 Providing False Identification Information	41.10 Barbed Wire and Electric Fences
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41.06 Interference with Official Acts	41.13 Urinating and Defecating
41.07 Removal of an Officer's Communication or Control Device	41.14 Fireworks
	41.15 Drug Paraphernalia

**41.01 DISTRIBUTING DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES.** No person shall distribute samples of any drugs or medicine, or any corrosive, caustic, poisonous or other injurious substance unless the person delivers such into the hands of a competent person, or otherwise takes reasonable precautions that the substance will not be taken by children or animals from the place where the substance is deposited.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 727.1)*

**41.02 FALSE REPORTS TO OR COMMUNICATIONS WITH PUBLIC SAFETY ENTITIES.** No person shall do any of the following:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 718.6)*

1. Report or cause to be reported false information to a fire department, a law enforcement authority or other public safety entity, knowing that the information is false, or report the alleged occurrence of a criminal act knowing the act did not occur.
2. Telephone an emergency 911 communications center, knowing that he or she is not reporting an emergency or otherwise needing emergency information or assistance.
3. Knowingly provide false information to a law enforcement officer who enters the information on a citation.

**41.03 PROVIDING FALSE IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION.** No person shall knowingly provide false identification information to anyone known by the person to be a peace officer, emergency medical care provider, or firefighter, whether paid or volunteer, in the performance of any act that is within the scope of the lawful duty or authority of that officer, emergency medical care provider, or firefighter.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 719.1A)*

**41.04 REFUSING TO ASSIST OFFICER.** Any person who is requested or ordered by any magistrate or peace officer to render the magistrate or officer assistance in making or attempting to make an arrest, or to prevent the commission of any criminal act, shall render assistance as required. No person shall unreasonably and without lawful cause, refuse or neglect to render assistance when so requested.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 719.2)*

**41.05 HARASSMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.** No person shall willfully prevent or attempt to prevent any public officer or employee from performing the officer's or employee's duty.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 718.4)*

**41.06 INTERFERENCE WITH OFFICIAL ACTS.** No person shall knowingly resist or obstruct anyone known by the person to be a peace officer, jailer, emergency medical care provider under Chapter 147A of the *Code of Iowa*, or firefighter, whether paid or volunteer, or a person performing bailiff duties pursuant to Section 602.1303[4] of the *Code of Iowa*, in the performance of any act that is within the scope of the lawful duty or authority of that officer, jailer, emergency medical care provider, or firefighter, or person performing bailiff duties, or shall knowingly resist or obstruct the service or execution by any authorized person of any civil or criminal process or order of any court. The terms "resist" and "obstruct" as used in this section do not include verbal harassment unless the verbal harassment is accompanied by a present ability and apparent intention to execute a verbal threat physically.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 719.1)*

**41.07 REMOVAL OF AN OFFICER'S COMMUNICATION OR CONTROL DEVICE.** No person shall knowingly or intentionally remove or attempt to remove a communication device or any device used for control from the possession of a peace officer or correctional officer, when the officer is in the performance of any act which is within the scope of the lawful duty or authority of that officer and the person knew or should have known the individual to be an officer.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.12)*

**41.08 ABANDONED OR UNATTENDED REFRIGERATORS.** No person shall abandon or otherwise leave unattended any refrigerator, ice box, or similar container, with doors that may become locked, outside of buildings and accessible to children, nor shall any person allow any such refrigerator, ice box, or similar container, to remain outside of buildings on premises in the person's possession or control, abandoned or unattended and so accessible to children.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 727.3)*

**41.09 ANTENNA AND RADIO WIRES.** It is unlawful for a person to allow antenna wires, antenna supports, radio wires, or television wires to exist over any street, alley, highway, sidewalk, public way, public ground, or public building without written consent of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2])*

**41.10 BARBED WIRE AND ELECTRIC FENCES.** It is unlawful for a person to use barbed wire or electric fences to enclose land within the City limits without the written consent of the Council unless such land consists of 10 acres or more and is used as agricultural land.

**41.11 DISCHARGING WEAPONS.**

1. It is unlawful for a person to discharge rifles, shotguns, revolvers, pistols, guns, or other firearms of any kind within the City limits except by written consent of the Council.
2. No person shall intentionally discharge a firearm in a reckless manner.

**41.12 THROWING AND SHOOTING.** It is unlawful for a person to throw stones, bricks, or missiles of any kind or to shoot arrows, paintballs, rubber guns, slingshots, air rifles, BB

guns, or other dangerous instruments or toys on or into any street, alley, highway, sidewalk, public way, public ground, or public building, without written consent of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2])*

**41.13 URINATING AND DEFECATING.** It is unlawful for any person to urinate or defecate onto any sidewalk, street, alley, or other public way, or onto any public or private building, including but not limited to the wall, floor, hallway, steps, stairway, doorway, or window thereof, or onto any public or private land.

**41.14 FIREWORKS.**

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 727.2)*

1. Definitions. For purposes of this section:
  - A. “Consumer fireworks” includes first-class consumer fireworks and second-class consumer fireworks, as those terms are defined in Chapter 100 of the *Code of Iowa*. “Consumer fireworks” does not include novelties enumerated in Chapter 3 of the American Pyrotechnics Association (“APA”) Standard 87-1:
  - B. “Display fireworks” includes any explosive composition, or combination of explosive substances, or article prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration, or detonation, and includes fireworks containing any explosive or flammable compound, or other device containing any explosive substance. “Display fireworks” does not include novelties or consumer fireworks enumerated in Chapter 3 of the APA Standard 87-1.
  - C. “Novelties” includes all novelties enumerated in Chapter 3 of the APA Standard 87-1, and that comply with the labeling regulations promulgated by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission.
2. Display Fireworks. It is unlawful for any person to use or explode any display fireworks; provided, the City Council may, upon application in writing, grant a permit for the display of display fireworks by municipalities, fair associations, amusement parks, and other organizations or groups of individuals approved by the City when the display fireworks will be handled by a competent operator, but no such permit shall be required for the display of display fireworks at the Iowa State Fairgrounds by the Iowa State Fair Board, at incorporated county fairs, or at district fairs receiving State aid.. No permit shall be granted hereunder unless the operator or sponsoring organization has filed with the City evidence of insurance in the following amounts:
  - A. Personal Injury: .....\$250,000.00 per person
  - B. Property Damage: .....\$50,000.00
  - C. Total Exposure: .....\$1,000,000.00
3. Consumer Fireworks.
  - A. It is unlawful for any person to use or explode consumer fireworks on days other than June 25 through July 8 and December 24 through January 3 of each year, all dates inclusive. No person under the age of 18 shall possess or discharge a consumer firework without parental supervision.

*(Ord. 2019-5 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

- B. It is unlawful for any person to use or explode consumer fireworks at times other than between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., except that on the following dates consumer fireworks shall not be used at times other than between the hours specified:
- (1) Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. on July 4 and the Saturdays and Sundays immediately preceding and following July 4.
  - (2) Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. on December 31 and 12:30 a.m. on the immediately following day.
  - (3) Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. on the Saturdays and Sundays immediately preceding and following December 31.
- C. It is unlawful for any person to use consumer fireworks on real property other than that person's real property or on the real property of a person who has consented to the use of consumer fireworks on that property.
- D. Consumer fireworks shall not be possessed or discharged by persons showing visible signs of, or determined to be, intoxicated or under the influence of a drug or narcotic.
- E. Any person discharging a consumer fireworks device assumes all responsibility for its operation and the consequences thereof. No person shall discharge a consumer fireworks device in a reckless manner or manner likely to cause death, injury, fire, or property damage.
- F. It is unlawful to alter, remove, or discharge components of a consumer fireworks device from its intended method of discharging.
4. **Sale Regulations.** The sale of consumer fireworks shall be allowed only in the N-R Nonresidential Zoning District. It is unlawful for any person to offer for sale, expose for sale, or sell at retail any consumer fireworks without approval of a written fireworks permit application by resolution of the Council. The application shall contain at a minimum the following:
- A. Payment of fireworks permit fee of \$500.00. The fee shall be used to fund the Frederika Fire Department.
  - B. Applicant's name, address, and phone number.
  - C. Structure type and location information where the display and sales will occur.
  - D. State Fire Marshal license, inspection, and insurance information.
  - E. The days and times of operation.
5. **Novelties.** This section does not apply to fireworks deemed to be novelties.

#### **41.15 DRUG PARAPHERNALIA.**

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 124.414)*

1. As used in this section "drug paraphernalia" means all equipment, products or materials of any kind used or attempted to be used in combination with a controlled substance, except those items used in combination with the lawful use of a controlled substance, to knowingly or intentionally and primarily do any of the following:

- A. Manufacture a controlled substance.
- B. Inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce into the human body a controlled substance.
- C. Test the strength, effectiveness, or purity of a controlled substance.
- D. Enhance the effect of a controlled substance.

Drug paraphernalia does not include hypodermic needles or syringes if manufactured, delivered, sold, or possessed for a lawful purpose.

- 2. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly or intentionally manufacture, deliver, sell, or possess drug paraphernalia.

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**CHAPTER 42**  
**PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY**

42.01 Trespassing

42.02 Criminal Mischief

42.03 Defacing Proclamations or Notices

42.04 Unauthorized Entry

42.05 Fraud

42.06 Theft

42.07 Other Public Property Offenses

**42.01 TRESPASSING.**

1. Prohibited. It is unlawful for a person to knowingly trespass upon the property of another.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.8)*

2. Definitions. For purposes of this section:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.7[1])*

A. “Property” includes any land, dwelling, building, conveyance, vehicle, or other temporary or permanent structure, whether publicly or privately owned.

B. “Public utility” is a public utility as defined in Section 476.1 of the *Code of Iowa* or an electric transmission line as provided in Chapter 478 of the *Code of Iowa*.

C. “Public utility property” means any land, dwelling, building, conveyance, vehicle, or other temporary or permanent structure owned, leased, or operated by a public utility and that is completely enclosed by a physical barrier of any kind.

D. “Railway corporation” means a corporation, company, or person owning, leasing, or operating any railroad in whole or in part within this State.

E. “Railway property” means all tangible real and personal property owned, leased, or operated by a railway corporation, with the exception of any administrative building or offices of the railway corporation.

- F. “Trespass” means one or more of the following acts:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.7[2a])*

(1) Entering upon or in property without the express permission of the owner, lessee, or person in lawful possession with the intent to commit a public offense or to use, remove therefrom, alter, damage, harass, or place thereon or therein anything animate or inanimate.

(2) Entering or remaining upon or in property without justification after being notified or requested to abstain from entering or to remove or vacate therefrom by the owner, lessee, or person in lawful possession, or the agent or employee of the owner, lessee, or person in lawful possession, or by any peace officer, magistrate, or public employee whose duty it is to supervise the use or maintenance of the property.

(3) Entering upon or in property for the purpose or with the effect of unduly interfering with the lawful use of the property by others.

(4) Being upon or in property and wrongfully using, removing therefrom, altering, damaging, harassing, or placing thereon or therein anything animate or inanimate, without the implied or actual permission of the owner, lessee, or person in lawful possession.

(5) Entering or remaining upon or in railway property without lawful authority or without the consent of the railway corporation which owns, leases, or operates the railway property. This paragraph does not apply to passage over a railroad right-of-way, other than a track, railroad roadbed, viaduct, bridge, trestle, or railroad yard, by an unarmed person if the person has not been notified or requested to abstain from entering onto the right-of-way or to vacate the right-of-way and the passage over the right-of-way does not interfere with the operation of the railroad.

(6) Entering or remaining upon or in public utility property without lawful authority or without the consent of the public utility that owns, leases, or operates the public utility property. This paragraph does not apply to passage over public utility right-of-way by a person if the person has not been notified or requested by posted signage or other means to abstain from entering onto the right-of-way or to vacate the right-of-way.

3. Specific Exceptions. "Trespass" does not mean either of the following:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.7[2b])*

A. Entering upon the property of another for the sole purpose of retrieving personal property which has accidentally or inadvertently been thrown, fallen, strayed, or blown onto the property of another, provided that the person retrieving the property takes the most direct and accessible route to and from the property to be retrieved, quits the property as quickly as is possible, and does not unduly interfere with the lawful use of the property. This paragraph does not apply to public utility property where the person has been notified or requested by posted signage or other means to abstain from entering.

B. Entering upon the right-of-way of a public road or highway.

**42.02 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF.** It is unlawful, for any person who has no right to do so, to intentionally damage, deface, alter, or destroy property.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)*

**42.03 DEFACING PROCLAMATIONS OR NOTICES.** It is unlawful for a person intentionally to deface, obliterate, tear down, or destroy in whole or in part, any transcript or extract from or of any law of the United States or the State, or any proclamation, advertisement or notification, set up at any place within the City by authority of the law or by order of any court, during the time for which the same is to remain set up.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)*

**42.04 UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY.** No unauthorized person shall enter or remain in or upon any public building, premises, or grounds in violation of any notice posted thereon or when said

building, premises or grounds are closed and not open to the public. When open to the public, a failure to pay any required admission fee also constitutes an unauthorized entry.

**42.05 FRAUD.** It is unlawful for any person to commit a fraudulent practice as defined in Section 714.8 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 714.8)*

**42.06 THEFT.** It is unlawful for any person to commit theft as defined in Section 714.1 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 714.1)*

**42.07 OTHER PUBLIC PROPERTY OFFENSES.** The following chapters of this Code of Ordinances contain regulations prohibiting or restricting other activities or conditions that are also deemed to be public property offenses:

1. Chapter 105 – Solid Waste Control and Recycling
  - A. Section 105.07 – Littering Prohibited
2. Chapter 135 – Street Use and Maintenance
  - A. Section 135.01 – Removal of Warning Devices
  - B. Section 135.02 – Obstructing or Defacing
  - C. Section 135.03 – Placing Debris On
  - D. Section 135.04 – Playing In
  - E. Section 135.05 – Traveling on Barricaded Street or Alley
  - F. Section 135.08 – Burning Prohibited
  - G. Section 135.12 – Dumping of Snow
3. Chapter 136 – Sidewalk Regulations
  - A. Section 136.11 – Interference with Sidewalk Improvements
  - B. Section 136.15 – Fires or Fuel on Sidewalks
  - C. Section 136.16 – Defacing
  - D. Section 136.17 – Debris on Sidewalks
  - E. Section 136.18 – Merchandise Display
  - F. Section 136.19 – Sales Stands
  - G. Section 136.20 – Discharge of Water Across Sidewalks
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## CHAPTER 45

# ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND INTOXICATION

45.01 Persons Under Legal Age  
45.02 Public Consumption or Intoxication

45.03 Open Containers in Motor Vehicles  
45.04 Social Host

**45.01 PERSONS UNDER LEGAL AGE.** As used in this section, “legal age” means 21 years of age or more.

1. A person or persons under legal age shall not purchase or attempt to purchase, consume, or individually or jointly have alcoholic beverages in their possession or control; except in the case of any alcoholic beverage given or dispensed to a person under legal age within a private home and with the knowledge, presence and consent of the parent or guardian, for beverage or medicinal purposes or as administered to the person by either a physician or dentist for medicinal purposes and except to the extent that a person under legal age may handle alcoholic beverages, during the regular course of the person’s employment by a liquor control licensee, or wine or beer permittee under State laws.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.47[2])*

2. A person under legal age shall not misrepresent the person’s age for the purpose of purchasing or attempting to purchase any alcoholic beverage from any liquor control licensee or wine or beer permittee.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[3])*

### **45.02 PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OR INTOXICATION.**

1. As used in this section unless the context otherwise requires:

A. “Arrest” means the same as defined in Section 804.5 of the *Code of Iowa* and includes taking into custody pursuant to Section 232.19 of the *Code of Iowa*.

B. “Chemical test” means a test of a person’s blood, breath, or urine to determine the percentage of alcohol present by a qualified person using devices and methods approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

C. “Peace officer” means the same as defined in Section 801.4 of the *Code of Iowa*.

D. “School” means a public or private school or that portion of a public or private school that provides teaching for any grade from kindergarten through grade twelve.

2. A person shall not use or consume alcoholic liquor, wine or beer upon the public streets or highways. A person shall not use or consume alcoholic liquor in any public place, except premises covered by a liquor control license. A person shall not possess or consume alcoholic liquors, wine, or beer on public school property or while attending any public or private school-related function. A person shall not be intoxicated in a public place.

3. A person shall not simulate intoxication in a public place.

4. When a peace officer arrests a person on a charge of public intoxication under this section, the peace officer shall inform the person that the person may have a chemical test administered at the person's own expense. If a device approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety for testing a sample of a person's breath to determine the person's blood alcohol concentration is available, that is the only test that need be offered the person arrested. In a prosecution for public intoxication, evidence of the results of a chemical test performed under this subsection is admissible upon proof of a proper foundation. The percentage of alcohol present in a person's blood, breath, or urine established by the results of a chemical test performed within two hours after the person's arrest on a charge of public intoxication is presumed to be the percentage of alcohol present at the time of arrest.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.46)*

**45.03 OPEN CONTAINERS IN MOTOR VEHICLES.** *[See Section 62.01(6) of this Code of Ordinances.]*

**45.04 SOCIAL HOST.** A person who is the owner or lessee of, or who otherwise has control over, property that is not a licensed premises shall not knowingly permit any person, knowing or having reasonable cause to believe the person to be under the age of eighteen, to consume or possess on such property any alcoholic beverage. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a landlord or manager of the property or to a person under legal age who consumes or possesses any alcoholic beverage in connection with a religious observance, ceremony, or rite.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.47)*

## CHAPTER 46

### MINORS

#### 46.01 Cigarettes and Tobacco

#### 46.02 Contributing to Delinquency

**46.01 CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO.** It is unlawful for any person under 21 years of age to smoke, use, possess, purchase, or attempt to purchase any tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, vapor products, or cigarettes. Possession of tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, vapor products, or cigarettes by a person under 21 years of age shall not constitute a violation of this section if said person possesses the tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, vapor products, or cigarettes as part of the person's employment and said person is employed by a person who holds a valid permit under Chapter 453A of the *Code of Iowa* or who lawfully offers for sale or sells cigarettes or tobacco products.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.2)*

*(Ord. 2020-3 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**46.02 CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY.** It is unlawful for any person to encourage any child under 21 years of age to commit any act of delinquency. *(Ord. 2020-3 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 709A.1)*

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## CHAPTER 47

# PARK REGULATIONS

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**47.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to facilitate the enjoyment of park facilities by the public by establishing rules and regulations governing the use of park facilities within the City Park for the enjoyment of the City's residents of all ages.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12)*

**47.02 CITY PARK DEFINED.** The regulations in this chapter apply to the Frederika City Park area owned by the City and located along Fourth Avenue, consisting of (but not limited to) the following: tennis and basketball courts, ball diamond, concession stands, restrooms, picnic table shelter, playground, parking, and open areas surrounding the recreational and service facilities.

**47.03 PARK CLOSED.** No person shall enter or remain within the City Park between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 5:00 a.m.

**47.04 FIRES.** No fire shall be built, except in a place designated for such purpose, and such fire shall be extinguished before leaving the area unless it is to be immediately used by some other party.

**47.05 LITTERING.** No person shall place, deposit, or throw any waste, refuse, litter or foreign substance in any area or receptacle except those provided for that purpose.

**47.06 CAMPING.** No person shall camp in any portion of the City Park.

**47.07 PLAYING GOLF.** No hitting of golf balls with golf clubs or any other device is allowed anywhere in the City Park.

**47.08 KEG BEER PROHIBITED.** No person shall bring, use, or have in his or her possession, in the City Park, beer in a keg or other container larger than one quart.

**47.09 PETS.** No pets are permitted to run at large within the City Park. It shall be the duty of every person owning or having the custody or control of a pet to clean up, remove, and dispose of the feces deposited by such pet upon park property.

**47.10 FIREWORKS.** No person shall discharge fireworks within the City Park.

**47.11 SNOWMOBILES AND ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.** No person shall operate a snowmobile or ATV within the City Park.

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## CHAPTER 50

# NUISANCE ABATEMENT PROCEDURE

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**50.01 DEFINITION OF NUISANCE.** Whatever is injurious to health, indecent, or unreasonably offensive to the senses, or an obstruction to the free use of property so as essentially to interfere unreasonably with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property is a nuisance.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 657.1)*

**50.02 NUISANCES ENUMERATED.** The following subsections include, but do not limit, the conditions that are deemed to be nuisances in the City:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 657.2)*

1. **Offensive Smells.** Erecting, continuing, or using any building or other place for the exercise of any trade, employment, or manufacture that, by occasioning noxious exhalations, unreasonably offensive smells, or other annoyances, becomes injurious and dangerous to the health, comfort, or property of individuals or the public.
2. **Filth or Noisome Substance.** Causing or suffering any offal, filth, or noisome substance to be collected or to remain in any place to the prejudice of others.
3. **Impeding Passage of Navigable River.** Obstructing or impeding without legal authority the passage of any navigable river, harbor, or collection of water.
4. **Water Pollution.** Corrupting or rendering unwholesome or impure the water of any river, stream, or pond, or unlawfully diverting the same from its natural course or state, to the injury or prejudice of others.
5. **Blocking Public and Private Ways.** Obstructing or encumbering, by fences, buildings or otherwise, the public roads, private ways, streets, alleys, commons, landing places, or burying grounds.
6. **Billboards.** Billboards, signboards, and advertising signs, whether erected and constructed on public or private property, that so obstruct and impair the view of any portion or part of a public street, avenue, highway, boulevard or alley or of a railroad or street railway track as to render dangerous the use thereof. **(See also Section 62.06)**
7. **Storing of Flammable Junk.** Depositing or storing of flammable junk, such as old rags, rope, cordage, rubber, bones and paper, by dealers in such articles within the fire limits of the City, unless in a building of fireproof construction. **(See also Chapter 51)**
8. **Air Pollution.** Emission of dense smoke, noxious fumes, or fly ash.
9. **Weeds, Brush.** Dense growth of all weeds, vines, brush, or other vegetation in the City so as to constitute a health, safety, or fire hazard. A weed and grass control nuisance violation is created when:

- A. All grass, weeds, brush, vines, or other rank growth in excess of nine inches exists on public or private property to the centerline of streets and alleys.
  - B. All grass, weeds, brush, vines or other rank growth in excess of 18 inches exists within 20 feet of the exterior perimeter of property for agricultural purposes and is used for the raising of crops, livestock, or other use as allowed by this Code of Ordinances.
10. Dutch Elm Disease. Trees infected with Dutch elm disease.
11. Airport Air Space. Any object or structure hereafter erected within 1,000 feet of the limits of any municipal or regularly established airport or landing place, which may endanger or obstruct aerial navigation including take-off and landing, unless such object or structure constitutes a proper use or enjoyment of the land on which the same is located.
12. Houses of Ill Fame. Houses of ill fame, kept for the purpose of prostitution and lewdness; gambling houses; places resorted to by persons participating in criminal gang activity prohibited by Chapter 723A of the *Code of Iowa* or places resorted to by persons using controlled substances, as defined in Section 124.101 of the *Code of Iowa*, in violation of law, or houses where drunkenness, quarreling, fighting or breaches of the peace are carried on or permitted to the disturbance of others.

**50.03 OTHER CONDITIONS.** The following chapters of this Code of Ordinances contain regulations prohibiting or restricting other conditions that are deemed to be nuisances:

- 1. Junk and Junk Vehicles (**See Chapter 51**)
- 2. Dangerous Buildings (**See Chapter 145**)
- 3. Storage and Disposal of Solid Waste (**See Chapter 105**)
- 4. Construction and Repair of Buildings (**See Chapter 155**)

**50.04 NUISANCES PROHIBITED.** The creation or maintenance of a nuisance is prohibited, and a nuisance, public or private, may be abated in the manner provided for in this chapter or State law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 657.3)*

**50.05 NUISANCE ABATEMENT.** Whenever any authorized municipal officer finds that a nuisance exists, such officer has the authority to determine on a case-by-case basis whether to utilize the nuisance abatement procedure described in Section 50.06 of this chapter or the municipal infraction procedure referred to in Section 50.07.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*

**50.06 ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE BY WRITTEN NOTICE.** Any nuisance, public or private, may be abated in the manner provided for in this section:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*

1. Contents of Notice to Property Owner. The notice to abate shall contain: †
  - A. Description of Nuisance. A description of what constitutes the nuisance.
  - B. Location of Nuisance. The location of the nuisance.
  - C. Acts Necessary to Abate. A statement of the act or acts necessary to abate the nuisance.
  - D. Reasonable Time. A reasonable time within which to complete the abatement.
  - E. Assessment of City Costs. A statement that if the nuisance or condition is not abated as directed and no request for hearing is made within the time prescribed, the City will abate it and assess the costs against the property owner.
2. Method of Service. The notice may be in the form of an ordinance or sent by certified mail to the property owner.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*
3. Request for Hearing. Any person ordered to abate a nuisance may have a hearing with the Council as to whether a nuisance exists. A request for a hearing must be made in writing and delivered to the Clerk within the time stated in the notice, or it will be conclusively presumed that a nuisance exists and it must be abated as ordered. The hearing will be before the Council at a time and place fixed by the Council. The findings of the Council shall be conclusive and, if a nuisance is found to exist, it shall be ordered abated within a reasonable time under the circumstances.
4. Abatement in Emergency. If it is determined that an emergency exists by reason of the continuing maintenance of the nuisance or condition, the City may perform any action that may be required under this chapter without prior notice. The City shall assess the costs as provided in subsection 6 of this section after notice to the property owner under the applicable provisions of subsection 1 and 2, and the hearing as provided in subsection 3.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*
5. Abatement by City. If the person notified to abate a nuisance or condition neglects or fails to abate as directed, the City may perform the required action to abate, keeping an accurate account of the expense incurred. The itemized expense account shall be filed with the Clerk, who shall pay such expenses on behalf of the City.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*
6. Collection of Costs. The Clerk shall send a statement of the total expense incurred by certified mail to the property owner who has failed to abide by the notice to abate, and if the amount shown by the statement has not been paid within one month, the Clerk shall certify the costs to the County Treasurer and such costs shall then be collected with, and in the same manner as, general property taxes.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*

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† **EDITOR'S NOTE:** A suggested form of notice for the abatement of nuisances is included in the Appendix of this Code of Ordinances. Caution is urged in the use of this administrative abatement procedure, particularly where cost of abatement is more than minimal or where there is doubt as to whether or not a nuisance does in fact exist. If compliance is not secured following notice and hearings, we recommend you review the situation with your attorney before proceeding with abatement and assessment of costs. Your attorney may recommend proceedings in court under Chapter 657 of the *Code of Iowa* rather than this procedure.

7. Installment Payment of Cost of Abatement. If the amount expended to abate the nuisance or condition exceeds \$500.00, the City may permit the assessment to be paid in up to 10 annual installments, to be paid in the same manner and with the same interest rates provided for assessments against benefited property under State law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.13)*

8. Failure to Abate. Any person causing or maintaining a nuisance who shall fail or refuse to abate or remove the same within the reasonable time required and specified in the notice to abate is in violation of this Code of Ordinances.

**50.07 MUNICIPAL INFRACTION ABATEMENT PROCEDURE.** In lieu of the abatement procedures set forth in Section 50.06, the requirements of this chapter may be enforced under the procedures applicable to municipal infractions as set forth in Chapter 3 of this Code of Ordinances.

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## CHAPTER 51

# JUNK AND JUNK VEHICLES

### 51.01 Definitions

### 51.02 Junk and Junk Vehicles Prohibited

### 51.03 Junk and Junk Vehicles a Nuisance

### 51.04 Exceptions

### 51.05 Notice to Abate

**51.01 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter, the following terms are defined:

1. “Junk” means all old or scrap copper, brass, lead, or any other non-ferrous metal; old or discarded rope, rags, batteries, paper, trash, rubber, debris, waste or used lumber, or salvaged wood; dismantled vehicles, machinery and appliances or parts of such vehicles, machinery or appliances; iron, steel or other old or scrap ferrous materials; old or discarded glass, tinware, plastic or old or discarded household goods or hardware. Neatly stacked firewood located on a side yard or a rear yard is not considered junk.
2. “Junk vehicle” means any vehicle legally placed in storage with the County Treasurer or unlicensed and having any of the following characteristics:
  - A. Broken Glass. Any vehicle with a broken or cracked windshield, window, headlight or tail light, or any other cracked or broken glass.
  - B. Broken, Loose, or Missing Part. Any vehicle with a broken, loose, or missing fender, door, bumper, hood, steering wheel or trunk lid.
  - C. Habitat for Nuisance Animals or Insects. Any vehicle that has become the habitat for rats, mice, snakes, or any other vermin or insects.
  - D. Flammable Fuel. Any vehicle that contains gasoline or any other flammable fuel.
  - E. Inoperable. Any motor vehicle that lacks an engine or two or more wheels or other structural parts, rendering said motor vehicle totally inoperable, or that cannot be moved under its own power or has not been used as an operating vehicle for a period of 30 days or more.
  - F. Defective or Obsolete Condition. Any other vehicle that, because of its defective or obsolete condition, in any other way constitutes a threat to the public health and safety.

Mere licensing of such vehicle shall not constitute a defense to the finding that the vehicle is a junk vehicle.

3. “Vehicle” means every device in, upon, or by which a person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway or street, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks, and includes without limitation a motor vehicle, automobile, truck, motorcycle, tractor, buggy, wagon, farm machinery, or any combination thereof.

**51.02 JUNK AND JUNK VEHICLES PROHIBITED.** It is unlawful for any person to store, accumulate, or allow to remain on any private property within the corporate limits of the City any junk or junk vehicle.

**51.03 JUNK AND JUNK VEHICLES A NUISANCE.** It is hereby declared that any junk or junk vehicle located upon private property, unless excepted by Section 51.04, constitutes a threat to the health and safety of the citizens and is a nuisance within the meaning of Section 657.1 of the *Code of Iowa*. If any junk or junk vehicle is kept upon private property in violation hereof, the owner of or person occupying the property upon which it is located shall be prima facie liable for said violation.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3a])*

**51.04 EXCEPTIONS.** The provisions of this chapter do not apply to any junk or a junk vehicle stored within a garage or other enclosed structure.

**51.05 NOTICE TO ABATE.** Upon discovery of any junk or junk vehicle located upon private property in violation of Section 51.03, the City shall within five days initiate abatement procedures as outlined in Chapter 50 of this Code of Ordinances.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3a])*

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## CHAPTER 55

# ANIMAL PROTECTION AND CONTROL

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**55.01 DEFINITIONS.** The following terms are defined for use in this chapter.

1. "Advertise" means to present a commercial message in any medium including but not limited to print, radio, television, sign, display, label, tag or articulation.
2. "Animal" means a nonhuman vertebrate.  
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 717B.1*)
3. "At large" means off the premises of the owner and not under the control of a competent person, restrained within a motor vehicle, or housed in a veterinary hospital or kennel.
4. "Business" means any enterprise relating to any of the following:
  - A. The sale or offer for sale of goods or services.
  - B. A recruitment for employment or membership in an organization.
  - C. A solicitation to make an investment.
  - D. An amusement or entertainment activity.
5. "Dangerous Wild Animal" means an animal defined in Section 717F.1 of the *Code of Iowa*.
6. "Fair" means any of the following:
  - A. The annual fair and exposition held by the Iowa State Fair Board pursuant to Chapter 173 of the *Code of Iowa* or any fair event conducted by a fair under the provisions of Chapter 174 of the *Code of Iowa*.
  - B. An exhibition of agricultural or manufactured products.
  - C. An event for operation of amusement rides or devices or concession booths.
7. "Game" means a "game of chance" or "game of skill" as defined in Section 99B.1 of the *Code of Iowa*.

8. “Livestock” means an animal belonging to the bovine, caprine, equine, ovine or porcine species, ostriches, rheas and emus; farm deer as defined in Section 170.1 of the *Code of Iowa*; or poultry.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717.1)*

9. “Owner” means any person owning, keeping, sheltering or harboring an animal.

10. “Pet” means a living dog, cat, or an animal normally maintained in a small tank or cage in or near a residence, including but not limited to a rabbit, gerbil, hamster, mouse, parrot, canary, mynah, finch, tropical fish, goldfish, snake, turtle, gecko, or iguana.

11. “Animal shelter” means a facility which is used to house or contain dogs or cats, or both, and which is owned, operated, or maintained by an incorporated humane society, animal welfare society, society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, or other nonprofit organization devoted to the welfare, protection, and humane treatment of such animals.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 162.2)*

12. “Commercial establishment” means an animal shelter, boarding kennel, commercial breeder, commercial kennel, dealer, pet shop, pound, public auction, or research facility.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717.B1)*

13. “Dangerous animal” means any animal which attacks any person or another animal or which placed any person in reasonable fear of attack or injury or which damages or destroys property; however, a dog assisting a peace officer engaged in law enforcement duties is exempt from the provisions of this chapter.

14. “Injury” means an animal’s disfigurement; the impairment of an animal’s health; or an impairment to the functioning of an animal’s limb or organ, or the loss of an animals limb or organ.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717B.1)*

15. “Pound” means a facility for the prevention of cruelty to animals operated by the State, a municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State for the purpose of impounding or harboring seized stray, homeless, abandoned, or unwanted dogs, cats, or other animals; or a facility operated for such a purpose under a contract with any municipal corporation or incorporated society.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 162.2)*

16. “Research facility” means any school or college of medicine, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, or osteopathic medicine, or hospital, diagnostic or research laboratories, or other educational or scientific establishment situated in the State concerned with the investigation of, or instruction concerning the structure or function of living organisms, the cause, prevention, control, or cure of diseases or abnormal conditions of human beings or animals.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 162.2)*

17. “Veterinarian” means a veterinarian licensed pursuant to Chapter 169 of the *Code of Iowa* who practices veterinary medicine in the State.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717.B1)*

*(Subsections 11-17 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.02 ANIMAL NEGLECT.**

1. It is unlawful for a person who owns or has custody of an animal and confines that animal to fail to provide the animal with any of the following conditions for the animal's welfare:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717B.3)*

A. Access to food in an amount and quality reasonably sufficient to satisfy the animal's basic nutrition level to the extent that the animal's health or life is endangered.

B. Access to a supply of potable water in an amount reasonably sufficient to satisfy the animal's basic hydration level to the extent that the animal's health or life is endangered. Access to snow or ice does not satisfy this requirement.

C. Sanitary conditions free from excessive animal waste or the overcrowding of animals to the extent that the animal's health or life is endangered.

D. Ventilated shelter reasonably sufficient to provide adequate protection from the elements and weather conditions suitable for the age, species, and physical condition of the animal so as to maintain the animal in a state of good health to the extent that the animal's health or life is endangered. The shelter must protect the animal from wind, rain, snow, or sun and have adequate bedding to provide reasonable protection against cold and dampness. A shelter may include a residence, garage, barn, shed, or doghouse.

E. Grooming, to the extent it is reasonably necessary to prevent adverse health effects or suffering.

F. Veterinary care deemed necessary by a reasonably prudent person to relieve an animal's distress from any of the following:

(1) A condition caused by failing to provide for the animal's welfare as described in this section.

(2) An injury or illness suffered by the animal causing the animal to suffer prolonged pain and suffering.

2. This section does not apply to any of the following:

A. A person operating a commercial establishment under a valid authorization issued or renewed under Section 162.2A of the *Code of Iowa*, or a person acting under the direction or supervision of that person, if all of the following apply:

(1) The animal, as described in Subsection 1, was maintained as part of the commercial establishment's operation.

(2) In providing conditions for the welfare of the animal, as described in Subsection 1, the person complied with the standard of care requirements provided in Section 162.10A[1] of the *Code of Iowa*, including any applicable rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship applying to: (i) a State licensee or registrant operating pursuant to Section 162.10A[2a] or [2b] of the *Code of Iowa*; or (ii) a permittee operating pursuant to Section 162.10A[2c] of the *Code of Iowa*.

B. A research facility if the research facility has been issued or renewed a valid authorization by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship pursuant to Chapter 162 of the *Code of Iowa*, and performs functions within the scope of accepted practices and disciplines associated with the research facility.

*(Section 55.02 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.03 LIVESTOCK NEGLECT.** It is unlawful for a person who impounds or confines livestock in any place to fail to provide the livestock with care consistent with customary animal husbandry practices or to deprive the livestock of necessary sustenance or to injure or destroy livestock by any means that causes pain or suffering in a manner inconsistent with customary animal husbandry practices.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717.2)*

**55.04 ABANDONMENT OF CATS AND DOGS.** It is unlawful for a person who owns or has custody of a cat or dog to relinquish all rights in and duties to care for the cat or dog. This section does not apply to any of the following:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 717B.8)*

1. The delivery of a cat or dog to another person who will accept ownership and custody of the cat or dog.
2. The delivery of a cat or dog to an animal shelter or that has been issued or renewed a valid authorization by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship under Chapter 162 of the *Code of Iowa*.
3. A person who relinquishes custody of a cat at a location in which the person does not hold a legal or equitable interest, if previously the person had taken custody of the cat at the same location and provide for the cat's sterilization by a veterinarian.

*(Section 55.04 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.05 LIVESTOCK.** It is unlawful for a person to keep livestock within the City except by written consent of the Council and in compliance with the City's zoning regulations.

*(Section 55.05 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.06 AT LARGE PROHIBITED.** It is unlawful for any owner to allow an animal to run at large within the corporate limits of the City.

**55.07 DAMAGE OR INTERFERENCE.** It is unlawful for the owner of an animal to allow or permit such animal to pass upon the premises of another thereby causing damage to, or interference with, the premises.

**55.08 ANNOYANCE OR DISTURBANCE.** It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to allow or permit such dog to cause serious annoyance or disturbance to any person by frequent and habitual howling, yelping, barking, or otherwise, or by running after or chasing persons, bicycles, automobiles or other vehicles, or cause frequent and habitual disturbance to other domesticated animals which results in those animals themselves causing serious annoyance disturbance.

**55.09 VICIOUS DOGS.** It is unlawful for any person to harbor or keep a vicious dog within the City. A dog is deemed to be vicious when it has attacked or bitten any person without provocation, or when propensity to attack or bite persons exists and is known or ought reasonably to be known to the owner.

**55.10 RABIES VACCINATION.** Every owner of a dog shall obtain a rabies vaccination for such animal. It is unlawful for any person to own or have a dog in said person's possession, six months of age or over, which has not been vaccinated against rabies. Dogs kept in State or federally licensed kennels and not allowed to run at large are not subject to these vaccination requirements.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.33)*

**55.11 LIMITATION ON NUMBER.** No more than four dogs or cats shall be held for non-commercial purposes on any lot within the R-1 Restricted Residence District. Any person wishing to maintain more than four dogs or cats to operate a commercial kennel must first obtain a special permit to do so.

**55.12 OWNER'S DUTY.** It is the duty of the owner of any dog, cat, or other animal that has bitten or attacked a person or any person having knowledge of such bite or attack to report this act to a local health or law enforcement official. It is the duty of physicians and veterinarians to report to the local board of health the existence of any animal known or suspected to be suffering from rabies.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.38)*

**55.13 CONFINEMENT.** If a local board of health receives information that an animal has bitten a person or that a dog or animal is suspected of having rabies, the board shall order the owner to confine such animal in the manner it directs. If the owner fails to confine such animal in the manner directed, the animal shall be apprehended and impounded by such board, and after 10 days the board may humanely destroy the animal. If such animal is returned to its owner, the owner shall pay the cost of impoundment. This section does not apply if a police service dog or a horse used by a law enforcement agency and acting in the performance of its duties has bitten a person.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.39)*

**55.14 POOPER-SCOOPER LAW.** It is unlawful for any owner or person in charge of a dog, cat, horse, or other animal to fail to clean up and remove as soon as possible the excrement or droppings deposited by the dog, cat, horse, or other animal on any real estate, whether privately or publicly owned, other than on the premises of the owner or person in charge.

*(Section 55.14 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.15 IMPOUNDMENT.**

1. At Large. Animals found at large in violation of this chapter shall be seized and impounded, or at the discretion of the peace officer, the owner may be served a summons to appear before a proper court to answer charges made thereunder.
2. Dangerous Animal. A peace officer may cause any dangerous animal to be impounded and shall, within 48 hours after such impoundment, notify the owner that the animals have been impounded under the provisions of this chapter.
3. Impounding Costs. Before an impounded animal is released to its owner, the owner shall pay an impoundment fee of \$25.00 for the first impoundment, \$50.00 for the second impoundment, and \$75.00 for the third and each subsequent impoundment, plus a boarding fee of \$10.00 per day. Any veterinarian fees incurred during the impoundment shall also be paid by the owner prior to release of the animal.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.37)*

*(Section 55.15 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.16 DISPOSITION OF ANIMALS.** When an animal has been apprehended and impounded, written notice shall be provided to the owner within two days after impoundment, if the owner's name and current address can reasonably be determined by accessing a tag or other device that is on or part of the animal. Impounded animals may be recovered by the owner upon payment of impounding costs, and if an unvaccinated dog, by having it immediately vaccinated. If the owner fails to redeem the animal within seven days from the date that the notice is mailed, or if the owner cannot be located within seven days, the animal shall be disposed of in accordance with law or destroyed by euthanasia.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.37, 351.41)*

The peace officer may do any of the following regarding a dangerous animal that has been impounded.

1. Retain such an animal for purposes of observation and testing for a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days.
2. Release such animals to the control of its owner pursuant to a written agreement with the owner upon such terms and conditions as the Police Chief deems reasonably necessary to ensure the public safety including but not limited to any one or more of the following:
  - A. To require the owner to identify the animal by means of a special blaze orange collar.
  - B. To keep the animal confined to an owner's premises in an enclosure or by any other means approved by the Police Chief.
  - C. To keep the animal securely muzzled, leashed and under control of a person eighteen (18) years of age or older who is physically capable of restraining the animal, at all times when the animal is off the owner's premises.
  - D. To require the owner to inform by any means including, but not limited to, the postmaster, utility companies, meter readers or other persons who routinely come on the property of the owner that a dangerous animal is on the premises or if the owner moves his or her residence to another location within the City, to inform any such person that he animal is now on the new premises.
  - E. To require the owner to prove financial responsibly for any injury or damage which may be caused by the animal by posting a cash or surety bond for an amount up to \$1,000.00.
  - F. To require all impoundment fees to be paid by the owner before the said animal is released.
  - G. To require the owner to agree that any violation of the agreement will result in the animals being impounded or destroyed.

*(Section 55.16 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.17 DUTY OF OWNER TO KEEP PREMISES IN SANITARY CONDITION.** It is unlawful for the owner or person in charge of any dog, cat, horse, or other animal to permit excrement or droppings from any such animal to collect on the premises of the owner or person in charge, causing odor or unsanitary conditions. Failure to keep the premise in a clean and sanitary condition shall be deemed a nuisance.

*(Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.18 ENFORCEMENT.** The provisions of this Chapter may be enforced following personal observation/hearing by a peace officer or other authorized enforcement officer or upon receipt of a complaint made and filed with the Police Department by a citizen. The peace officer or other authorized enforcement officer is authorized to instruct such owner or resident, who is present at the time of the investigation to take reasonable action to correct the violation. In the cases of a disturbance under Section 55.08, such instructions may include, but not necessarily limited to, instructions to place the dog or animal in the residence or another fully enclosed structure that is humane and habitual for the dog or animal. A refusal to comply with the instructions of the peace officer or other authorized enforcement officer issued under this Chapter may be cited as a municipal infraction with the right to alternative relief to a civil penalty. Such alternative relief includes any action deemed necessary to correct the violation and prevent future violations. The remedies granted under this section are not exclusive and do not prohibit the City from utilizing other enforcement procedures authorized under law, including criminal sanctions.

**55.19 PET AWARDS PROHIBITED.**

*(Code of Iowa, Ch. 717E)*

1. Prohibition. It is unlawful for any person to award a pet or advertise that a pet may be awarded as any of the following:
  - A. A prize for participating in a game.
  - B. A prize for participating in a fair.
  - C. An inducement or condition for visiting a place of business or attending an event sponsored by a business.
  - D. An inducement or condition for executing a contract that includes provisions unrelated to the ownership, care or disposition of the pet.
2. Exceptions. This section does not apply to any of the following:
  - A. A pet shop licensed pursuant to Section 162.5 of the *Code of Iowa* if the award of a pet is provided in connection with the sale of a pet on the premises of the pet shop.
  - B. Youth programs associated with 4-H Clubs; Future Farmers of America; the Izaak Walton League of America; or organizations associated with outdoor recreation, hunting or fishing, including but not limited to the Iowa Sportsmen's Federation.

**55.20 DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS PROHIBITED.** It is unlawful for any person to harbor or keep a dangerous wild animal within the City without having the animal registered with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.

**55.21 DESTRUCTION OF ANIMAL; PROCESS.**

1. Notice and Appeal.
  - A. In the event the peace officer determines that a dangerous animal is to be destroyed, the peace officer shall notify the owner of such animal in writing at least ten (10) in advance of the intent to destroy the animal and further inform such owner of the owner's right to appeal as provided in this section.
  - B. The owner of such an animal may at any time prior to the date upon which the animal is to be destroyed, appeal the determination of the peace

officer to the Council by filing a written notice of such appeal with the City Clerk.

C. After receipt of the notice of appeal, the City Clerk shall calendar said appeal for hearing by the Council and shall notify the owner and the peace officer of such action.

D. The peace officer shall not thereafter destroy such animal until the Council shall have first heard the appeal and rendered its decision.

E. Any owner of a dangerous animal who fails to appear after being given notice shall be deemed to have waived any right in or claim upon such an animal or to claim any damages or the relief by reason of any action by the peace officer.

2. Decision of the Council.

A. Uphold the decision of the peace officer and order the animal destroyed, or

B. Modify, either in whole or in part, or reverse the decision of the peace officer and order the return of the animal to its owner and impose each conditions upon such return as may reasonably be necessary to ensure the public safety including, but no limited to the terms and conditions set forth in Section 55.16(2)(A) through (G) of this chapter and/or continuation of the impoundment of such animal for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from date of the hearing.

C. After the decision of the Council has been rendered, the peace officer shall take such action as is necessary to carry out such a decision.

*(Section 55.21 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.22 TAMPERING WITH A RABIES VACCINATION TAG.** It is unlawful to tamper with a rabies vaccination tag.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.45)*

1. A person commits the offense of tampering with a rabies vaccination tag if all of the following apply:

A. The person knowingly removes, damages, or destroys a rabies vaccination tag as described in Section 351.35 of the *Code of Iowa*.

B. The rabies vaccination tag is attached to a collar worn by a dog, including as provided in Section 351.25 and 351.26 of the *Code of Iowa*.

2. This section shall not apply to an act taken by any of the following:

A. The owner of the dog, an agent of the owner, or a person authorized to take action by the owner.

B. A peace officer.

C. A veterinarian.

D. An animal shelter or pound.

*(Section 55.22 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**55.23 TAMPRING WITH AN ELECTRONIC HANDLING DEVICE.** It is unlawful to tamper with an electronic handling device.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.46)*

1. A person commits the offense of tampering with an electronic handling device if all of the following apply:
  - A. The person knowingly removes, disables, or destroys an electronic device designed and used to maintain custody or control of the dog or modify the dog's behavior.
  - B. The electronic device is attached to or worn by the dog or attached to an item worn by the dog, including (but not limited to) a collar, harness, or vest.
2. This section shall not apply to an act taken by any of the following:
  - A. The owner of the dog, an agent of the owner, or a person authorized to take action by the owner.
  - B. A peace officer.
  - C. A veterinarian.
  - D. An animal shelter or pound.

*(Section 55.23 – Ord. 2020-4 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

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## CHAPTER 60

# ADMINISTRATION OF TRAFFIC CODE

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**60.01 TITLE.** Chapters 60 through 70 of this Code of Ordinances may be known and cited as the "Frederika Traffic Code" (and are referred to herein as the "Traffic Code.")

**60.02 DEFINITIONS.** Where words and phrases used in the Traffic Code are defined by State law, such definitions apply to their use in said Traffic Code and are adopted by reference. Those definitions so adopted that need further definition or are reiterated, and other words and phrases used herein, have the following meanings:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.1)*

1. "Business District" means the territory contiguous to and including a highway when 50 percent or more of the frontage thereon for a distance of 300 feet or more is occupied by buildings in use for business.
2. "Park" or "parking" means the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading merchandise or passengers.
3. "Peace officer" means every officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of traffic regulations.
4. "Residence district" means the territory contiguous to and including a highway not comprising a business, suburban or school district, where 40 percent or more of the frontage on such a highway for a distance of 300 feet or more is occupied by dwellings or by dwellings and buildings in use for business.
5. "School district" means the territory contiguous to and including a highway for a distance of 200 feet in either direction from a schoolhouse.
6. "Stand" or "standing" means the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers.
7. "Stop" means when required, the complete cessation of movement.
8. "Stop" or "stopping" means when prohibited, any halting of a vehicle, even momentarily, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or traffic control sign or signal.
9. "Suburban district" means all other parts of the City not included in the business, school, or residence districts.
10. "Traffic control device" means all signs, signals, markings, and devices not inconsistent with this chapter, lawfully placed or erected for the purpose of regulating, warning, or guiding traffic.

11. “Vehicle” means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway, street, or alley.

**60.03 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT.** Provisions of this Traffic Code and State law relating to motor vehicles and law of the road are enforced by the peace officer.

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

**60.04 POWER TO DIRECT TRAFFIC.** A peace officer or, in the absence of a peace officer, any officer of the Fire Department when at the scene of a fire, is authorized to direct all traffic by voice, hand, or signal in conformance with traffic laws. In the event of an emergency, traffic may be directed as conditions require, notwithstanding the provisions of the traffic laws.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 102.4 & 321.236[2])*

**60.05 REPORTS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.** The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident within the limits of the City shall file a report as and when required by the Iowa Department of Transportation. A copy of this report shall be filed with the City for the confidential use of peace officers and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 321.271 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.273)*

**60.06 PEACE OFFICER’S AUTHORITY.** A peace officer is authorized to stop a vehicle to require exhibition of the driver’s license of the driver, to serve a summons or memorandum of traffic violation, to inspect the condition of the vehicle, to inspect the vehicle with reference to size, weight, cargo, log book, bills of lading or other manifest of employment, tires and safety equipment, or to inspect the registration certificate, the compensation certificate, travel order, or permit of such vehicle. A peace officer having probable cause to stop a vehicle may require exhibition of the proof of financial liability coverage card issued for the vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.492)*

**60.07 OBEDIENCE TO PEACE OFFICERS.** No person shall willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of any peace officer invested by law with authority to direct, control or regulate traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.229)*

**60.08 PARADES REGULATED.** No person shall conduct or cause any parade on any street except as provided herein:

1. Definition. “Parade” means any march or procession of persons or vehicles organized for marching or moving on the streets in an organized fashion or manner or any march or procession of persons or vehicles represented or advertised to the public as a parade.
2. Approval Required. No parade shall be conducted without first obtaining approval from the Council. The person organizing or sponsoring the parade shall provide information concerning the time and date for the parade and the streets or general route therefor, and any approval given to such person includes all participants in the parade, provided they have been invited to participate.
3. Parade Not a Street Obstruction. Any parade for which approval has been issued as herein required, and the persons lawfully participating therein, shall not be deemed an obstruction of the streets notwithstanding the provisions of any other ordinance to the contrary.

4. Control by Police and Firefighters. Persons participating in any parade shall at all times be subject to the lawful orders and directions in the performance of their duties of law enforcement personnel and members of the Fire Department.

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# CHAPTER 61

## TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

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**61.01 INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.** The Council shall establish by resolution, and cause to be placed and maintained, appropriate traffic control devices to indicate parking spaces and zones, no parking zones, limited parking zones, reserved parking zones, loading zones, safety zones, school zones, hospital zones, quiet zones, traffic zones other than the above, truck routes, school stops, stop intersections, yield right-of-way intersections, one-way streets, streets to be laned for traffic, and play streets. The Council shall also have the power to designate and indicate by resolution intersections at which traffic shall be controlled by traffic signals; intersections at which left turns, right turns and U-turns shall be prohibited; and intersections at which markers, buttons or other indications shall be placed to indicate the course to be traveled by vehicles traversing or turning at such intersections. The City shall keep a record of all such traffic control devices.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.254 & 321.255)*

**61.02 COMPLIANCE.** No driver of a vehicle shall disobey the instructions of any official traffic control device placed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, unless at the time otherwise directed by a peace officer, subject to the exceptions granted the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle under Section 321.231 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.256)*

**61.03 CROSSWALKS.** The Council is hereby authorized to designate and maintain crosswalks by appropriate traffic control devices at intersections where, due to traffic conditions, there is particular danger to pedestrians crossing the street or roadway, and at such other places as traffic conditions require.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4] & 321.255)*

**61.04 TRAFFIC LANES.** Where traffic lanes have been marked on street pavements at such places as traffic conditions require, it is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to fail or refuse to keep such vehicle within the boundaries of any such lane except when lawfully passing another vehicle or preparatory to making a lawful turning movement.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[4] & 321.255)*

**61.05 STANDARDS.** Traffic control devices shall comply with standards established by *The Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.255)*

**61.06 TEMPORARY DEVICES.** The Police Chief and Fire Chief are hereby authorized to place temporary traffic control devices for the duration of an emergency, specific event, or temporary condition, as traffic conditions may require, to regulate, guide, or warn traffic and to block off streets without prior Council approval.

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## CHAPTER 62

# GENERAL TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

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**62.01 VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS.** Any person who willfully fails or refuses to comply with any lawful order of a peace officer or direction of a Fire Department officer during a fire, or who fails to abide by the applicable provisions of the following Iowa statutory laws relating to motor vehicles and the statutory law of the road is in violation of this section. These sections of the *Code of Iowa* are adopted by reference and are as follows:

1. Display of Registration and License to Drive: 321.17, 321.32, 321.37, 321.38, 321.57, 321.67, 321.78, 321.79, 321.91, 321.98, 321.99, 321.104, 321.115, 321.174, 321.174A, 321.180, 321.180B, 321.193, 321.194, 321.208A, 321.216, 321.216B, 321.216C and 321.218 through 321.224.
2. All-Terrain Vehicles, Golf Carts, and Bicycles to Obey Traffic Regulations, Speed Detection Jamming Devices, Road Workers: 321.232 through 321.234A, 235A and 321.247.
3. Traffic Signs, Signals, and Markings: 321.259 and 321.260.
4. Accidents and Accident Reporting: 321.262 through 321.266.
5. Operation of Motorcycles and Motorized Bicycles: 321.275.
6. Drag Racing; Speed; Open Containers; Control of Vehicle: 321.276, 321.277, 321.277A, 321.278, 321.281, 321.284, 321.284A, 321.288, 321.295, 321.333, 321.382 and 321.383.
7. Driving on Right, Meeting, Overtaking, Following, or Towing: 321.297 through 321.299 and 321.302 through 321.310.
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9. Right-of-Way: 321.319 through 321.324A.
10. Pedestrian Rights and Duties and Safety Zones: 321.329, 321.330, 321.332, 321.333, and 321.340.
11. Railroad Crossings: 321.341 through 321.344 and 321.344B.
12. Stopping, Standing, Parking: 321.354 and 321.359.
13. Unattended Vehicle, Obstructing Driver's View, Crossing Median, Following Fire Apparatus, or Crossing Fire Hose, and Putting Glass, Etc., on Streets: 321.362 through 321.365 and 321.367 through 321.371.
14. School Buses: 321.372.
15. Lighting Equipment Required and Time of Use: 321.384 through 321.390, 321.392 through 321.395, 321.398, 321.402 through 321.405, 321.408, 321.409, 321.415, 321.417 through 321.423. In accordance with authorization granted by

Section 321.395, *Code of Iowa*, motor vehicles parked upon any street where permitted by this chapter need not display required lights where there is sufficient light emitted from City street lights to reveal any person or object within a distance of five hundred (500) feet upon such street.

16. Brakes, Horns, Sirens, Mufflers, Wipers, Mirrors, Tires, Flares, Windows, Safety Belts, Texting, and Special Markings for Transporting Explosives: 321.430 through 321.434; 321.436 through 321.442; 321.444 through 321.446, 321.449, 321.449A, 321.449B and 321.450.

17. Size, Weight, and Load: 321.454 through 321.458, 321.460 through 321.463, 321.465 and 321.466.

18. Unsafe Vehicles: 321.381 and 321.381A.

**62.02 PLAY STREETS DESIGNATED.** Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating any street or part thereof as a play street, no person shall drive a vehicle upon any such street or portion thereof except drivers of vehicles having business or whose residences are within such closed area, and then any said driver shall exercise the greatest care in driving upon any such street or portion thereof.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.255)*

**62.03 VEHICLES ON SIDEWALKS.** The driver of a vehicle shall not drive upon or within any sidewalk area except at a driveway.

**62.04 CLINGING TO VEHICLE.** No person shall drive a motor vehicle on the streets of the City unless all passengers of said vehicle are inside the vehicle in the place intended for their accommodation. No person riding upon any bicycle, coaster, roller skates, in-line skates, sled, or toy vehicle shall attach the same or himself or herself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

**62.05 QUIET ZONES.** Whenever authorized signs are erected indicating a quiet zone, no person operating a motor vehicle within any such zone shall sound the horn or other warning device of such vehicle except in an emergency.

**62.06 OBSTRUCTING VIEW AT INTERSECTIONS.** It is unlawful to allow any tree, hedge, billboard, or other object to obstruct the view of an intersection by preventing persons from having a clear view of traffic approaching the intersection from cross streets. Any such obstruction is deemed a nuisance and in addition to the standard penalty may be abated in the manner provided by Chapter 50 of this Code of Ordinances.

## CHAPTER 63

# SPEED REGULATIONS

**63.01 General**

**63.02 State Code Speed Limits**

**63.03 Parks, Cemeteries and Parking Lots**

**63.04 Special Speed Zones**

**63.05 Minimum Speed**

**63.01 GENERAL.** Every driver of a motor vehicle on a street shall drive the same at a careful and prudent speed not greater than nor less than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the street and of any other conditions then existing, and no person shall drive a vehicle on any street at a speed greater than will permit said driver to bring it to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead, such driver having the right to assume, however, that all persons using said street will observe the law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.285)*

**63.02 STATE CODE SPEED LIMITS.** The following speed limits are established in Section 321.285 of the *Code of Iowa* and any speed in excess thereof is unlawful unless specifically designated otherwise in this chapter as a special speed zone.

1. Business District – 20 miles per hour.
2. Residence or School District – 25 miles per hour.
3. Suburban District – 45 miles per hour.

**63.03 PARKS, CEMETERIES AND PARKING LOTS.** A speed in excess of 15 miles per hour in any public park, cemetery or parking lot, unless specifically designated otherwise in this chapter, is unlawful.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[5])*

**63.04 SPECIAL SPEED ZONES.** In accordance with requirements of the Iowa Department of Transportation, or whenever the Council shall determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any speed limit listed in Section 63.02 is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under the conditions found to exist at any intersection or other place or upon any part of the City street system, the Council shall determine and adopt by ordinance such higher or lower speed limit as it deems reasonable and safe at such location. The following special speed zones have been established:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.290)*

1. Special 25 MPH Speed Zones. A speed in excess of 25 miles per hour is unlawful on any of the following designated streets or parts thereof.
  - A. In any suburban district.

**63.05 MINIMUM SPEED.** A person shall not drive a motor vehicle at such a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation, or in compliance with law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.294)*

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## CHAPTER 64

# TURNING REGULATIONS

### 64.01 Turning at Intersections

### 64.02 U-Turns

**64.01 TURNING AT INTERSECTIONS.** The driver of a vehicle intending to turn at an intersection shall do so as follows:

1. Both the approach for a right turn and a right turn shall be made as close as practical to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway.
2. Approach for a left turn shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the centerline thereof and after entering the intersection the left turn shall be made so as to depart from the intersection to the right of the centerline of the roadway being entered.
3. Approach for a left turn from a two-way street into a one-way street shall be made in that portion of the right half of the roadway nearest the centerline thereof and by passing to the right of such centerline where it enters the intersection. A left turn from a one-way street into a two-way street shall be made by passing to the right of the centerline of the street being entered upon leaving the intersection.

The Council may cause markers, buttons or signs to be placed within or adjacent to intersections and thereby require and direct, as traffic conditions require, that a different course from that specified above be traveled by vehicles turning at intersections, and when markers, buttons or signs are so placed, no driver of a vehicle shall turn a vehicle at an intersection other than as directed and required by such markers, buttons or signs.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.311)*

**64.02 U-TURNS.** It is unlawful for a driver to make a U-turn except at an intersection; however, U-turns are prohibited within the Business District and at any intersection where a sign prohibiting U-turns is posted in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[9])*

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## CHAPTER 65

### STOP OR YIELD REQUIRED

65.01 Stop or Yield

65.02 School Stops

65.03 Stop Before Crossing Sidewalk

65.04 Stop When Traffic Is Obstructed

65.05 Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalks

**65.01 STOP OR YIELD.** Every driver of a vehicle shall stop or yield as directed by traffic control devices posted in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code.

**65.02 SCHOOL STOPS.** At any school crossing zone, every driver of a vehicle approaching said zone shall bring the vehicle to a full stop at a point 10 feet from the approach side of the crosswalk marked by an authorized school stop sign and thereafter proceed in a careful and prudent manner until the vehicle shall have passed through such school crossing zone.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.249)*

**65.03 STOP BEFORE CROSSING SIDEWALK.** The driver of a vehicle emerging from a private roadway, alley, driveway, or building shall stop such vehicle immediately prior to driving onto the sidewalk area and thereafter shall proceed into the sidewalk area only when able to do so without danger to pedestrian traffic and shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicular traffic on the street into which the vehicle is entering.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.353)*

**65.04 STOP WHEN TRAFFIC IS OBSTRUCTED.** Notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed, no driver shall enter an intersection or a marked crosswalk unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection or crosswalk to accommodate the vehicle.

**65.05 YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALKS.** Where traffic control signals are not in place or in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping, if need be, to yield to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.327)*

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## CHAPTER 66

# LOAD AND WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

66.01 Temporary Embargo

66.02 Permits for Excess Size and Weight

66.03 Load Limits Upon Certain Streets

66.04 Load Limits on Bridges

66.05 Truck Routes

**66.01 TEMPORARY EMBARGO.** If the Council declares an embargo when it appears by reason of deterioration, rain, snow or other climatic conditions that certain streets will be seriously damaged or destroyed by vehicles weighing in excess of an amount specified by the signs, no such vehicles shall be operated on streets so designated by such signs erected in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.471 & 472)*

**66.02 PERMITS FOR EXCESS SIZE AND WEIGHT.** The Council may, upon application and good cause being shown therefor, issue a special permit in writing authorizing the applicant to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size or weight or load exceeding the maximum specified by State law or the City over those streets or bridges named in the permit which are under the jurisdiction of the City and for which the City is responsible for maintenance.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473 & 321E.1)*

**66.03 LOAD LIMITS UPON CERTAIN STREETS.** When signs are erected giving notice thereof, no person shall operate any vehicle with a gross weight in excess of the amounts specified on such signs at any time upon any of the streets or parts of streets for which said signs are erected in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473 & 475)*

**66.04 LOAD LIMITS ON BRIDGES.** Where it has been determined that any City bridge has a capacity less than the maximum permitted on the streets of the City, or on the street serving the bridge, the Council may cause to be posted and maintained signs, in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code, on said bridge and at suitable distances ahead of the entrances thereof to warn drivers of such maximum load limits, and no person shall drive a vehicle weighing, loaded or unloaded, upon said bridge in excess of such posted limit.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.471)*

**66.05 TRUCK ROUTE.** When truck routes have been designated in accordance with Chapter 61, any motor vehicle exceeding established weight limits shall comply with the following:

1. Use of Established Routes. Every such motor vehicle having no fixed terminal within the City or making no scheduled or definite stops within the City for the purpose of loading or unloading shall travel over or upon those streets within the City designated as truck routes and none other.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473)*

2. Deliveries Off Truck Route. Any such motor vehicle, when loaded or empty, having a fixed terminal, making a scheduled or definite stop within the City for the purpose of loading or unloading shall proceed over or upon the designated routes to the

nearest point of its scheduled or definite stop and shall proceed thereto, load or unload and return, by the most direct route to its point of departure from said designated route.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473)*

3. Employer's Responsibility. The owner, or any other person, employing or otherwise directing the driver of any vehicle shall not require or knowingly permit the operation of such vehicle upon a street in any manner contrary to this section.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.473)*

**CHAPTER 67**  
**PEDESTRIANS**

**67.01 Walking in Street**  
**67.02 Hitchhiking**

**67.03 Pedestrian Crossing**

**67.01 WALKING IN STREET.** Pedestrians shall at all times when walking on or along a street, walk on the left side of the street.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.326)*

**67.02 HITCHHIKING.** No person shall stand in the traveled portion of a street for the purpose of soliciting a ride from the driver of any private vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.331)*

**67.03 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING.** Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.328)*

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**CHAPTER 68**  
**ONE-WAY TRAFFIC**

**68.01 ONE-WAY TRAFFIC REQUIRED.** When appropriate signs are in place, as provided for in Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code, vehicular traffic, other than permitted cross traffic, shall move only in the direction indicated on such signs.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[4])*

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## CHAPTER 69

# PARKING REGULATIONS

69.01 Parking Limited or Controlled

69.02 Park Adjacent to Curb

69.03 Parking on One-Way Streets

69.04 Angle Parking

69.05 Manner of Angle Parking

69.06 Parking for Certain Purposes Illegal

69.07 Parking Prohibited

69.08 Persons with Disabilities Parking

69.09 Truck Parking Limited

69.10 Snow Emergency

**69.01 PARKING LIMITED OR CONTROLLED.** Parking of vehicles shall be controlled or limited where so indicated by designated traffic control devices in accordance with Chapter 61 of this Traffic Code. No person shall stop, park or stand a vehicle in violation of any such posted parking regulations unless in compliance with the directions of a peace officer.

**69.02 PARK ADJACENT TO CURB.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle in a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the right-hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as hereinafter provided in the case of angle parking and vehicles parked on the left-hand side of one-way streets.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)*

**69.03 PARKING ON ONE-WAY STREETS.** No person shall stand or park a vehicle on the left-hand side of a one-way street other than parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the left-hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway except as hereinafter provided in the case of angle parking.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)*

**69.04 ANGLE PARKING.** Angle or diagonal parking is permitted only in the following locations:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)*

1. Third Street on both sides from First Avenue to Second Avenue.
2. Second Avenue on the east side from Third Street north to alley.
3. Second Avenue on the west side from Second Street south to alley.

**69.05 MANNER OF ANGLE PARKING.** Upon those streets or portions of streets which have been signed or marked for angle parking, no person shall park or stand a vehicle other than at an angle to the curb or edge of the roadway or in the center of the roadway as indicated by such signs and markings. No part of any vehicle or the load thereon, when said vehicle is parked within a diagonal parking district, shall extend into the roadway more than a distance of 16 feet when measured at right angles to the adjacent curb or edge of roadway.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.361)*

**69.06 PARKING FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES ILLEGAL.** No person shall park a vehicle upon public property for more than 48 hours, unless otherwise limited under the provisions of Section 69.01 of this chapter, or for any of the following principal purposes:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

1. Sale. Displaying such vehicle for sale.
2. Repairing. For lubricating, repairing or for commercial washing of such vehicle except such repairs as are necessitated by an emergency.
3. Advertising. Displaying advertising.
4. Merchandise Sales. Selling merchandise from such vehicle except in a duly established market place or when so authorized or licensed under the Code of Ordinances.

**69.07 PARKING PROHIBITED.** No one shall stop, stand or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a peace officer or traffic control device, in any of the following places:

1. Crosswalk. On a crosswalk.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[5])*
2. Center Parkway. On the center parkway or dividing area of any divided street.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*
3. Mailboxes. Within 20 feet on either side of a mailbox which is so placed and so equipped as to permit the depositing of mail from vehicles on the roadway.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*
4. Sidewalks. On or across a sidewalk.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[1])*
5. Driveway. In front of a public or private driveway.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[2])*
6. Intersection. Within an intersection or within 10 feet of an intersection of any street or alley.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[3])*
7. Fire Hydrant. Within five feet of a fire hydrant.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[4])*
8. Stop Sign or Signal. Within 10 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop or yield sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of a roadway.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[6])*
9. Railroad Crossing. Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing, except when parked parallel with such rail and not exhibiting a red light.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[8])*
10. Fire Station. Within 20 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of said entrance when properly sign posted.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[9])*
11. Excavations. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would obstruct traffic.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[10])*
12. Double Parking. On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street.  
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[11])*

13. Hazardous Locations. When, because of restricted visibility or when standing or parked vehicles would constitute a hazard to moving traffic, or when other traffic conditions require, the Council may cause curbs to be painted with a yellow color and erect no parking or standing signs.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[13])*

14. Churches, Nursing Homes and Other Buildings. A space of 50 feet is hereby reserved at the side of the street in front of any theatre, auditorium, hotel having more than 25 sleeping rooms, hospital, nursing home, taxicab stand, bus depot, church, or other building where large assemblages of people are being held, within which space, when clearly marked as such, no motor vehicle shall be left standing, parked or stopped except in taking on or discharging passengers or freight, and then only for such length of time as is necessary for such purpose.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.360)*

15. Alleys. No person shall park a vehicle within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic, and no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle within an alley in such a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a vehicle parked in any alley which is 18 feet wide or less; provided said vehicle is parked to deliver goods or services.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

16. Ramps. In front of a curb cut or ramp which is located on public or private property in a manner which blocks access to the curb cut or ramp.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.358[15])*

17. Area Between Lot Line and Curb Line. That area of the public way not covered by sidewalk and lying between the lot line and the curb line, where curbing has been installed.

18. In More Than One Space. In any designated parking space so that any part of the vehicle occupies more than one such space or protrudes beyond the markings designating such space.

**69.08 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PARKING.** The following regulations shall apply to the establishment and use of persons with disabilities parking spaces:

1. Establishment. Persons with disabilities parking spaces shall be established and designated in accordance with Chapter 321L of the *Code of Iowa* and Iowa Administrative Code, 661-18. No unauthorized person shall establish any on-street persons with disabilities parking space without first obtaining Council approval.

2. Improper Use. The following uses of a persons with disabilities parking space, located on either public or private property, constitute improper use of a persons with disabilities parking permit, which is a violation of this Code of Ordinances:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321L.4[2])*

A. Use by an operator of a vehicle not displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit;

B. Use by an operator of a vehicle displaying a persons with disabilities parking permit but not being used by a person issued a permit or being transported in accordance with Section 321L.2[1b] of the *Code of Iowa*;

- C. Use by a vehicle in violation of the rules adopted under Section 321L.8 of the *Code of Iowa*.
3. Wheelchair Parking Cones. No person shall use or interfere with a wheelchair parking cone in violation of the following:
- A. A person issued a persons with disabilities parking permit must comply with the requirements of Section 321L.2A[1] of the *Code of Iowa* when utilizing a wheelchair parking cone.
- B. A person shall not interfere with a wheelchair parking cone which is properly placed under the provisions of Section 321L.2A[1] of the *Code of Iowa*.

**69.09 TRUCK PARKING LIMITED.** No person shall park a motor truck, semi-trailer, or other motor vehicle with trailer attached on any street excepting only when such vehicles are actually engaged in the delivery or receiving of merchandise or cargo. When actually receiving or delivering merchandise or cargo, such vehicle shall be stopped or parked in a manner which will not interfere with other traffic. The provisions of this section do not apply to pickup, light delivery or panel delivery trucks.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236 [1])*

**69.10 SNOW EMERGENCY.**

1. All of the streets within the City are deemed snow routes. When conditions of snow or ice exist on the traffic surface of a designated snow route, it is unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to impede or block traffic.
2. When weather forecasts or occurrences indicate the need, the Mayor shall proclaim a snow emergency and shall inform the news media to publicize the proclamation and the parking rules under the emergency. The proclamation shall state the date and time that the snow emergency shall take effect. The emergency may be extended or shortened when conditions warrant.
3. No person shall park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area during snow emergency or when there is a minimum of four inches of snow on the road surface unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area. A snow emergency parking ban shall continue from its proclamation throughout the duration of the snow or ice storm and the 48-hour period after cessation of such storm except as above provided upon streets which have been fully opened.

*(Code of Iowa, 321.236[1])*

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## CHAPTER 70

# TRAFFIC CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

70.01 Arrest or Citation

70.02 Scheduled Violations

70.03 Parking Violations: Vehicle Unattended

70.04 Presumption in Reference to Illegal Parking

70.05 Impounding Vehicles

**70.01 ARREST OR CITATION.** Whenever a peace officer has reasonable cause to believe that a person has violated any provision of the Traffic Code, such officer may:

1. Immediate Arrest. Immediately arrest such person and take such person before a local magistrate; or
2. Issue Citation. Without arresting the person, prepare in quintuplicate a combined traffic citation and complaint as adopted by the Iowa Commissioner of Public Safety, or issue a uniform citation and complaint utilizing a State-approved computerized device.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 805.6 & 321.485)*

**70.02 SCHEDULED VIOLATIONS.** For violations of the Traffic Code that are designated by Section 805.8A of the *Code of Iowa* to be scheduled violations, the scheduled fine for each of those violations shall be as specified in Section 805.8A of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 805.8 & 805.8A)*

**70.03 PARKING VIOLATIONS: VEHICLE UNATTENDED.** When a vehicle is parked in violation of any provision of the Traffic Code, and the driver is not present, the citation as herein provided shall be attached to the vehicle in a conspicuous place.

**70.04 PRESUMPTION IN REFERENCE TO ILLEGAL PARKING.** In any proceeding charging a standing or parking violation, a prima facie presumption that the registered owner was the person who parked or placed such vehicle at the point where, and for the time during which, such violation occurred shall be raised by proof that:

1. Described Vehicle. The particular vehicle described in the information was parked in violation of the Traffic Code; and
2. Registered Owner. The defendant named in the information was the registered owner at the time in question.

**70.05 IMPOUNDING VEHICLES.** A peace officer is hereby authorized to remove, or cause to be removed, a vehicle from a street, public alley, public parking lot or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage designated or maintained by the City, under the circumstances hereinafter enumerated:

1. Disabled Vehicle. When a vehicle is so disabled as to constitute an obstruction to traffic and the person or persons in charge of the vehicle are by reason of physical injury incapacitated to such an extent as to be unable to provide for its custody or removal.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

2. Illegally Parked Vehicle. When any vehicle is left unattended and is so illegally parked as to constitute a definite hazard or obstruction to the normal movement of traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

3. Snow Removal. When any vehicle is left parked in violation of a ban on parking during snow removal operations.

4. Parked Over Limited Time Period. When any vehicle is left parked for a continuous period in violation of any limited parking time. If the owner can be located, the owner shall be given an opportunity to remove the vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

5. Costs. In addition to the standard penalties provided, the owner or driver of any vehicle impounded for the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be required to pay the reasonable cost of towing and storage.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.236[1])*

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## CHAPTER 75

# ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES, OFF-ROAD UTILITY VEHICLES, OFF-ROAD MOTORCYCLES, AND SNOWMOBILES

75.01 Purpose	75.07 Negligence
75.02 Definitions	75.08 Accident Reports
75.03 General Regulations	75.09 Equipment
75.04 Operation of Snowmobiles	75.10 Times of Operation
75.05 Operation of All-Terrain Vehicles	75.11 Speed
75.06 Operation of Off-Road Utility Vehicles	75.12 Penalty

**75.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to regulate the operation of any all-terrain vehicle, off-road utility vehicles, off-road motorcycle or snowmobiles within the City.

**75.02 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter, the following terms are defined as follows:

1. “All-terrain vehicle” or “ATV” means a motorized vehicle, with not less than three and not more than six non-highway tires, that is limited in engine displacement to less than one thousand (1,000) cubic centimeters and in total dry weight to less than one thousand two hundred (1,200) pounds and that has a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control.

*(Iowa Code §321I.1(1)(a))*

2. “Off-road motorcycle” means a two-wheeled motor vehicle that has a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control and that is intended by the manufacturer for use on natural terrain. “Off-road motorcycle” includes a motorcycle that was originally issued a certificate of title and registered for highway use under Chapter 321 of the *Code of Iowa*, but that contains design features that enable operation over natural terrain. An operator of an off-road motorcycle is also subject to the provisions of this chapter governing the operation of all-terrain vehicles.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.1)*

3. “Off-road utility vehicle” means a motorized vehicle, with not less than four and not more than eight non-highway tires or rubberized tracks, that has a seat that is of bucket or bench design, not intended to be straddled by the operator, and a steering wheel or control levers for control. An operator of an off-road utility vehicle is also subject to the provisions of this chapter governing the operation of all-terrain vehicles. “Off-road utility vehicle” includes the following vehicles:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321I.1)*

A. “Off-road utility vehicle – type 1” includes vehicles with a total dry weight of one thousand two hundred (1,200) pounds or less and a width of fifty (50) inches or less.

B. “Off-road utility vehicle – type 2” includes vehicles, other than type 1 vehicles, with a total dry weight of two thousand (2,000) pounds or less and a width of sixty-five (65) inches or less.

C. “Off-road utility vehicle – type 3” includes vehicles with a total dry weight of more than two thousand (2,000) pounds or a width of more than sixty-five (65) inches, or both.

4. “Snowmobile” means a motorized vehicle that weighs less than 1,000 pounds, that uses sled-type runners or skis, endless belt-type tread with a width of 48 inches or less, or any combination of runners, skis, or treat, and is designed for travel on snow or ice. “Snowmobile” does not include an all-terrain vehicle that has been altered or equipped with runners, skis, belt-type tracks or treads.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.1)*

5. “Operate” means to ride in or on (other than as a passenger), use, or control the operation of a vehicle in any manner, whether or not the vehicle is moving.

6. “Operator” means a person who operates or is in actual physical control of a vehicle.

7. “Roadway” means that portion of a highway improved, designated, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel.

8. “Street” or “highway” means that entire width between property lines of every way or place of whatever nature when any part thereof is open to the use of the public, as a matter of right, for the purpose vehicular travel.

**75.03 GENERAL REGULATIONS.** No person shall operate an ATV, off-road utility vehicle or off-road motorcycle within the City in violation of Chapter 321I of the *Code of Iowa* or in violation of rules established by the Natural Resource Commission of the Department of Natural Resources governing their registration, numbering, equipment, and manner of operation. Off-road motorcycles shall not be operated within the City limits of Frederika unless they are properly licensed under Iowa Code

*(Iowa Code Chapter 321I)*

**75.04 OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES.** The operators of snowmobiles shall comply with the following restrictions as to where snowmobiles may be operated within the City:

1. Streets. Snowmobiles shall be operated only upon streets that have not been plowed during the snow season and on such other streets as may be designated by resolution of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[4a])*

2. Exceptions. Snowmobiles may be operated on prohibited streets only under the following circumstances:

A. Emergencies. Snowmobiles may be operated on any street in an emergency during the period of time when and at locations where snow upon the roadway renders travel by conventional motor vehicles impractical.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[4c])*

B. Direct Crossing. Snowmobiles may make a direct crossing of a prohibited street provided all of the following occur:

(1) The crossing is made of an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the street and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing;

(2) The snowmobile is brought to a complete stop before crossing the street;

(3) The driver yields the right-of-way to all on-coming traffic that constitutes an immediate hazard; and

(4) In crossing a divided street, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such street with another street.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[2])*

3. **Railroad Right-of-Way.** Snowmobiles shall not be operated on an operating railroad right-of-way. A snowmobile may be driven directly across a railroad right-of-way only at an established crossing and notwithstanding any other provisions of law may, if necessary, use the improved portion of the established crossing after yielding to all oncoming traffic.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.13[1h])*

4. **Trails.** Snowmobiles shall not be operated on all-terrain vehicle trails except where so designated.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321G.9[4f])*

5. **Parks and Other City Land.** Snowmobiles shall not be operated in any park, playground or upon any other City-owned property without the express permission of the City. A snowmobile shall not be operated on any City land without a snow cover of at least one-tenth of one inch.

6. **Sidewalk or Parking.** Snowmobiles shall not be operated upon the public sidewalk or that portion of the street located between the curb line and the sidewalk or property line commonly referred to as the “parking” except for purposes of crossing the same to a public street upon which operation is authorized by this chapter.

**75.05 OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.** The operators of all-terrain vehicles shall comply with the following restrictions as to the manner in which all-terrain vehicles may be operated within the City:

1. **Streets.** All-terrain vehicles may be operated on streets only in accordance with Iowa Code §321.234A or on such streets as may be designated by resolution of the Council for the operation of registered all-terrain vehicles. In designating such streets, the Council may authorize all-terrain vehicles to stop at service stations or convenience stores along designated streets.

*(Iowa Code §321I.10[1&3])*

2. **Trails.** All-terrain vehicles shall not be operated on snowmobile trails except where designated.

*(Iowa Code §321I.10(4))*

3. **Railroad Right-of-Way.** All-terrain vehicles shall not be operated on an operating railroad right-of-way. An all-terrain vehicle may be driven directly across a railroad right-of-way only at an established crossing and notwithstanding any other provisions of law may, if necessary, use the improved portion of the established crossing after yielding to all oncoming traffic.

*(Iowa Code §321I.14(1)(h))*

4. **Parks and Other City Land.** All-terrain vehicles shall not be operated in any park, playground or upon any other City-owned property without the express permission of the City.

5. Sidewalk or Parking. All-terrain vehicles shall not be operated upon the public sidewalk or that portion of the street located between the curb line and the sidewalk or property line.
6. All-terrain vehicles shall not be operated in a careless, reckless, or negligent manner as to endanger the operator, a passenger, other person, or property of another or cause injury or damage thereto.
7. All-terrain vehicles shall be operated upon the streets and alleys of the City by persons possessing a valid driver's license, and at least 16 years of age, except as prohibited within this chapter.
8. All-terrain vehicles shall not be operated by any person under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance.
9. All owners and operators of all-terrain vehicles shall maintain a policy of liability insurance which is issued by an insurance carrier authorized to do business in the State of Iowa to or for the benefit of the person named in the policy as insured and insuring the person named as insured and any person using the vehicle with the express or implied permission of the named insured against loss from liability imposed by the law for damages arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of an insured vehicle in the amounts not less than the minimum limits specified for motor vehicles in Section 321A.21 of the *Code of Iowa*.

**75.06 OPERATION OF OFF-ROAD UTILITY VEHICLES.** The operators of off-road utility vehicles shall comply with the following restrictions as to where off-road utility vehicles may be operated within the City:

1. Streets. Off-road utility vehicles may be operated on streets only in accordance with Iowa Code §321.234A or on such streets as may be designated by resolution of the Council for the operation of registered off-road utility vehicles. In designating such streets, the Council may authorize off-road utility vehicles to stop at service stations or convenience stores along designated streets.  
*(Iowa Code §3211.10(1&3))*
2. Trails. Off-road utility vehicles shall not be operated on snowmobile trails except where designated.  
*(Iowa Code §3211.10(4))*
3. Railroad Right-of-Way. Off-road utility vehicles shall not be operated on an operating railroad right-of-way but may be driven directly across a railroad right-of-way only at an established crossing and notwithstanding any other provisions of law may, if necessary, use the improved portion of the established crossing after yielding to all oncoming traffic.  
*(Iowa Code §3211.14(l)(h))*
4. Parks and Other City Land. Off-road utility vehicles shall not be operated in any park, playground or upon any other City-owned property without the express permission of the City.
5. Sidewalk or Parking. Off-road utility vehicles shall not be operated upon the public sidewalk or that portion of the street located between the curb line and the sidewalk or property line.

6. Off-road utility vehicles shall not be operated in a careless, reckless, or negligent manner as to endanger the operator, a passenger, other person, or property of another or cause injury or damage thereto.
7. Off-road utility vehicles shall be operated upon the street and alleys of the City by persons possessing a valid driver's license, and a least 16 years of age, except as prohibited within this chapter.
8. Off-road utility vehicles shall not be operated by any person under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance.
9. All owners and operators of off-road utility vehicles shall maintain a policy of liability insurance which is issued by an insurance carrier authorized to do business in the State of Iowa or for the benefit of the person named in the policy as insured and insuring the person named as insured and any person using the vehicle with the express or implied permission of the named insured against loss from liability imposed by the law for damages arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of an insured vehicle in the amounts not less than the minimum limits specified for motor vehicles in Section 321A.21 of the *Code of Iowa*.

**75.07 NEGLIGENCE.** This section shall apply to all off-road utility vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, off-road motorcycles and snowmobiles. The owner and operator is liable for any injury or damage occasioned by the negligent operation. The owner shall be liable for any such injury or damage only if the owner was the operator at the time the injury or damage occurred or if the operator had the owner's consent to operate at the time the injury or damage occurred.  
(*Iowa Code §321I.19*)

**75.08 ACCIDENT REPORTS.** This section shall apply to all off-road utility vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, off-road motorcycles and snowmobiles. Whenever one of the above is involved in an accident resulting in injury or death to anyone or property damage amounting to one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) or more, either the operator or someone acting for the operator shall immediately notify a law enforcement officer and shall file an accident report, in accordance with State law.  
(*Iowa Code §321I.11*)

**75.09 EQUIPMENT.** All vehicles governed by this chapter shall be equipped with a minimum of the following features.

1. A safety flag, the top of which shall be a minimum of five (5) feet from ground level, and a slow-moving vehicle sign.
2. Adequate and functional brakes.
3. A muffler that allows the vehicle to operate without violating the City's noise ordinance.
4. Rear view or side mirrors that allow the operator to adequately view behind the vehicle.
5. All equipment necessary to keep the vehicle in good mechanical condition and thoroughly safe for transportation of passengers.

**75.10 TIMES OF OPERATION.** All vehicles governed by this chapter may be on City streets only between sunrise and sunset. All-terrain vehicles and off-road utility vehicles may be operated during prohibited hours from 5:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. only to perform snow removal

activities, including removal of snow from sidewalks. The same equipment as indicated above shall be required during said time.

**75.11 SPEED.** By this chapter shall operate at speeds no more than posted and must obey all other traffic laws of the City of Frederika and the State of Iowa. No vehicle governed by this chapter shall travel faster than twenty-five (25 mph) miles per hour.

**75.12 PENALTY.** In addition to the suspension or revocation of the permit by the Chief of Police, any violator of this chapter may be guilty of a municipal infraction subject to this Code of Ordinances.

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## CHAPTER 76

# GOLF CARTS

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**76.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to permit the operation of golf carts on certain streets in the City as authorized by Section 321.247 of the *Code of Iowa*. This chapter applies whenever a golf cart is operated on any street or alley, subject to those exceptions stated herein.

**76.02 DEFINITION.** “Golf cart” means a four-wheeled recreational vehicle generally used for the transportation of persons in the sport of golf, and which is limited in engine displacement to less than 800 cubic centimeters (or the electric equivalent) and total dry weight of less than 800 pounds. A vehicle with the appearance of a golf cart but satisfying the requirements of 49 CFR 571.500 (i.e., “low speed vehicle”) is not subject to this chapter but rather to Section 321.381A of the *Code of Iowa*.

**76.03 OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS PERMITTED.** Golf carts may be operated upon the streets and alleys of the City by persons possessing a valid driver’s license, and at least 16 years of age, except as prohibited in Section 76.05 of this chapter.

**76.04 EQUIPMENT.** Golf carts operated upon City streets shall be equipped with at least the following:

1. A regulation (16-inch) slow-moving vehicle sign displayed on the rear of the vehicle.
2. A regulation visible bicycle safety flag at all times during operation. Such flag shall have an area of not less than six by nine inches of fluorescent orange color on a staff holder, to put such flag at least five feet above the surface of the street.
3. Adequate and functional brakes.
4. Rear view or side mirrors.
5. Adequate exhaust and muffler system.

**76.05 OPERATION.**

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.247)*

1. Traffic Code. Any person operating a golf cart shall strictly adhere to all traffic signs and signals and all other traffic rules and regulations, and shall obey the orders and direction of any peace officer or Fire Department officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic.
2. Speed. No golf cart shall be operated at a speed in excess of 25 miles per hour or that posted, nor shall any golf cart be operated at a speed greater than is reasonable and proper for the existing conditions.

3. Unattended Golf Carts and Parking. No person shall leave a golf cart unattended on public property while the motor is running, or the keys are in the ignition switch. Owner/Operators shall comply with all parking regulations in the City.
4. Hours of Operation. Golf carts may be operated between sunrise and sunset.
5. Insurance Required. No golf cart shall be operated on highways or City streets unless financial liability coverage (insurance) is in effect for the vehicle and the driver has proof of insurance in his/her possession.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.20B)
6. Prohibited Uses. This chapter forbids the operation of golf carts as follows:
  - A. Primary Road Extensions. Golf carts shall not be operated upon any City street which is a primary road extension through the City. However, golf carts may cross such a primary road extension. First Avenue and Fourth Street are hereby designated as primary road extensions in the City.
  - B. Trails. Golf Carts and UTVs shall not be operated on any recreational, bike or walking trail unless the trail is specifically designated to allow use of motor vehicles.
  - C. Sidewalks. Golf carts shall not be operated upon sidewalks.
  - D. Parking. Golf carts shall not be operated upon that portion of a street right-of-way between the curb or edge of street paving and the sidewalk referred to as the "parking."
  - E. Private Property. Golf carts may only be operated on private property with the express consent of the owner.
7. Street Etiquette.
  - A. Where no turn signals exist on the golf cart, hand turn signals should be given to inform surrounding traffic.
  - B. Except when executing a left turn, golf carts shall be driven as close as practical to the right-hand edge of any street or alley.
  - C. When necessary to prevent congestion of traffic, golf carts shall be pulled to the right-hand edge of streets or alleys and be stopped to allow other motor vehicles traveling in the same direction to pass.
  - D. When two or more golf carts are being operated in the same direction and general vicinity on a City street or alley, they shall proceed in single file.
  - E. No golf carts are to carry more passengers than golf cart was designed for and the passengers are to remain seated at all times when the vehicle is in motion.
8. Special Events. All rules listed in this chapter apply with exception to allow use at night. The special event use requires City Council approval.

**76.06 ACCIDENT REPORTS.** Either the operator, or someone acting for the operator, shall immediately notify a law enforcement officer whenever a golf cart is involved in an accident resulting in injury or death to anyone, or property damage amounting to \$1,000.00 or more, and shall file an accident report within 48 hours, in accordance with State law.

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## CHAPTER 95

# SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

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**95.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of the chapters of this Code of Ordinances pertaining to Sanitary Sewers is to establish rules and regulations governing the treatment and disposal of sanitary sewage within the City in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

**95.02 DEFINITIONS.** For use in these chapters, unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the following terms are defined:

1. "B.O.D." (denoting Biochemical Oxygen Demand) means the quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five days at 20 degrees C, expressed in milligrams per liter or parts per million.
2. "Building drain" means that part of the lowest horizontal piping of a building drainage system which receives the discharge from soil, waste, and other drainage pipes inside the walls of the building and conveys it to the building sewer, beginning five feet (one and one-half meters) outside the inner face of the building wall.
3. "Building sewer" means that part of the horizontal piping from the building wall to its connection with the main sewer or the primary treatment portion of an on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system conveying the drainage of one building site.
4. "Combined sewer" means a sewer receiving both surface run-off and sewage.
5. "Customer" means any person responsible for the production of domestic, commercial, or industrial waste that is directly or indirectly discharged into the public sewer system.
6. "Garbage" means solid wastes from the domestic and commercial preparation, cooking and dispensing of food, and from the handling, storage, and sale of produce.
7. "Industrial wastes" means the liquid wastes from industrial manufacturing processes, trade, or business as distinct from sanitary sewage.
8. "Inspector" means the person duly authorized by the Council to inspect and approve the installation of building sewers and their connections to the public sewer system; and to inspect such sewage as may be discharged therefrom.
9. "Natural outlet" means any outlet into a watercourse, pond, ditch, lake, or other body of surface or groundwater.
10. "On-site wastewater treatment and disposal system" means all equipment and devices necessary for proper conduction, collection, storage, treatment, and disposal of wastewater from four or fewer dwelling units or other facilities serving the equivalent of 15 persons (1,500 gpd) or less.

11. “pH” means the logarithm of the reciprocal of the weight of hydrogen ions in grams per liter of solution.
12. “Public sewer” means a sewer in which all owners of abutting properties have equal rights, and is controlled by public authority.
13. “Sanitary sewage” means sewage discharging from the sanitary conveniences of dwellings (including apartment houses and hotels), office buildings, factories, or institutions, and free from storm, surface water, and industrial waste.
14. “Sanitary sewer” means a sewer that carries sewage and to which storm, surface, and ground waters are not intentionally admitted.
15. “Sewage” means a combination of the water-carried wastes from residences, business buildings, institutions, and industrial establishments, together with such ground, surface, and storm waters as may be present.
16. “Sewage treatment plant” means any arrangement of devices and structures used for treating sewage.
17. “Sewage works” or “sewage system” means all facilities for collecting, pumping, treating, and disposing of sewage.
18. “Sewer” means a pipe or conduit for carrying sewage.
19. “Sewer service charges” means any and all charges, rates or fees levied against and payable by customers, as consideration for the servicing of said customers by said sewer system.
20. “Slug” means any discharge of water, sewage, or industrial waste that in concentration of any given constituent or in quantity of flow exceeds for any period of duration longer than 15 minutes more than five times the average 24-hour concentration or flows during normal operation.
21. “Storm drain” or “storm sewer” means a sewer that carries storm and surface waters and drainage but excludes sewage and industrial wastes, other than unpolluted cooling water.
22. “Superintendent” means the Sanitary Sewer Superintendent of sewage works and/or of water pollution control of the City or any authorized deputy, agent, or representative.
23. “Suspended solids” means solids that either float on the surface of, or are in suspension in water, sewage, or other liquids, and that are removable by laboratory filtering.
24. “Watercourse” means a channel in which a flow of water occurs, either continuously or intermittently.

**95.03 SUPERINTENDENT.** The Council shall appoint by majority vote a Sanitary Sewer Superintendent to serve at the discretion of the Council. The Sanitary Sewer Superintendent shall receive such compensation as established by resolution of the Council. The Superintendent shall exercise the following powers and duties:

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

1. Operation and Maintenance. Operate and maintain the City sewage system.
2. Inspection and Tests. Conduct necessary inspections and tests to assure compliance with the provisions of the chapters governing the sanitary sewer system.

3. Records.
  - A. Maintain a complete and accurate record of all sewers, sewage connections and manholes constructed showing the location and grades thereof.
  - B. Maintain a complete and accurate record of sanitary sewer pump maintenance and operations.
4. Reporting. Compile reports requested by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and submit monthly work activity reports to the City Clerk.

**95.04 PROHIBITED ACTS.** No person shall do, or allow, any of the following:

1. Damage Sewer System. Maliciously, willfully, or negligently break, damage, destroy, uncover, deface, or tamper with any structure, appurtenance, or equipment that is a part of the sewer system.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)*

2. Surface Run-Off or Groundwater. Connect a roof downspout, sump pump, exterior foundation drain, areaway drain, or other source of surface run-off or groundwater to a building sewer or building drain that is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer.

3. Manholes. Open or enter any manhole of the sewer system, except by authority of the Superintendent.

4. Objectionable Wastes. Place or deposit in any unsanitary manner on public or private property within the City, or in any area under the jurisdiction of the City, any human or animal excrement, garbage, or other objectionable waste.

5. Septic Tanks. Construct or maintain any privy, privy vault, septic tank, cesspool, or other facility intended or used for the disposal of sewage except as provided in these chapters.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3f])*

6. Untreated Discharge. Discharge to any natural outlet within the City, or in any area under its jurisdiction, any sanitary sewage, industrial wastes, or other polluted waters, except where suitable treatment has been provided in accordance with subsequent provisions of these chapters.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3f])*

**95.05 SEWER CONNECTION REQUIRED.** The owners of any houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation or other purposes, situated within the City and abutting on any street, alley or right-of-way in which there is now located, or may in the future be located, a public sanitary or combined sewer, are hereby required to install, at such owner's expense, suitable toilet facilities therein and a building sewer connecting such facilities directly with the proper public sewer, and to maintain the same all in accordance with the provisions of these Sanitary Sewer chapters, such compliance to be completed within 60 days after date of official notice from the City to do so provided that said public sewer is located within 200 feet of the property line of such owner and is of such design as to receive and convey by gravity such sewage as may be conveyed to it. Billing for sanitary sewer service will begin the date of official notice to connect to the public sewer.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3f])*

*(IAC, 567-69.1[3])*

**95.06 SERVICE OUTSIDE THE CITY.** The owners of property outside the corporate limits of the City so situated that it may be served by the City sewer system may apply to the Council for permission to connect to the public sewer upon the terms and conditions stipulated by resolution of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.4[2 & 3])*

**95.07 RIGHT OF ENTRY.** The Superintendent and other duly authorized employees of the City bearing proper credentials and identification shall be permitted to enter all properties for the purposes of inspection, observation, measurement, sampling and testing in accordance with the provisions of these Sanitary Sewer chapters. The Superintendent or representatives shall have no authority to inquire into any processes including metallurgical, chemical, oil, refining, ceramic, paper, or other industries beyond that point having a direct bearing on the kind and source of discharge to the sewers or waterways or facilities for waste treatment.

**95.08 USE OF EASEMENTS.** The Superintendent and other duly authorized employees of the City bearing proper credentials and identification shall be permitted to enter all private properties through which the City holds a duly negotiated easement for the purposes of, but not limited to, inspection, observation, measurement, sampling, repair, and maintenance of any portion of the sewage works lying within said easement. All entry and subsequent work, if any, on said easement, shall be done in full accordance with the terms of the duly negotiated easement pertaining to the private property involved.

**95.09 SPECIAL PENALTIES.** The following special penalty provisions shall apply to violations of these Sanitary Sewer chapters:

1. Notice of Violation. Any person found to be violating any provision of these chapters except subsections 1, 3, and 4 of Section 95.04, shall be served by the City with written notice stating the nature of the violation and providing a reasonable time limit for the satisfactory correction thereof. The offender shall, within the period of time stated in such notice, permanently cease all violations.
2. Continuing Violations. Any person who shall continue any violation beyond the time limit provided for in subsection 1 hereof shall be in violation of this Code of Ordinances. Each day in which any such violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.
3. Liability Imposed. Any person violating any of the provisions of these chapters shall become liable to the City for any expense, loss, or damage occasioned the City by reason of such violation.

## CHAPTER 96

### BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS

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**96.01 PERMIT.** No unauthorized person shall uncover, make any connection with or opening into, use, alter, or disturb any public sewer or appurtenance thereof without first obtaining a written permit from the City. The application for the permit shall set forth the location and description of the property to be connected with the sewer system and the purpose for which the sewer is to be used, and shall be supplemented by any plans, specifications, or other information considered pertinent. The permit shall require the owner to complete construction and connection of the building sewer to the public sewer within 60 days after the issuance of the permit, except that when a property owner makes sufficient showing that due to conditions beyond the owner's control or peculiar hardship, such time period is inequitable or unfair, an extension of time within which to comply with the provisions herein may be granted. Any sewer connection permit may be revoked at any time for a violation of these chapters.

**96.02 PERMIT FEE.** The person who makes the application shall pay a fee in the amount of \$250.00 to the Clerk to cover the cost of issuing the permit and supervising, regulating, and inspecting the work. Nonresidential permit fees shall be determined by the Council.

**96.03 PLUMBER REQUIRED.** All installations of building sewers and connections to the public sewer shall be made by a State-licensed plumber.

**96.04 EXCAVATIONS.** All trench work, excavation, and backfilling required for the installation of a building sewer shall be performed in accordance with the provisions of the *State Plumbing Code* and the provisions of Chapter 135 of this Code of Ordinances.

**96.05 CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS.** Any connection with a public sanitary sewer must be made under the direct supervision of the Superintendent or designee and in accordance with the following:

1. **Old Building Sewers.** Old building sewers may be used in connection with new buildings only when they are found, on examination and test conducted by the owner and observed by the Superintendent, to meet all requirements of this chapter.
2. **Separate Building Sewers.** A separate and independent building sewer shall be provided for every occupied building; except where one building stands at the rear of another on an interior lot and no private sewer is available or can be constructed to the rear building through an adjoining alley, court, yard, or driveway. In such cases the building sewer from the front building may be extended to the rear building and the whole considered as one building sewer.
3. **Installation.** The installation and connection of the building sewer to the public sewer shall conform to the requirements of the *State Plumbing Code* and applicable rules and regulations of the City. All such connections shall be made gastight and

watertight. Any deviation from the prescribed procedures and materials must be approved by the Superintendent before installation.

4. Water Lines. When possible, building sewers should be laid at least 10 feet horizontally from a water service. The horizontal separation may be less, provided the water service line is located at one side and at least 12 inches above the top of the building sewer.

5. Size. Building sewers shall be sized for the peak expected sewage flow from the building with a minimum building sewer size of four inches.

6. Alignment and Grade. All building sewers shall be laid to a straight line to meet the following:

- A. Recommended grade at one-fourth inch per foot.
- B. Minimum grade of one-eighth inch per foot.
- C. Minimum velocity of two feet per second with the sewer half full.
- D. Any deviation in alignment or grade shall be made only with the written approval of the Superintendent and shall be made only with approved fittings.

7. Depth. Whenever possible, the building sewer shall be brought to the building at an elevation below the basement floor. The depth of cover above the sewer shall be sufficient to afford protection from frost.

8. Sewage Lifts. In all buildings in which any building drain is too low to permit gravity flow to the public sewer, sanitary sewage carried by such drain shall be lifted by approved artificial means and discharged to the building sewer.

9. Pipe Specifications. Building sewer pipe shall be free from flaws, splits, or breaks. Materials shall be as specified in the *State Plumbing Code* except that the building sewer pipe, from the property line to the public sewer, shall comply with the current edition of one of the following:

- A. Clay sewer pipe – A.S.T.M. C-700 (extra strength).
- B. Extra heavy cast iron soil pipe – A.S.T.M. A-74.
- C. Ductile iron water pipe – A.W.W.A. C-151.
- D. P.V.C. – SDR26 – A.S.T.M. D-3034.

10. Bearing Walls. No building sewer shall be laid parallel to or within three feet of any bearing wall that might thereby be weakened.

11. Jointing. Fittings, type of joint and jointing material shall be compatible with the type of pipe used, subject to the approval of the Superintendent. Solvent-welded joints are not permitted.

12. Unstable Soil. No sewer connection shall be laid so that it is exposed when crossing any watercourse. Where an old watercourse must of necessity be crossed or where there is any danger of undermining or settlement, cast iron soil pipe or vitrified clay sewer pipe thoroughly encased in concrete shall be required for such crossings. Such encasement shall extend at least six inches on all sides of the pipe. The cast iron pipe or encased clay pipe shall rest on firm, solid material at either end.

13. Preparation of Basement or Crawl Space. No connection for any residence, business or other structure with any sanitary sewer shall be made unless the basement

floor is poured, or in the case of a building with a slab or crawl space, unless the ground floor is installed with the area adjacent to the foundation of such building cleared of debris and backfilled. The backfill shall be well compacted and graded so that the drainage is away from the foundation. Prior to the time the basement floor is poured, or the first floor is installed in buildings without basements, the sewer shall be plugged and the plug shall be sealed by the Superintendent. Any accumulation of water in any excavation or basement during construction and prior to connection to the sanitary sewer shall be removed by means other than draining into the sanitary sewer.

**96.06 INTERCEPTORS REQUIRED.** Grease, oil, sludge and sand interceptors shall be provided by gas and service stations, convenience stores, car washes, garages, and other facilities when, in the opinion of the Superintendent, they are necessary for the proper handling of such wastes that contain grease in excessive amounts or any flammable waste, sand or other harmful ingredients. Such interceptors shall not be required for private living quarters or dwelling units. When required, such interceptors shall be installed in accordance with the following:

1. Design and Location. All interceptors shall be of a type and capacity as specified in the *State Plumbing Code*, to be approved by the Superintendent, and shall be located so as to be readily and easily accessible for cleaning and inspection.
2. Construction Standards. The interceptors shall be constructed of impervious material capable of withstanding abrupt and extreme changes in temperature. They shall be of substantial construction, watertight and equipped with easily removable covers that shall be gastight and watertight.
3. Maintenance. All such interceptors shall be maintained by the owner at the owner's expense and shall be kept in continuously efficient operations at all times.

**96.07 SEWER TAP.** Connection of the building sewer into the public sewer shall be made at the "Y" branch, if such branch is available at a suitable location. If no properly located "Y" branch is available, a saddle "Y" shall be installed at the location specified by the Superintendent. The public sewer shall be tapped with a tapping machine and a saddle appropriate to the type of public sewer shall be glued or attached with a gasket and stainless steel clamps to the sewer. At no time shall a building sewer be constructed so as to enter a manhole unless special written permission is received from the Superintendent and in accordance with the Superintendent's direction if such connection is approved.

**96.08 INSPECTION REQUIRED.** All connections with the sanitary sewer system before being covered shall be inspected and approved, in writing, by the Superintendent or designee. As soon as all pipe work from the public sewer to inside the building has been completed, and before any backfilling is done, the Superintendent shall be notified and the Superintendent or designee shall inspect and test the work as to workmanship and material; no sewer pipe laid underground shall be covered or trenches filled until after the sewer has been so inspected and approved. If the Superintendent refuses to approve the work, the plumber or owner must proceed immediately to correct the work.

**96.09 PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY.** All costs and expenses incident to the installation, connection, and maintenance of the building sewer shall be borne by the owner. The owner shall indemnify the City from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer.

**96.10 ABATEMENT OF VIOLATIONS.** Construction or maintenance of building sewer lines, whether located upon the private property of any owner or in the public right-of-way, which construction or maintenance is in violation of any of the requirements of this chapter, shall be corrected, at the owner's expense, within 30 days after date of official notice from the Council of such violation. If not made within such time, the Council shall, in addition to the other penalties herein provided, have the right to finish and correct the work and assess the cost thereof to the property owner. Such assessment shall be collected with and in the same manner as general property taxes.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3])*

## CHAPTER 97

# USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS

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**97.01 STORM WATER.** No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any storm water, surface water, groundwater, roof run-off, sub-surface drainage, uncontaminated cooling water, or unpolluted industrial process waters to any sanitary sewer. Storm water and all other unpolluted drainage shall be discharged to such sewers that are specifically designated as combined sewers or storm sewers or to a natural outlet approved by the Superintendent. Industrial cooling water or unpolluted process waters may be discharged on approval of the Superintendent, to a storm sewer, combined sewer, or natural outlet.

**97.02 SURFACE WATERS EXCEPTION.** Special permits for discharging surface waters to a public sanitary sewer may be issued by the Council upon recommendation of the Superintendent where such discharge is deemed necessary or advisable for purposes of flushing, but any permit so issued shall be subject to revocation at any time when deemed to the best interests of the sewer system.

**97.03 PROHIBITED DISCHARGES.** No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described waters or wastes to any public sewers:

1. Flammable or Explosive Material. Any gasoline, benzene, naphtha, fuel oil, or other flammable or explosive liquid, solid, or gas.
2. Toxic or Poisonous Materials. Any waters or wastes containing toxic or poisonous solids, liquids or gases in sufficient quantity, either singly or by interaction with other wastes, to injure or interfere with any sewage treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans or animals, create a public nuisance, or create any hazard in the receiving waters of the sewage treatment plant, including but not limited to cyanides in excess of two milligrams per liter as CN in the wastes as discharged to the public sewer.
3. Corrosive Wastes. Any waters or wastes having a pH lower than 5.5 or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment, and personnel of the sewage works.
4. Solid or Viscous Substances. Solid or viscous substances in quantities or of such size capable of causing obstruction to the flow in sewers, or other interference with the proper operation of the sewage works such as, but not limited to, ashes, cinders, sand, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, unground garbage, whole blood, paunch manure, hair and fleshings, entrails and paper dishes, cups, milk containers, etc., either whole or ground by garbage grinders.
5. Excessive B.O.D., Solids or Flow.
  - A. Any waters or wastes: (i) having a five-day biochemical oxygen demand greater than 300 parts per million by weight; or (ii) containing more than 350 parts per million by weight of suspended solids; or (iii) having an

average daily flow greater than two percent of the average sewage flow of the City, shall be subject to the review of the Superintendent.

B. Where necessary in the opinion of the Superintendent, the owner shall provide, at the owner's expense, such preliminary treatment as may be necessary to: (i) reduce the biochemical oxygen demand to 300 parts per million by weight; or (ii) reduce the suspended solids to 350 parts per million by weight; or (iii) control the quantities and rates of discharge of such waters or wastes. Plans, specifications, and any other pertinent information relating to proposed preliminary treatment facilities shall be submitted for the approval of the Superintendent and no construction of such facilities shall be commenced until said approvals are obtained in writing.

**97.04 RESTRICTED DISCHARGES.** No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged the following described substances, materials, waters, or wastes if it appears likely in the opinion of the Superintendent that such wastes can harm either the sewers, sewage treatment process, or equipment, have an adverse effect on the receiving stream or can otherwise endanger life, limb, public property, or constitute a nuisance. In forming an opinion as to the acceptability of these wastes, the Superintendent will give consideration to such factors as the quantities of subject wastes in relation to flows and velocities in the sewers, materials of construction of the sewers, nature of the sewage treatment process, capacity of the sewage treatment plant, degree of treatability of wastes in the sewage treatment plant, and other pertinent factors. The substances restricted are:

1. High Temperature. Any liquid or vapor having a temperature higher than 150 degrees F (65 degrees C).
2. Fat, Oil, Grease. Any water or waste containing fats, wax, grease or oils, whether emulsified or not, in excess of 100 milligrams per liter or 600 milligrams per liter of dispersed or other soluble matter.
3. Viscous Substances. Water or wastes containing substances that may solidify or become viscous at temperatures between 32 degrees F and 150 degrees F (0 degrees to 65 degrees C).
4. Garbage. Any garbage that has not been properly shredded, that is, to such a degree that all particles will be carried freely under the flow conditions normally prevailing in public sewers, with no particle greater than one-half inch in any dimension.
5. Acids. Any waters or wastes containing strong acid iron pickling wastes, or concentrated plating solution whether neutralized or not.
6. Toxic or Objectionable Wastes. Any waters or wastes containing iron, chromium, copper, zinc, and similar objectionable or toxic substances; or wastes exerting an excessive chlorine requirement, to such degree that any such material received in the composite sewage at the sewage treatment works exceeds the limits established by the Superintendent for such materials.
7. Odor or Taste. Any waters or wastes containing phenols or other taste or odor producing substances, in such concentrations exceeding limits that may be established by the Superintendent as necessary, after treatment of the composite sewage, to meet the requirements of State, federal, or other public agencies of jurisdiction for such discharge to the receiving waters.

8. Radioactive Wastes. Any radioactive wastes or isotopes of such half-life or concentration as may exceed limits established by the Superintendent in compliance with applicable State or federal regulations.
9. Excess Alkalinity. Any waters or wastes having a pH in excess of 9.5.
10. Unusual Wastes. Materials that exert or cause:
  - A. Unusual concentrations of inert suspended solids (such as, but not limited to, Fullers earth, lime slurries, and lime residues) or of dissolved solids (such as, but not limited to, sodium chloride and sodium sulfate).
  - B. Excessive discoloration (such as, but not limited to, dye wastes and vegetable tanning solutions).
  - C. Unusual B.O.D., chemical oxygen demand or chlorine requirements in such quantities as to constitute a significant load on the sewage treatment works.
  - D. Unusual volume of flow or concentration of wastes constituting “slugs” as defined herein.
11. Noxious or Malodorous Gases. Any noxious or malodorous gas or other substance that, either singly or by interaction with other wastes, is capable of creating a public nuisance or hazard to life or of preventing entry into sewers for their maintenance and repair.
12. Damaging Substances. Any waters, wastes, materials, or substances that react with water or wastes in the sewer system to release noxious gases, develop color of undesirable intensity, form suspended solids in objectionable concentration or create any other condition deleterious to structures and treatment processes.
13. Untreatable Wastes. Waters or wastes containing substances that are not amenable to treatment or reduction by the sewage treatment processes employed, or are amenable to treatment only to such degree that the sewage treatment plant effluent cannot meet the requirements of other agencies having jurisdiction over discharge to the receiving waters.

**97.05 RESTRICTED DISCHARGES; POWERS OF SUPERINTENDENT.** If any waters or wastes are discharged or are proposed to be discharged to the public sewers, which waters contain the substances or possess the characteristics enumerated in Section 97.04 and which in the judgment of the Superintendent may have a deleterious effect upon the sewage works, processes, equipment, or receiving waters, or which otherwise create a hazard to life or constitute a public nuisance, the Superintendent may:

1. Rejection. Reject the wastes by requiring disconnection from the public sewage system;
2. Pretreatment. Require pretreatment to an acceptable condition for discharge to the public sewers;
3. Controls Imposed. Require control over the quantities and rates of discharge; and/or
4. Special Charges. Require payment to cover the added cost of handling and treating the wastes not covered by existing taxes or sewer charges under the provisions of Chapter 99.

**97.06 SPECIAL FACILITIES.** If the Superintendent permits the pretreatment or equalization of waste flows, the design and installation of the plants and equipment shall be subject to the review and approval of the Superintendent and subject to the requirements of all applicable codes, ordinances, and laws. Where preliminary treatment or flow-equalizing facilities are provided for any waters or wastes, they shall be maintained continuously in satisfactory and effective operation by the owner at the owner's expense.

**97.07 CONTROL MANHOLES.** When required by the Superintendent, the owner of any property serviced by a building sewer carrying industrial wastes shall install a suitable control manhole together with such necessary meters and other appurtenances in the building sewer to facilitate observation, sampling, and measurement of the wastes. Such manhole, when required, shall be accessibly and safely located, and shall be constructed in accordance with plans approved by the Superintendent. The manhole shall be installed by the owner at the owner's expense, and shall be maintained by the owner so as to be safe and accessible at all times.

**97.08 TESTING OF WASTES.** All measurements, tests, and analyses of the characteristics of waters and wastes to which reference is made in this chapter shall be determined in accordance with the latest edition of *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, published by the American Public Health Association, and shall be determined at the control manhole provided, or upon suitable samples taken at said control manhole. In the event that no special manhole has been required, the control manhole shall be considered to be the nearest downstream manhole in the public sewer to the point at which the building sewer is connected. Sampling shall be carried out by customarily accepted methods to reflect the effect of constituents upon the sewage works and to determine the existence of hazards to life, limb, and property. (The particular analyses involved will determine whether a 24-hour composite of all outfalls of a premises is appropriate or whether a grab sample or samples should be taken. Normally, but not always, B.O.D. and suspended solids analyses are obtained from 24-hour composites of all outfalls whereas pH's are determined from periodic grab samples).

**CHAPTER 98**  
**ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS**

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**98.01 WHEN PROHIBITED.** Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, it is unlawful to construct or maintain any on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system or other facility intended or used for the disposal of sewage.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3f])*

**98.02 WHEN REQUIRED.** When a public sanitary sewer is not available under the provisions of Section 95.05, every building wherein persons reside, congregate or are employed shall be provided with an approved on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system complying with the provisions of this chapter.

*(IAC, 567-69.1[3])*

**98.03 COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS.** The type, capacity, location, and layout of a private on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system shall comply with the specifications and requirements set forth by the Iowa Administrative Code 567, Chapter 69, and with such additional requirements as are prescribed by the regulations of the County Board of Health.

*(IAC, 567-69.1[3 & 4])*

**98.04 PERMIT REQUIRED.** No person shall install or alter an on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system without first obtaining a permit from the County Board of Health.

**98.05 DISCHARGE RESTRICTIONS.** It is unlawful to discharge any wastewater from an on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system (except under an NPDES permit) to any ditch, stream, pond, lake, natural or artificial waterway, drain tile or to the surface of the ground.

*(IAC, 567-69.1[3])*

**98.06 MAINTENANCE OF SYSTEM.** The owner of an on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system shall operate and maintain the system in a sanitary manner at all times and at no expense to the City.

**98.07 SYSTEMS ABANDONED.** At such time as a public sewer becomes available to a property served by an on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system, as provided in Section 95.05, a direct connection shall be made to the public sewer in compliance with these Sanitary Sewer chapters and the on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system shall be abandoned and filled with suitable material.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3f])*

**98.08 DISPOSAL OF SEPTAGE.** No person shall dispose of septage from an on-site treatment system at any location except an approved disposal site.

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## CHAPTER 99

### SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

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**99.01 SEWER CHARGES.** Each user of the municipal sewer system shall pay sewer charge on a monthly basis as defined within this section. The sewer charge shall consist of a combination of a service and infrastructure fees as described in the following follows:

1. **Service Fee.** The service fee supports general operations and maintenance/repair of the existing sewer system.
2. **Infrastructure Fee.** The infrastructure fee supports major updates or improvements of the sewer system that are typically financed through revenue bonds or other debt services, not user service fees. This infrastructure fee shall be used to fund the compliance improvement project as a result of the IDNR NPDES conditional permit issued August 1, 2019.
3. If the sewer user pays for the combined sewer charge on annual basis in advance, the sum of the monthly sewer charges shall be reduced by two dollars (\$2.00). The annual payment of combined sewer charges does not exclude the user from paying for rate increases adopted during the year.
4. For each sewer user, the following fee rates shall be billed in accordance with the following:

Effective Date:	Service Fee	Infrastructure Fee	Total Monthly Sewer Charge
Prior to 07/01/2020	\$19.00	\$0.00	\$19.00
As of 07/01/2020	\$24.00	\$25.00	\$49.00
As of 07/01/2021	\$24.00	\$34.00	\$58.00
As of 07/01/2022	\$24.00	\$43.00	\$67.00
As of 07/01/2023	\$24.00	\$53.00	\$77.00

*(Section 99.01 – Ord. 2020-1 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**99.02 SPECIAL RATES.** Where, in the judgment of the Superintendent and the Council, special conditions exist to the extent that the application of the sewer charges provided in Section 99.01 would be inequitable or unfair to either the City or the customer, a special rate shall be proposed by the Superintendent and submitted to the Council for approval by resolution.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.03 PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS.** Customers whose premises are served by a private water system shall pay sewer charges based upon the water used as determined by the City either

by an estimate agreed to by the customer or by metering the water system at the customer’s expense. Any negotiated or agreed-upon sales or charges shall be subject to approval of the Council.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.04 BILLING FOR SEWER SERVICE.** Sewer service shall be billed as part of a combined service account, consisting of sewer service charge and solid waste collection, payable in accordance with the following:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

1. **Bills Issued.** Normal billing periods for the combined service account shall be a monthly basis and in no case shall the combined sewer charge or solid water collection fee be less than specified within Sections 99.01 or 106.8. The Clerk shall prepare and issue bills on or before the first day of each month of the billing period.
2. **Bills Payable.** Bills for combined service accounts shall be due and payable at the office of the Clerk by the last day of the same month the bill was issued. The monthly combined service charges are depicted in the following table:

Effective Date	Monthly Sewer	Monthly Waste	Solid	Combined Services
Prior to 07/01/2020	\$19.00	\$19.00		\$38.00
As of 07/01/2020	\$49.00	\$19.00		\$68.00
As of 07/01/2021	\$58.00	\$19.00		\$77.00
As of 07/01/2022	\$67.00	\$19.00		\$86.00
As of 07/01/2023	\$77.00	TBD		TBD

3. **Cause for Notice.** The customer of the combined service account shall be sent by ordinary mail a reminder of a delinquent bill. Once the delinquent bill has reached an amount exceeding \$250.00, a notice of intent to certify the unpaid amount in accordance with Section 99.07 shall be sent by ordinary mail.

*(Section 99.04 – Ord. 2020-1 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**99.05 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT.** The owner of the premises served, and any lessee or tenant thereof shall be jointly and severally liable for combined service account charges to the premises. Combined service charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall constitute a lien upon the property or premises served and shall be certified by the Clerk to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes. An administrative charge of five dollars (\$5.00) shall be applied to the delinquent amount for each non-payment certified to the County Treasurer.

*(Ord. 2019-3 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.06 LIEN EXEMPTION.**

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

1. **Exemption.** The lien for nonpayment shall not apply to the charges for any of the services of sewer systems, storm water drainage systems, sewage treatment, solid waste collection, and solid waste disposal for a residential rental property where the charge is paid directly to the City by the tenant, if the landlord gives written notice to the City that the property is residential rental property and that the tenant is liable for

the rates or charges for such service. The City may require a deposit not exceeding the usual cost of 90 days of such services to be paid to the City. When the tenant moves from the rental property, the City shall refund the deposit if all service charges are paid in full. The lien exemption does not apply to delinquent charges for repairs related to any of the services.

2. **Written Notice.** The landlord's written notice shall contain the name of the tenant responsible for charges, the address of the residential or commercial rental property that the tenant is to occupy, and the date that the occupancy begins. Upon receipt, the City shall acknowledge the notice and deposit. A change in tenant for a residential rental property shall require a new written notice to be given to the City within 30 business days of the change in tenant. A change in tenant for a commercial rental property shall require a new written notice to be given to the City within 10 business days of the change in tenant. A change in the ownership of the residential rental property shall require written notice of such change to be given to the City within 30 business days of the completion of the change of ownership. A change in the ownership of the commercial rental property shall require written notice of such change to be given to the City within 10 business days of the completion of the change of ownership.

3. **Mobile Homes, Modular Homes, and Manufactured Homes.** A lien for nonpayment of utility services described in subsection 1 of this section shall not be placed upon a premises that is a mobile home, modular home, or manufactured home if the mobile home, modular home, or manufactured home is owned by a tenant of and located in a mobile home park or manufactured home community and the mobile home park or manufactured home community owner or manager is the account holder, unless the lease agreement specifies that the tenant is responsible for payment of a portion of the rates or charges billed to the account holder.

**99.07 LIEN NOTICE.** A lien for delinquent sewer service charges shall not be certified to the County Treasurer unless prior written notice of intent to certify a lien is given to the customer in whose name the delinquent charges were incurred. If the customer is a tenant and if the owner or landlord of the property or premises has made a written request for notice, the notice shall also be given to the owner or landlord. The notice shall be sent to the appropriate persons by ordinary mail not less than 30 days prior to certification of the lien to the County Treasurer.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.08 DEPOSIT.** There shall be required from every customer not the owner of the premises served a refundable deposit equal to three months of sewer and solid waste charges intended to guarantee the payment of bills for service. The deposit will be refunded (minus any amount owed for any services rendered) when the service account is closed and/or transferred to another customer.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**99.09 SPECIAL AGREEMENTS PERMITTED.** No statement in these chapters shall be construed as preventing a special agreement, arrangement, or contract between the Council, and any industrial concern whereby an industrial waste of unusual strength or character may be accepted subject to special conditions, rate, and cost as established by the Council.

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## CHAPTER 100

# PROHIBITION ON DISCHARGE OF STORM WATER AND GROUNDWATER INTO CITY SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

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**100.01 PURPOSE.** The discharge of water from any roof, surface, ground, sump pump, footing tile or swimming pool or other natural precipitation into the City sanitary sewer collection system has the potential to cause damage to property and overload the City wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment system. Such discharge may result in the backup of sewage into living quarters of residential homes or other buildings, creating a potential health hazard and potentially exceeding the capacity of the City wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment system. Therefore, the City finds that it is essential to the maintenance of public health, minimization of damage to property and to maintain the functioning and capacity of the City wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment system, that the provisions of this section be strictly enforced.

**100.02 RESTRICTIONS AND DEFINITIONS.** No water from any roof, surface, ground, sump pump, footing tile, swimming pool, industrial air conditioning systems, or other natural precipitation shall be discharged into the sanitary sewer collection system. Dwellings, including new housing construction or houses under construction, and other buildings and structures which require, because of the infiltration of water into basements, crawl spaces and the like, a seepage collection system, or “beaver drain” or sump pump system to discharge water shall have a permanently installed discharge line which shall not at any time discharge water into the sanitary sewer collection system. A permanent installation shall be one which provides for a year-round discharge connection to the City subdrain/storm sewer system. If there is no subdrain available, the surface discharge point shall be located no closer than four feet from the edge of hard surface road or curb or as approved by the City. Such discharge line shall consist of a rigid discharge line inside the structure, without valving or quick connections for altering the path of discharge and, if connected to the City subdrain/storm sewer system, shall include a check valve.

**100.03 EXCEPTIONS.** Properties may have a twenty (20) gallon per day maximum discharge from air conditioning system, dehumidifier, or foundation seepage to discharge through a floor drain into the sanitary sewer collection system.

**100.04 SUMP, PUMP, AND RIGID PIPE: METHOD OF INSTALLATION.**

1. A discharge pipe shall be installed through the outside foundation wall of the building with rigid pipe (plastic, copper or galvanized) one inch (1”) inside diameter minimum, without valves or quick connections that would alter the path of discharge. The discharge shall be directed away from the foundation wall.

2. No discharge shall be directed so as to impact neighboring properties or any sidewalks, streets or right-of-way unless approved by the City.
3. Where a sump pit exists in any building, it shall have a pump installed with rigid piping as specified above.
4. Any plumber or contractor who knowingly installs a sump, pump and/or piping that is not in conformance with this ordinance shall be liable to the City for all damages that arise and be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 100.10.

**100.05 DISCONNECTIONS ORDERED.** Any owner of any dwelling, building or other structure having a roof, surface, ground, sump pump, footing tile or swimming pool now connected and/or discharging into the City sanitary sewer system shall disconnect and/or remove the same. Any disconnects or openings in the City sanitary sewer system shall be closed or repaired in a manner as approved by the Sanitary Sewer Superintendent or designated representative.

**100.06 INSPECTIONS.** Every owner of any dwelling, building or other structure subject to this section, shall allow the Sanitary Sewer Superintendent, or their designated representative, to gain admittance to the owner's property in order to inspect such dwelling, building or other structure, to confirm that there is no sump pump or other prohibited discharge from said property into the City sanitary sewer system. This inspection requirement may also be met by having the property owner contract with a licensed plumber to perform the inspection. The plumber must inspect the property and the sump pump system, and shall complete, sign and return an inspection form, provided by the City, documenting the results of the inspection. All costs associated with an inspection by a privately retained plumber shall be the responsibility of the property owner. The City may periodically re-inspect any building or premises to determine compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

**100.07 TIME LIMIT TO ALLOW INSPECTION.** The owner of any dwelling, building or other structure shall have a period of thirty (30) days from the date the City, or their designated representative, sends a written notice to the owner requesting admittance to the property for an inspection, to either allow a City inspection of the property, or to contract with a licensed plumber to perform the inspection, and notify the City of the results thereof as provided in Section 101.06 of this chapter.

**100.08 TIME LIMIT FOR ELIMINATING IMPROPER DISCHARGE.** Upon completion of a City inspection of a property, or upon the City's receipt of an inspection form from the licensed plumber hired by the owner of the property, the City shall determine whether any such property is improperly discharging storm water into the City sanitary sewer system, and shall send a notice to the property owner regarding the results of said inspection if there is a violation. If the property is found to be discharging storm or ground water into the City sanitary sewer system, then the owner shall have a period of ninety (90) days from the inspection date to become compliant. The City shall send such written notice to the owner to disconnect the owner's sump pump or other prohibited discharge into the City sanitary sewer system, and to request an inspection, certifying that all work necessary to disconnect the owner's sump pump or other prohibited discharge from said property into the City sanitary sewer system has been completed or be subject to a surcharge as provided in 100.09. The time frame for becoming compliant may be extended upon the approval of the City for up to 30 days for cause, beyond the initial 90-day period. The owner of a building or premises found to not be in conformance with this chapter during subsequent inspection or periodic re-inspections shall be subjected to a surcharge as provided herein starting from the previous date of inspection.

**100.09 SANITARY SEWER SURCHARGE.** Any owner who fails to timely comply with the requirements of either Section 100.07 or of Section 100.08 of this chapter shall thereupon be subject to and shall pay a monthly surcharge on the property owner's or tenant's City sewer bill in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month. Said surcharge shall commence on the first day of the month following the expiration of the thirty (30) day period set forth in Section 100.07 of this chapter, or the ninety (90) day period set forth in Section 100.08 of this chapter, as applicable, when either the property owner has failed to timely allow a City inspection or has failed to timely correct any illegal connections to the City sanitary sewer system, or has failed to contract with a licensed plumber to inspect the property and correct any illegal connections to the City sanitary sewer system. Such surcharge shall continue to be imposed on the owner's City sanitary sewer bill for as long as the property owner continues to own the property without complying with the requirements of this division. This monthly surcharge is intended to offset the added cost to the City that is associated with having the City wastewater collection, conveyance and treatment system process clear or clean water unnecessarily, when the status of the property owner's connection or non-connection to the City sanitary sewer system cannot be ascertained, or when the owner has failed to timely disconnect any discharge of storm water to the City sanitary sewer system.

**100.10 PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT.** Whoever shall violate any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is provided may be punished as set forth below.

1. Any person found to be violating any provision of this chapter, shall be served by the City with written notice stating the nature of the violation and providing at least ninety (90) days for the satisfactory correction thereof. The offender shall, within the period of time stated in such notice, permanently cease all violations. A surcharge fee shall be added to the property's City sewer bill, as provided in Section 100.09 of this Code.
2. Any person who shall continue any violation beyond the time limit provided for in Subsection (1) of this section shall be guilty of a municipal infraction. Each day in which any such violation occurs shall be deemed a separate offense.
3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall become liable to the City for any expense, loss or damage occasioned the City by reason of such violation. The City will also retain any and all civil remedies including but not limited to injunction or abatement actions to remedy a violation.

*(Ch. 100 – Ord. 2020-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

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## CHAPTER 105

# SOLID WASTE CONTROL

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**105.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of the chapters in this Code of Ordinances pertaining to Solid Waste Control and Collection is to provide for the sanitary storage, collection, and disposal of solid waste and, thereby, to protect the citizens of the City from such hazards to their health, safety and welfare as may result from the uncontrolled disposal of solid waste.

**105.02 DEFINITIONS.** For use in these chapters the following terms are defined:

1. “Collector” means any person authorized to gather solid waste from public and private places.

2. “Discard” means to place, cause to be placed, throw, deposit, or drop.  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 455B.361[1])

3. “Dwelling unit” means any room or group of rooms located within a structure and forming a single habitable unit with facilities that are used or are intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking, and eating.

4. “Garbage” means all solid and semisolid, putrescible animal and vegetable waste resulting from the handling, preparing, cooking, storing, serving and consuming of food or of material intended for use as food, and all offal, excluding useful industrial by-products, and includes all such substances from all public and private establishments and from all residences.

(IAC, 567-100.2)

5. “Landscape waste” means any vegetable or plant waste except garbage. The term includes trees, tree trimmings, branches, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, grass, shrubbery, and yard trimmings.

(IAC, 567-20.2[455B])

6. “Litter” means any garbage, rubbish, trash, refuse, waste materials, or debris not exceeding 10 pounds in weight or 15 cubic feet in volume. Litter includes but is not limited to empty beverage containers, cigarette butts, food waste packaging, other food or candy wrappers, handbills, empty cartons, or boxes.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 455B.361[2])

7. “Owner” means, in addition to the record titleholder, any person residing in, renting, leasing, occupying, operating or transacting business in any premises, and as between such parties the duties, responsibilities, liabilities and obligations hereinafter imposed shall be joint and several.

8. “Refuse” means putrescible and non-putrescible waste, including but not limited to garbage, rubbish, ashes, incinerator residues, street cleanings, market and industrial solid waste and sewage treatment waste in dry or semisolid form.

(IAC, 567-100.2)

9. “Residential premises” means a single-family dwelling and any multiple-family dwelling.

10. “Residential waste” means any refuse generated on the premises as a result of residential activities. The term includes landscape waste grown on the premises or deposited thereon by the elements, but excludes garbage, tires, trade wastes and any locally recyclable goods or plastics.

(IAC, 567-20.2[455B])

11. “Rubbish” means non-putrescible solid waste consisting of combustible and non-combustible waste, such as ashes, paper, cardboard, tin cans, yard clippings, wood, glass, bedding, crockery, or litter of any kind.

(IAC, 567-100.2)

12. “Sanitary disposal” means a method of treating solid waste so that it does not produce a hazard to the public health or safety or create a nuisance.

(IAC, 567-100.2)

13. “Sanitary disposal project” means all facilities and appurtenances (including all real and personal property connected with such facilities) that are acquired, purchased, constructed, reconstructed, equipped, improved, extended, maintained, or operated to facilitate the final disposition of solid waste without creating a significant hazard to the public health or safety, and which are approved by the Director of the State Department of Natural Resources.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 455B.301)

14. “Solid waste” means garbage, refuse, rubbish, and other similar discarded solid or semisolid materials, including but not limited to such materials resulting from industrial, commercial, agricultural, and domestic activities. Solid waste may include vehicles, as defined by Section 321.1 of the *Code of Iowa*. Solid waste does not include any of the following:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 455B.301)

A. Hazardous waste regulated under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6921-6934.

B. Hazardous waste as defined in Section 455B.411 of the *Code of Iowa*, except to the extent that rules allowing for the disposal of specific wastes have been adopted by the State Environmental Protection Commission.

C. Source, special nuclear, or by-product material as defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended to January 1, 1979.

D. Petroleum contaminated soil that has been remediated to acceptable State or federal standards.

E. Steel slag which is a product resulting from the steel manufacturing process and is managed as an item of value in a controlled manner and not as a discarded material.

15. “Commercial premises” means any single structure containing three (3) or more dwelling units, apartment or condominium buildings, mobile home park, retail

store, restaurant, rooming house, hotel, motel, office building, department store, manufacturing, processing, or assembling shop, or plant, warehouse, and every other place or premises where any person resides, or any business is carried on or conducted with the City. *(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**105.03 SANITARY DISPOSAL REQUIRED.** It is the duty of each owner to provide for the sanitary disposal of all refuse accumulating on the owner's premises before it becomes a nuisance. Any such accumulation remaining on any premises for a period of more than 30 days shall be deemed a nuisance and the City may proceed to abate such nuisances in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 50 or by initiating proper action in district court.

*(Code of Iowa, Ch. 657)*

**105.04 HEALTH AND FIRE HAZARD.** It is unlawful for any person to permit to accumulate on any premises, improved or vacant, or on any public place, such quantities of solid waste that constitute a health, sanitation or fire hazard.

**105.05 OPEN BURNING RESTRICTED.** No person shall allow, cause or permit open burning of combustible materials where the products of combustion are emitted into the open air without passing through a chimney or stack, except that open burning is permitted in the following circumstances:

*(IAC, 567-23.2[455B] and 567-100.2)*

1. Disaster Rubbish. The open burning of rubbish, including landscape waste, for the duration of the community disaster period in cases where an officially declared emergency condition exists, provided that the burning of any structures or demolished structures is conducted in accordance with 40 CFR Section 61.145.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3a])*

2. Trees and Tree Trimmings. The open burning of trees and tree trimmings at a City-operated burning site, provided such burning is conducted in compliance with the rules established by the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3b])*

3. Flare Stacks. The open burning or flaring of waste gases, provided such open burning or flaring is conducted in compliance with applicable rules of the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3c])*

4. Landscape Waste. The disposal by open burning of landscape waste originating on the premises. However, the burning of landscape waste produced in clearing, grubbing and construction operations shall be limited to areas located at least one-fourth mile from any building inhabited by other than the landowner or tenant conducting the open burning. Rubber tires shall not be used to ignite landscape waste.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3d])*

5. Recreational Fires. Open fires for cooking, heating, recreation, and ceremonies, provided they comply with the limits for emission of visible air contaminants established by the State Department of Natural Resources. Rubber tires shall not be burned in a recreational fire.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3e])*

6. Residential Waste. Backyard burning of residential waste at dwellings of four-family units or less.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3f])*

7. Training Fires. Fires set for the purpose of conducting bona fide training of public or industrial employees in firefighting methods, provided that the training fires are conducted in compliance with rules established by the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3g])*

8. Pesticide Containers and Seed Corn Bags. The disposal by open burning of paper or plastic pesticide containers (except those formerly containing organic forms of beryllium, selenium, mercury, lead, cadmium or arsenic) and seed corn bags resulting from farming activities occurring on the premises if burned in accordance with rules established by the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3h])*

9. Agricultural Structures. The open burning of agricultural structures if in accordance with rules and limitations established by the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3i])*

10. Controlled Burning of a Demolished Building. The controlled burning of a demolished building by the City, subject to approval of the Council, provided that the controlled burning is conducted in accordance with rules and limitations established by the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[3j])*

11. Variance. Any person wishing to conduct open burning of materials not permitted herein may make application for a variance to the Director of the State Department of Natural Resources.

*(IAC, 567-23.2[2])*

**105.06 SEPARATION OF YARD WASTE REQUIRED.** All yard waste shall be separated by the owner or occupant from all other solid waste accumulated on the premises and shall be composted or burned on the premises or placed in acceptable containers and set out for collection. As used in this section, “yard waste” means any debris such as grass clippings, leaves, garden waste, brush, and trees. Yard waste does not include tree stumps.

**105.07 LITTERING PROHIBITED.** No person shall discard any litter onto or in any water or land, except that nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the authorized collection and discarding of such litter in or on areas or receptacles provided for such purpose. When litter is discarded from a motor vehicle, the driver of the motor vehicle shall be responsible for the act in any case where doubt exists as to which occupant of the motor vehicle actually discarded the litter.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 455B.363)*

**105.08 TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS WASTE.** No person shall deposit in a solid waste container or otherwise offer for collection any toxic or hazardous waste. Such materials shall be transported and disposed of as prescribed by the Director of the State Department of Natural Resources. As used in this section, “toxic and hazardous waste” means waste materials, including (but not limited to) poisons, pesticides, herbicides, acids, caustics, pathological waste, flammable or explosive materials, and similar harmful waste that requires special handling and that must be disposed of in such a manner as to conserve the environment and protect the public health and safety.

*(IAC, 567-100.2)*

*(IAC, 567-102.13[2] and 400-27.14[2])*

**105.09 WASTE STORAGE CONTAINERS.** Every person owning, managing, operating, leasing, or renting any premises, dwelling unit or any place where refuse accumulates shall provide and maintain in good order and repair waste storage containers complying with the following specifications:

1. Residential. The collector shall provide one (1) sixty-four (64) or ninety-six (96) gallon portable and reusable container to each premises for the collection and storage of solid waste. The container shall remain the property of collector and is to remain with the premises. Each premises is allowed one (1) container to be picked up on each collection day. Any additional bag or container that are placed out for collection shall not be over fifty (50) pounds and shall have an approved garbage collection sticker attached. Single use stickers will be available from City Clerk at a cost of three dollars (\$3.00) per fifty (50) pounds of solid waste to be picked up. Excessive garbage without garbage collection stickers is subject to not being collected. Garbage collection stickers cannot be reused.
2. Commercial. Same as Subsection 1 above, except where an excessive amount of refuse accumulates or where its storage in the portable and reusable containers provided by the collector is impractical, the commercial premises shall utilize metal bulk storage containers approved by the collector. The cost for metal bulk storage containers shall be collected with the solid waste collection fee.
3. Storage of Containers. All solid waste containers shall be stored upon private property. All property owners shall be responsible for proper storage of all garbage and yard waste to suppress disturbances by animals, insect infestation, and the prevention of materials from being blown and scattered around neighboring yards and streets.
4. Location of Containers for Collection. The collection site shall be accessible to collection equipment, public health personnel, and fire inspection personnel. Solid waste containers shall be placed along a curb, alley, or acceptable private property location no more than twelve (12) hours in advance of the regularly scheduled collection day and shall be promptly removed from the curb line following collection. Solid waste containers shall not remain upon public property after twelve (12) hours from collection.
5. Damaged or Stolen Containers. Damaged or stolen containers are to be reported to the City Clerk for replacement by the collector. Until the container is replaced, each residential premises is allowed three (3) thirty (30) gallon bags or containers weighing no more than fifty (50) pounds and each commercial premises is allowed four (4) thirty (30) gallon bags or containers weighing no more than fifty (50) pounds. Any additional bag or container that are placed out for collection shall not be over fifty (50) pounds and shall have an approved garbage collection sticker attached.
6. Nonconforming Containers. After February 1, 2022, solid waste placed in containers that are not in compliance with the provisions of this section are subject to not being collected.

*(Section 55.09 – Ord 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**105.10 PROHIBITED PRACTICES.** It is unlawful for any person to:

1. Unlawful Use of Containers. Deposit refuse in any solid waste containers not owned by such person without the written consent of the owner of such containers.
2. Interfere with Collectors. Interfere in any manner with solid waste collection equipment or with solid waste collectors in the lawful performance of their duties as

such, whether such equipment or collectors be those of the City, or those of any other authorized waste collection service.

3. Incinerators. Burn rubbish or garbage except in incinerators designed for high temperature operation, in which solid, semisolid, liquid, or gaseous combustible refuse is ignited and burned efficiently, and from which the solid residues contain little or no combustible material, as acceptable to the Environmental Protection Commission.

4. Scavenging. Take or collect any solid waste that has been placed out for collection on any premises, unless such person is an authorized solid waste collector.

**105.11 SANITARY DISPOSAL PROJECT DESIGNATED.** The sanitary landfill facilities operated by Black Hawk County Solid Waste Management Commission are hereby designated as the official “Public Sanitary Disposal Project” for the disposal of solid waste produced or originating within the City.

**105.12 RECYCLING PROGRAM.** Recycling is a voluntary program of collecting and processing materials that would otherwise be discarded as garbage in a landfill and have the recyclable materials transported to recyclers for processing them into new products. To support the benefits of the recycling program, the City shall provide for the collection of recyclable material within the provisions of the contract between the City and the collector. All separated recyclable materials shall be prepared for collection in accordance with the rules and regulations as established by the collector.

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## CHAPTER 106

### COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE

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**106.01 COLLECTION SERVICE.** The City shall provide by contract for the collection of all solid waste except bulky rubbish as provided in Section 106.05 within the City.

**106.02 COLLECTION VEHICLES.** Vehicles or containers used for the collection and transportation of garbage and similar putrescible waste or solid waste containing such materials shall be leak-proof, durable and of easily cleanable construction. They shall be cleaned to prevent nuisances, pollution, or insect breeding and shall be maintained in good repair.

*(IAC, 567-104.9[455B])*

**106.03 LOADING.** Vehicles or containers used for the collection and transportation of any solid waste shall be loaded and moved in such a manner that the contents will not fall, leak, or spill therefrom, and shall be covered to prevent blowing or loss of material. Where spillage does occur, the material shall be picked up immediately by the collector or transporter and returned to the vehicle or container and the area properly cleaned.

**106.04 FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION.** All solid waste shall be collected from residential premises at least once each week and from commercial, industrial and institutional premises as frequently as may be necessary, but not less than once each week.

**106.05 BULKY RUBBISH.** Bulky rubbish that is too large or heavy to be collected in the normal manner of other solid waste may be collected by the collector upon request in accordance with procedures established by the Council.

**106.06 RIGHT OF ENTRY.** Solid waste collectors are hereby authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of collecting solid waste, as required by this chapter; however, solid waste collectors shall not enter dwelling units or other residential buildings.

**106.07 CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS.** No person shall engage in the business of collecting, transporting, processing or disposing of solid waste for the City without first entering into a contract with the City. This section does not prohibit an owner from transporting solid waste accumulating upon premises owned, occupied or used by such owner, provided such refuse is disposed of properly in an approved sanitary disposal project. Furthermore, a contract is not required for the removal, hauling, or disposal of earth and rock material from grading or excavation activities, provided that all such materials are conveyed in tight vehicles, trucks or receptacles so constructed and maintained that none of the material being transported is spilled upon any public right-of-way.

**106.08 COLLECTION FEES.** The collection and disposal of solid waste as provided by this chapter are declared to be beneficial to the property served or eligible to be served and there shall be levied and collected fees for the same, in accordance with the following:

*(Goreham vs. Des Moines, 1970, 179 NW 2nd, 449)*

1. Schedule of Fees. As of January 1, 2020, the fees for solid waste collection and disposal service, used or available, are:

- A. For each residence - \$19.00 per month.
- B. For each leased Indian Pond lot with cabin having 6-month service period - \$19.00 per month.
- C. For each commercial premises without special solid waste needs - \$19.00 per month.
- D. For each commercial or institutional premises with special solid waste needs such as a dumpster, the commercial or institutional premises shall be charged separately for the special solid waste need such as the dumpster fee as charged by the contractor plus any administrative costs deemed appropriate by the City.

*(Section 106.08 – Ord. 2019-8 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**106.09 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT.** Except as provided for in Section 99.06 of this Code of Ordinances, the owner of the premises served and any lessee or tenant thereof are jointly and severally liable for fees for solid waste collection and disposal. Fees remaining unpaid and delinquent shall constitute a lien upon the property or premises served and shall be certified by the Clerk to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)*

**106.10 WALK-UP SERVICE.** Where the occupant(s) of a residential unit has physical limitations, a walk-up collection service for the residential unit is available at no additional charge. For this walk-up service, the refuse containers must be visible from the street and shall not further than 100 feet from the street. To initialize the walk-up service, a written request is to be submitted to the City Clerk specifying the property address, pickup location and reason, and upon approval, the City Clerk shall notify the contractor and establish the walk-up service. The City Clerk will notify the requestor on when the walk-up service will begin.

*(Ord. 2019-8 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**106.11 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF SERVICE.** Where a residential unit will not be occupied for an extended time period and no solid waste is to be collected, the property owner may request a temporary suspension of solid waste collection service and stop the billing during this time period. The suspension period shall be on a monthly billing period basis and the period shall not be less than 2 months in length. The purpose for suspending service is to facilitate when occupants of the residential unit have moved to a long-term care facility or have re-locate to different location for the winter months (snowbirds) and do not produce refuse that does not require collection. The property owner is to submit a written request for temporary suspension of solid waste service to the City Clerk by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to when collection service is to be stopped. The written request shall identify the property address, property owner, the anticipated length of the suspension period and reason for suspension. Upon approval of the

request, the City Clerk shall notify the contractor and stop the collection service and billing to the City. The re-start of collection service and billing will begin based on the written request unless the requestor notifies the City Clerk by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to start of collection service.

*(Ord. 2019-8 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

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## CHAPTER 110

# ELECTRIC FRANCHISE

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**110.01 FRANCHISE GRANTED.** The City hereby grants unto Alliant Energy, an Iowa Corporation, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called the Grantee, the right, permission, privilege and franchise, for a period of 25 years from and after the date the ordinance codified by this chapter became effective,<sup>†</sup> subject only to the laws of the State in force at the time of the adoption of said ordinance and to the conditions and limitations hereinafter contained, to erect, install, construct, reconstruct, repair, own, operate, maintain, manage and control an electric plant and an electric transmission and distribution system consisting of poles, wires, conduits, pipes, conductors and other fixtures, within the limits of the City, necessary, convenient or proper for the production, transmission, distribution and delivery of electric energy to the City and its inhabitants for light, heat and power purposes.

**110.02 RIGHT OF WAY GRANTED.** The Grantee is hereby granted: (i) the right-of-way in, under, over, along and across the streets, lanes, avenues, sidewalks, alleys, bridges and public grounds of the City; and (ii) the right of eminent domain, as provided in Section 364.2 of the *Code of Iowa*, all for the purpose of erecting, installing, constructing, reconstructing, repairing, owning, operating, maintaining, managing and controlling said electric plant and said electric transmission and distribution system.

**110.03 INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY.** The Grantee shall hold the City free and harmless of and from any and all liability, damages, actions and causes of action, caused by or through the neglect or mismanagement of the Grantee in the erection, installation, construction, reconstruction, repair, operation, maintenance, management or control of the electric plant and electric transmission and distribution system.

**110.04 RESTORATION OF PROPERTY.** The Grantee shall not, during the erection, installation, construction, reconstruction, repair, operation and maintenance of said plant or transmission and distribution system, unnecessarily impede public travel on the streets, lanes, avenues, sidewalks, alleys, bridges and public grounds of the City, and shall leave all of said streets, lanes, avenues, sidewalks, alleys, bridges and public grounds upon which it may enter for the purposes herein authorized in as good condition as they were at the date of said entry.

**110.05 EXTENSION OF SERVICE.** The Grantee will extend service to any customer within the corporate limits of the City in accordance with the Service Standards of the Grantee as filed with the State Utilities Board.

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<sup>†</sup> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Ordinance No. 7-98 adopting an electric franchise for the City, was passed and adopted on July 2, 1998. Voters approved the franchise at an election held on August 18, 1998. The Grantee accepted the franchise on September 10, 1998.

**110.06 MOVING OF BUILDINGS.** Whenever any person has obtained permission from the City to move any building or structure which may interfere with the poles, wires, or other fixtures of the Grantee, the Grantee shall, upon five days' notice thereof, and at the expense of the person desiring to move such structure, remove such poles, wires or other fixtures as may be necessary to allow the passage of such structure, for a reasonable length of time, upon receipt from such person of satisfactory assurance covering the cost of such removal and replacement and any liability or damage resulting therefrom.

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## CHAPTER 111

# WATER FRANCHISE

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**111.01 FRANCHISE GRANTED.** There is hereby granted to Iowa Regional Utilities Association, doing business as Central Iowa Water Association, (CIWA) a non-profit corporation organized and existing under the provisions of Chapter 504 et. seq. of the *Code of Iowa*, its successors and assigns, the right, franchise and privilege for a period of 40 years from and after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter,<sup>†</sup> to acquire, construct, operate and maintain in the City, as provided herein, the necessary facilities, fixtures, pipelines and equipment for a public water supply system (the “system”) for public and private use and to construct and maintain over, upon, across and under streets, highways, avenues, alleys, bridges, and public places the necessary facilities, fixtures, pipelines and equipment for such purposes. This grant of franchise is subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the Agreement for a Public Water Supply System which is attached to Ordinance No. 2015-3 and on file in the office of the Clerk, and by this reference made a part hereof as though set forth in full herein.

**111.02 LOCATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.** The facilities, fixtures, pipelines and equipment for the system within the City shall be placed and maintained so as not to unnecessarily or unreasonably interfere with the travel on the streets, highways, avenues, alleys, bridges, and public places in the City, nor shall such facilities, fixtures, pipelines and equipment unnecessarily or unreasonably interfere with the proper use of the same, including sanitary sewer systems, ordinary (non-sanitary-sewer) surface water drainage or storm water drainage systems. In the event that facilities, fixtures, pipeline and equipment of the system located within a public right-of-way must be relocated because of paving, road construction, or road reconstruction, or the construction or reconstruction of the public sanitary sewer system, (non-sanitary-sewer) surface water drainage or storm water drainage system or similar public works, such relocation, at the written request of the City, shall be timely completed by CIWA at its initial cost (subject to reimbursement (hereof by the City to CIWA) and with the City allowed up to 10 years to repay, under level annual amortized payments, the principal sum of such costs to CIWA, its successors or assigns, together with interest thereon at two hundred basis points above prime rate at the time of initiation of such construction/reconstruction by CIWA.

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<sup>†</sup> **EDITOR’S NOTE:** Ordinance No. 2015-3 granting a water franchise to Central Iowa Water Association, was passed and adopted on March 18, 2015. In 2007, the Central Iowa Water Association was renamed to Iowa Regional Utilities Association.

**111.03 NOTIFICATION OF NEW CONSTRUCTION.** CIWA shall not be required to obtain any permit or other form of license or permission for the construction of any part of the system within the City or within the public right-of-way. However, CIWA shall notify the City Clerk or Mayor of intended new construction within the City not less than 10 days prior to initiation thereof except in cases of service failure or other emergency; and, within 10 days of receipt of such notice, the City shall advise CIWA of any conflict such construction may have with planned or anticipated public improvements.

**111.04 INDEMNIFICATION.** Except as provided for herein, CIWA shall not be deemed, by virtue of the Agreement with the City, to have assumed any liabilities or expenses of the City or any of its residents. CIWA shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from all loss, claims or damages on account of injury to or death of persons, or injury to property arising from the construction, maintenance or operation of the system within the City occurring on or after the Implementation Date as that phrase is defined by the Agreement for a Public Water Supply System. CIWA shall hire legal counsel of its choice and at its own expense to defend, without regard to fault of the City, any action at law, in equity or in an administrative proceeding brought against the City on account thereof. The City shall give CIWA prompt notice of the filing of any such claim or suit and extend its full cooperation in the defense thereof. The City assigns to CIWA the right to assert all defenses which the City could itself raise in any such action on behalf of itself or others.

**111.05 NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE.** The franchise shall not be exclusive and shall not, except as herein otherwise stated, restrict in any manner the right of the City Council or any other governing body of the City in the exercise of any governmental power which it may now have or hereafter be authorized or permitted by laws of the State of Iowa, except that the City shall not under any circumstance compete with CIWA by furnishing any similar service within the City during the term of the franchise without prior consent of CIWA.

**111.06 CAPACITY OF SYSTEM.** The System authorized by this chapter shall be of sufficient capacity to handle all reasonable demands of the City and the inhabitants thereof and shall be kept in a good working condition.

**111.07 CIWA PROPERTY AND SERVICES NOT SUBJECT TO TAXES.** Except as may be required relative to any applicable sales taxes, CIWA's property and/or provision of public water supply services within the City shall never be subject to any tax by or to the City or any agency or subdivision thereof, failing which the City shall directly reimburse CIWA therefor.

**111.08 NOTICE.** Written notice to CIWA under this chapter shall be effectuated by letter sent by certified or registered mail to the registered agent or the chief executive officer of CIWA.

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## CHAPTER 120

# LIQUOR LICENSES AND WINE AND BEER PERMITS

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**120.01 LICENSE OR PERMIT REQUIRED.** No person shall manufacture for sale, import, sell, or offer or keep for sale, alcoholic liquor, wine, or beer without first securing a liquor control license, wine permit, or beer permit in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 123 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.22, 123.122, and 123.171)*

**120.02 GENERAL PROHIBITION.** It is unlawful to manufacture for sale, sell, offer or keep for sale, possess or transport alcoholic liquor, wine or beer except upon the terms, conditions, limitations, and restrictions enumerated in Chapter 123 of the *Code of Iowa*, and a license or permit may be suspended or revoked or a civil penalty may be imposed for a violation thereof.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.2, 123.39, and 123.50)*

**120.03 INVESTIGATION.** Upon receipt of an application for a liquor license, wine or beer permit, the Clerk may forward it to the peace officer, who shall then conduct an investigation and submit a written report as to the truth of the facts averred in the application. The Fire Chief may also inspect the premises to determine if they conform to the requirements of the City. The Council shall not approve an application for a license or permit for any premises that does not conform to the applicable law and ordinances, resolutions, and regulations of the City.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.30)*

**120.04 ACTION BY COUNCIL.** The Council shall either approve or disapprove the issuance of the liquor control license or retail wine or beer permit and shall endorse its approval or disapproval on the application, and thereafter the application, necessary fee and bond, if required, shall be forwarded to the Alcoholic Beverages Division of the State Department of Commerce for such further action as is provided by law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.32[2])*

**120.05 PROHIBITED SALES AND ACTS.** A person or club holding a liquor license or retail wine or beer permit and the person's or club's agents or employees shall not do any of the following:

1. Sell, dispense, or give to any intoxicated person, or one simulating intoxication, any alcoholic beverage.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[1])*

2. Sell or dispense any alcoholic beverage on the premises covered by the license or permit, or permit its consumption thereon between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on a weekday, and between the hours of 2:00 a.m. on Sunday and 6:00 a.m. on the following Monday; however, a holder of a liquor control license or retail wine or beer permit granted the privilege of selling alcoholic liquor, wine, or beer on Sunday may sell or dispense alcoholic liquor, wine, or beer between the hours of 6:00 a.m. on Sunday

and 2:00 a.m. of the following Monday, and further provided that a holder of any class of liquor control license or the holder of a Class “B” beer permit may sell or dispense alcoholic liquor, wine, or beer for consumption on the premises between the hours of 6:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday when that Monday is New Year’s Day and beer for consumption off the premises between the hours of 6:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on the following Monday when that Sunday is the day before New Year’s Day. *(Ord. 2021-3 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2b] and 123.150)*

3. Sell alcoholic beverages to any person on credit, except with a bona fide credit card. This provision does not apply to sales by a club to its members, to sales by a hotel or motel to bona fide registered guests or to retail sales by the managing entity of a convention center, civic center, or events center.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2c])*

4. Employ a person under 18 years of age in the sale or serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises where sold.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2f])*

5. In the case of a retail wine or beer permittee, knowingly allow the mixing or adding of alcohol or any alcoholic beverage to wine, beer, or any other beverage in or about the permittee’s place of business.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2i])*

6. Knowingly permit any gambling, except in accordance with Iowa law, or knowingly permit any solicitation for immoral purposes, or immoral or disorderly conduct on the premises covered by the license or permit.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2a])*

7. Knowingly permit or engage in any criminal activity on the premises covered by the license or permit.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2j])*

8. Keep on premises covered by a liquor control license any alcoholic liquor in any container except the original package purchased from the Alcoholic Beverages Division of the State Department of Commerce and except mixed drinks or cocktails mixed on the premises for immediate consumption. However, mixed drinks or cocktails that are mixed on the premises and are not for immediate consumption may be consumed on the licensed premises, subject to rules adopted by the Alcoholic Beverages Division.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2d])*

9. Reuse for packaging alcoholic liquor or wine any container or receptacle used originally for packaging alcoholic liquor or wine; or adulterate, by the addition of any substance, the contents or remaining contents of an original package of an alcoholic liquor or wine; or knowingly possess any original package that has been reused or adulterated.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2e])*

10. Allow any person other than the licensee, permittee, or employees of the licensee or permittee to use or keep on the licensed premises any alcoholic liquor in any bottle or other container that is designed for the transporting of such beverages, except as allowed by State law.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[2g])*

11. Sell, give, possess, or otherwise supply a machine that is used to vaporize an alcoholic beverage for the purpose of being consumed in a vaporized form.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 123.49[21])*

**120.06 AMUSEMENT DEVICES.** The following provisions pertain to electrical or mechanical amusement devices possessed and used in accordance with Chapter 99B of the *Code of Iowa*. (Said devices are allowed only in premises with a liquor control license or beer permit, as specifically authorized in said Chapter 99B.)

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 99B.57)*

1. As used in this section, “registered electrical or mechanical amusement device” means an electrical or mechanical device required to be registered with the Iowa Department of Inspection and Appeals, as provided in Section 99B.53 of the *Code of Iowa*.
2. It is unlawful for any person under the age of 21 to participate in the operation of a registered electrical or mechanical amusement device.
3. It is unlawful for any person owning or leasing a registered electrical or mechanical amusement device, or an employee of a person owning or leasing a registered electrical or mechanical amusement device, to knowingly allow a person under the age of 21 to participate in the operation of a registered electrical or mechanical amusement device.
4. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly participate in the operation of a registered electrical or mechanical amusement device with a person under the age of 21.

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## CHAPTER 121

# CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO PERMITS

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**121.01 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter the following terms are defined:  
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.1)

1. “Alternative nicotine product” means a product, not consisting of or containing tobacco, that provides for the ingestion into the body of nicotine, whether by chewing, absorbing, dissolving, inhaling, snorting, or sniffing, or by any other means. “Alternative nicotine product” does not include cigarettes, tobacco products, or vapor products, or a product that is regulated as a drug or device by the United States Food and Drug Administration under Chapter V of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
2. “Cigarette” means any roll for smoking made wholly or in part of tobacco, or any substitute for tobacco, irrespective of size or shape and irrespective of tobacco or any substitute for tobacco being flavored, adulterated, or mixed with any other ingredient, where such roll has a wrapper or cover made of paper or any other material. However, cigarette shall not be construed to include cigars.
3. “Place of business” means any place where cigarettes, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products are sold, stored, or kept for the purpose of sale or consumption by a retailer.
4. “Retailer” means every person who sells, distributes or offers for sale for consumption, or possesses for the purpose of sale for consumption, cigarettes, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products, irrespective of the quantity or amount or the number of sales, or who engages in the business of selling tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products to ultimate consumers.
5. “Self-service display” means any manner of product display, placement, or storage from which a person purchasing the product may take possession of the product, prior to purchase, without assistance from the retailer or employee of the retailer, in removing the product from a restricted access location.
6. “Tobacco products” means the following: cigars; little cigars; cheroots; stogies; periques; granulated, plug cut, crimp cut, ready rubbed and other smoking tobacco; snuff; cavendish; plug and twist tobacco; fine-cut and other chewing tobaccos; shorts or refuse scraps, clippings, cuttings and sweepings of tobacco; and other kinds and forms of tobacco prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing or smoking in a pipe or otherwise, or for both chewing and smoking, but does not mean cigarettes.
7. “Vapor product” means any noncombustible product, which may or may not contain nicotine, that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical, or mechanical means, regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce vapor from a solution or other substance. “Vapor product” includes

an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device, and any cartridge or other container of a solution or other substance, which may or may not contain nicotine, that is intended to be used with or in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device. “Vapor product” does not include a product regulated as a drug or device by the United States Food and Drug Administration under Chapter V of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

**121.02 PERMIT REQUIRED.**

1. Retail Cigarette Permits. It is unlawful for any person, other than a holder of a retail permit, to sell cigarettes, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products at retail and no retailer shall distribute, sell, or solicit the sale of any cigarettes, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products within the City without a valid permit for each place of business. The permit shall, at all times, be publicly displayed at the place of business so as to be easily seen by the public and the persons authorized to inspect the place of business.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.13)*

2. Retail Tobacco Permits. It is unlawful for any person to engage in the business of a retailer of tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products at any place of business without first having received a permit as a retailer for each place of business owned or operated by the retailer.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.47A)*

A retailer who holds a retail cigarette permit is not required to also obtain a retail tobacco permit. However, if a retailer only holds a retail cigarette permit and that permit is suspended, revoked, or expired, the retailer shall not sell any tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products, during such time.

**121.03 APPLICATION.** A completed application on forms furnished by the State Department of Revenue or on forms made available or approved by the Department and accompanied by the required fee shall be filed with the Clerk. Renewal applications shall be filed at least five days prior to the last regular meeting of the Council in June. If a renewal application is not timely filed, and a special Council meeting is called to act on the application, the costs of such special meeting shall be paid by the applicant.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.13 & 453A.47A)*

**121.04 FEES.** The fee for a retail cigarette or tobacco permit shall be as follows:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.13 & 453A.47A)*

<b>FOR PERMITS GRANTED DURING:</b>	<b>FEE:</b>
July, August or September	\$ 75.00
October, November or December	\$ 56.25
January, February or March	\$ 37.50
April, May or June	\$ 18.75

**121.05 ISSUANCE AND EXPIRATION.** Upon proper application and payment of the required fee, a permit shall be issued. Each permit issued shall describe clearly the place of business for which it is issued and shall be nonassignable. All permits expire on June 30 of each year. The Clerk shall submit a duplicate of any application for a permit to the Alcoholic Beverages Division of the Department of Commerce within 30 days of issuance of a permit.

**121.06 REFUNDS.** A retailer may surrender an unrevoked permit and receive a refund from the City, except during April, May, or June, in accordance with the schedule of refunds as provided in Section 453A.13 or 453A.47A of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, 453A.13 & 453A.47A)*

**121.07 PERSONS UNDER LEGAL AGE.** No person shall sell, give, or otherwise supply any tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, vapor products, or cigarettes to any person under 18 years of age. The provision of this section includes prohibiting a minor from purchasing tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, vapor products, and cigarettes from a vending machine. If a retailer or employee of a retailer violates the provisions of this section, the Council shall, after written notice and hearing, and in addition to the other penalties fixed for such violation, assess the following:

1. For a first violation, the retailer shall be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$300.00. Failure to pay the civil penalty as ordered under this subsection shall result in automatic suspension of the permit for a period of 14 days.
2. For a second violation within a period of two years, the retailer shall be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500.00 or the retailer's permit shall be suspended for a period of 30 days. The retailer may select its preference in the penalty to be applied under this subsection.
3. For a third violation within a period of three years, the retailer shall be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500.00 and the retailer's permit shall be suspended for a period of 30 days.
4. For a fourth violation within a period of three years, the retailer shall be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500.00 and the retailer's permit shall be suspended for a period of 60 days.
5. For a fifth violation within a period of four years, the retailer's permit shall be revoked.

The Clerk shall give 10 days' written notice to the retailer by mailing a copy of the notice to the place of business as it appears on the application for a permit. The notice shall state the reason for the contemplated action and the time and place at which the retailer may appear and be heard.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.2, 453A.22 and 453A.36[6])*

**121.08 SELF-SERVICE SALES PROHIBITED.** Except for the sale of cigarettes through a cigarette vending machine as provided in Section 453A.36[6] of the *Code of Iowa*, a retailer shall not sell or offer for sale tobacco, tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, vapor products, or cigarettes through the use of a self-service display.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.36A)*

**121.09 PERMIT REVOCATION.** Following a written notice and an opportunity for a hearing, as provided by the *Code of Iowa*, the Council may also revoke a permit issued pursuant to this chapter for a violation of Division I of Chapter 453A of the *Code of Iowa* or any rule adopted thereunder. If a permit is revoked, a new permit shall not be issued to the permit holder for any place of business, or to any other person for the place of business at which the violation occurred, until one year has expired from the date of revocation, unless good cause to the contrary is shown to the Council. The Clerk shall report the revocation or suspension of a retail permit to the Alcoholic Beverages Division of the Department of Commerce within 30 days of the revocation or suspension.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 453A.22)*

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## CHAPTER 135

### STREET USE AND MAINTENANCE

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*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)*

**135.02 OBSTRUCTING OR DEFACING.** It is unlawful for any person to obstruct, deface or injure any street or alley in any manner.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)*

**135.03 PLACING DEBRIS ON.** It is unlawful for any person to throw or deposit on any street or alley any glass, glass bottle, nails, tacks, wire, cans, trash, garbage, rubbish, litter, offal, leaves, grass or any other debris likely to be washed into the storm sewer and clog the storm sewer, or any substance likely to injure any person, animal or vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.369)*

**135.04 PLAYING IN.** It is unlawful for any person to coast, sled, or play games on streets or alleys, except in the areas blocked off by the City for such purposes.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2])*

**135.05 TRAVELING ON BARRICADED STREET OR ALLEY.** It is unlawful for any person to travel or operate any vehicle on any street or alley temporarily closed by barricades, lights, signs, or flares placed thereon by the authority or permission of any City official, police officer or member of the Fire Department.

**135.06 USE FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.** It is unlawful to park, store or place, temporarily or permanently, any machinery or junk or any other goods, wares, and merchandise of any kind upon any street or alley for the purpose of storage, exhibition, sale or offering same for sale, without permission of the Council.

**135.07 WASHING VEHICLES.** It is unlawful for any person to use any public sidewalk, street, or alley for the purpose of washing or cleaning any automobile, truck equipment, or any vehicle of any kind when such work is done for hire or as a business. This does not prevent any person from washing or cleaning his or her own vehicle or equipment when it is lawfully parked in the street or alley.

**135.08 BURNING PROHIBITED.** In the interest of public safety and prevent damage to culverts, street and alley surfaces, and other public structures and prevent the creation of storm water drainage issues, no person shall burn any trash, leaves, rubbish, or other combustible material in any curb and gutter, on any paved or surfaced street or alley, or upon any grassy portion within the street right of way.

Burning of grass, leaves or brush may be authorized within the grassy portion of the street right of way that abuts property used for agricultural purposes by applying for an open burning permit with the Fire Chief. The application does not constitute a burning permit until approved and signed by the Fire Chief. The burning permit serves as notice to the Fire Department and Bremer County dispatch of the burning activity. The burning permit applicant shall be responsible to ensure adequate precautions are taken so such burning will not cause a fire hazard to the public. There is no fee charged for the building permit.

*(Ord. 201903-1 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**135.09 EXCAVATIONS.** No person shall dig, excavate, or in any manner disturb any street, parking or alley except in accordance with the following:

1. Permit Required. No excavation shall be commenced without first obtaining a permit. A written application for such permit shall be filed with the City and shall contain the following:
  - A. An exact description of the property, by lot and street number, in front of or along which it is desired to excavate.
  - B. A statement of the purpose, for whom and by whom the excavation is to be made, and contact information for each, including but not limited to complete addresses, phone numbers, and cell phone numbers.
  - C. The person responsible for the refilling of said excavation and restoration of the street or alley surface with their contact information.
  - D. Date of commencement of the work and estimated completion date.
2. Public Convenience. Streets and alleys shall be opened in the manner that will cause the least inconvenience to the public and admit the uninterrupted passage of water along the gutter on the street.
3. Barricades, Fencing and Lighting. Adequate barricades, fencing and warning lights meeting standards specified by the City shall be so placed as to protect the public from hazard. Any costs incurred by the City in providing or maintaining adequate barricades, fencing or warning lights shall be paid to the City by the permit holder/property owner.
4. Bond Required. The applicant shall post with the City a penal bond in the minimum sum of \$5,000.00 issued by a surety company authorized to issue such bonds in the State. The bond shall guarantee the permittee's payment for any damage done to the City or to public property, and payment of all costs incurred by the City in the course of administration of this section. In lieu of a surety bond, a cash deposit of \$5,000.00 may be filed with the City.
5. Insurance Required. Each applicant shall also file a certificate of insurance indicating that the applicant is carrying public liability insurance in effect for the duration of the permit covering the applicant and all agents and employees for the following minimum amounts:

- A. Bodily Injury - \$100,000.00 per person; \$200,000.00 per accident.
  - B. Property Damage - \$100,000.00 per accident.
6. Restoration of Public Property. Streets, sidewalks, alleys and other public property disturbed in the course of the work shall be restored to the condition of the property prior to the commencement of the work, or in a manner satisfactory to the City, at the expense of the permit holder/property owner.
  7. Inspection. All work shall be subject to inspection by the City. Backfill shall not be deemed completed, and no resurfacing of any improved street or alley surface shall begin, until such backfill is inspected and approved by the City. The permit holder/property owner shall provide the City with notice at least 24 hours prior to the time when inspection of backfill is desired.
  8. Completion by the City. Should any excavation in any street or alley be discontinued or left open and unfinished for a period of 24 hours after the approved completion date, or in the event the work is improperly done, the City has the right to finish or correct the excavation work and charge any expenses for such work to the permit holder/property owner.
  9. Responsibility for Costs. All costs and expenses incident to the excavation shall be borne by the permit holder and/or property owner. The permit holder and owner shall indemnify the City from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by such excavation.
  10. Notification. At least 48 hours prior to the commencement of the excavation, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, the person performing the excavation shall contact the Statewide Notification Center and provide the center with the information required under Section 480.4 of the *Code of Iowa*.
  11. Permit Issued. Upon approval of the application and filing of bond and insurance certificate, a permit shall be issued. A separate permit shall be required for each excavation.
  12. Permit Exemption. Utility companies are exempt from the permit application requirement of this section. They shall, however, comply with all other pertinent provisions.

**135.10 PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE.** The abutting property owner shall maintain all property outside the lot and property lines and inside the curb lines upon public streets and shall keep such area in a safe condition, free from nuisances, obstructions, and hazards. In the absence of a curb, such property shall extend from the property line to that portion of the public street used or improved for vehicular purposes. The abutting property owner shall not be required to remove diseased trees or dead wood on the publicly owned property or right-of-way. Maintenance includes, but is not limited to, timely mowing, trimming trees and shrubs, and picking up litter and debris. The abutting property owner may be liable for damages caused by failure to maintain the publicly owned property or right-of-way.<sup>†</sup>

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2c])*

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<sup>†</sup> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** See also Section 136.04 relating to property owner's responsibility for maintenance of sidewalks.

**135.11 FAILURE TO MAINTAIN.** If the abutting property owner does not perform an action required under the above section within a reasonable time, the City may perform the required action and assess the cost against the abutting property for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2e])*

**135.12 DUMPING OF SNOW.** It is unlawful for any person to throw, push, or place or cause to be thrown, pushed or placed, any ice or snow from private property, sidewalks, or driveways onto the traveled way of a street or alley so as to obstruct gutters, or impede the passage of vehicles upon the street or alley or to create a hazardous condition therein; except where, in the cleaning of large commercial drives in the business district it is absolutely necessary to move the snow onto the street or alley temporarily, such accumulation shall be removed promptly by the property owner or agent. Arrangements for the prompt removal of such accumulations shall be made prior to moving the snow.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2])*

**135.13 DRIVEWAY CULVERTS.** The property owner shall, at the owner's expense, install any culvert deemed necessary under any driveway or any other access to the owner's property, and before installing a culvert, permission must first be obtained from the City. The City shall specify the type and size of culvert. In the event repairs are needed at any time with respect to culverts, it shall be the responsibility of the property owner to make such repairs, and, in the event the owner fails to do so, the City shall have the right to make the repairs. The property owner shall be notified of the repair cost to be assessed by certified mail to the property owner and if the property owner fails to reimburse the City for the cost of said repairs, the cost shall be certified to the County Treasurer and specially assessed against the property as by law provided.

*(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

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## CHAPTER 136

# SIDEWALK REGULATIONS

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**136.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to enhance safe passage by citizens on sidewalks, to place the responsibility for the maintenance, repair, replacement, or reconstruction of sidewalks upon the abutting property owner and to minimize the liability of the City.

**136.02 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter the following terms are defined:

1. "Broom finish" means a sidewalk finish that is made by sweeping the sidewalk when it is hardening.
2. "Established grade" means that grade established by the City for the particular area in which a sidewalk is to be constructed.
3. "One-course construction" means that the full thickness of the concrete is placed at one time, using the same mixture throughout.
4. "Owner" means the person owning the fee title to property abutting any sidewalk and includes any contract purchaser for purposes of notification required herein. For all other purposes, "owner" includes the lessee, if any.
5. "Portland cement" means any type of cement except bituminous cement.
6. "Sidewalk" means all permanent public walks in business, residential or suburban areas.
7. "Sidewalk improvements" means the construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, or removal, of a public sidewalk and/or the excavating, filling or depositing of material in the public right-of-way in connection therewith.
8. "Wood float finish" means a sidewalk finish that is made by smoothing the surface of the sidewalk with a wooden trowel.

**136.03 REMOVAL OF SNOW, ICE, AND ACCUMULATIONS.** The abutting property owner shall remove snow, ice, and accumulations promptly from sidewalks. If a property owner does not remove snow, ice, or accumulations within 24 hours, the City may do so and assess the costs against the property owner for collection in the same manner as a property tax. The abutting property owner may be liable for damages caused by failure to remove snow, ice, and accumulations promptly from the sidewalk.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2b & e])*

**136.04 PROPERTY OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE.** The abutting property owner shall maintain all public right-of-way located between the edge of the street or curb line and the property line and shall keep such area in a safe condition free from debris, nuisances, obstructions or any other hazard. The abutting property owner shall maintain the sidewalk within the public right-of-way in a safe condition, in a state of good repair, and free from defects. The abutting property owner may be liable for damages caused by failure to maintain the public right- of-way located between the edge of the street or curb line and the property line and the sidewalk within.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2c])*

**136.05 CITY MAY ORDER REPAIRS.** If the abutting property owner does not maintain sidewalks as required, the Council may serve notice on such owner, by certified mail, requiring the owner to repair, replace or reconstruct sidewalks within a reasonable time and if such action is not completed within the time stated in the notice, the Council may require the work to be done and assess the costs against the abutting property for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2d & e])*

**136.06 SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION ORDERED.** The Council may order the construction of permanent sidewalks upon any street or court in the City and may specially assess the cost of such improvement to abutting property owners in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 384 of the *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.38)*

**136.07 PERMIT REQUIRED.** No person shall remove, reconstruct, or install a sidewalk unless such person has obtained a building permit pursuant to Section 155.04 from the City and has agreed in writing that said removal, reconstruction, or installation will comply with all ordinances and requirements of the City for such work.

**136.08 SIDEWALK STANDARDS.** Sidewalks repaired, replaced, or constructed under the provisions of this chapter shall be of the following construction and meet the following standards:

1. Cement. Portland cement shall be the only cement used in the construction and repair of sidewalks.
2. Construction. Sidewalks shall be of one-course construction.
3. Sidewalk Base. Concrete may be placed directly on compact and well-drained soil. Where soil is not well drained, a three-inch sub-base of compact, clean, coarse gravel or sand shall be laid. The adequacy of the soil drainage is to be determined by the City.
4. Sidewalk Bed. The sidewalk bed shall be so graded that the constructed sidewalk will be at established grade.
5. Length, Width and Depth. Length, width and depth requirements are as follows:
  - A. Residential sidewalks shall be at least four feet wide and four inches thick, and each section shall be no more than four feet in length.
  - A. Business District sidewalks shall extend from the property line to the curb line unless the location of the sidewalk is varied by an appropriate

resolution of the Council upon application by the landowner. Each section shall be four inches thick and no more than six feet in length.

B. Driveway areas shall be not less than six inches in thickness.

6. Location. Residential sidewalks shall be located with the inner edge (edge nearest the abutting private property) on the property line, unless the Council establishes a different distance due to special circumstances.

7. Grade. Curb tops shall be on level with the centerline of the street, which is the established grade.

8. Elevations. The street edge of a sidewalk shall be at an elevation even with the curb at the curb or not less than one-half inch above the curb for each foot between the curb and the sidewalk.

9. Slope. All sidewalks shall slope one-fourth inch per foot toward the curb.

10. Finish. All sidewalks shall be finished with a broom finish or wood float finish.

11. Curb Ramps and Sloped Areas for Persons with Disabilities. If a street, road, or highway is newly built or reconstructed, a curb ramp or sloped area shall be constructed or installed at each intersection of the street, road, or highway with a sidewalk or path. If a sidewalk or path is newly built or reconstructed, a curb ramp or sloped area shall be constructed or installed at each intersection of the sidewalk or path with a street, highway, or road. Curb ramps and sloped areas that are required pursuant to this subsection shall be constructed or installed in compliance with applicable federal requirements adopted in accordance with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act, including (but not limited to) the guidelines issued by the Federal Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 216C.9)*

**136.09 BARRICADES AND WARNING LIGHTS.** Whenever any material of any kind is deposited on any street, avenue, highway, passageway or alley when sidewalk improvements are being made or when any sidewalk is in a dangerous condition, it shall be the duty of all persons having an interest therein, either as the contractor or the owner, agent, or lessee of the property in front of or along which such material may be deposited, or such dangerous condition exists, to put in conspicuous places at each end of such sidewalk and at each end of any pile of material deposited in the street, a sufficient number of approved warning lights or flares, and to keep them lighted during the entire night and to erect sufficient barricades both at night and in the daytime to secure the same. The party or parties using the street for any of the purposes specified in this chapter shall be liable for all injuries or damage to persons or property arising from any wrongful act or negligence of the party or parties, or their agents or employees or for any misuse of the privileges conferred by this chapter or of any failure to comply with provisions hereof.

**136.10 FAILURE TO REPAIR OR BARRICADE.** It is the duty of the owner of the property abutting the sidewalk, or the owner's contractor or agent, to notify the City immediately in the event of failure or inability to make necessary sidewalk improvements or to install or erect necessary barricades as required by this chapter.

**136.11 INTERFERENCE WITH SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS.** No person shall knowingly or willfully drive any vehicle upon any portion of any sidewalk or approach thereto while in the process of being improved or upon any portion of any completed sidewalk or approach thereto, or shall remove or destroy any part or all of any sidewalk or approach thereto,

or shall remove, destroy, mar or deface any sidewalk at any time or destroy, mar, remove or deface any notice provided by this chapter.

**136.12 AWNINGS.** It is unlawful for a person to erect or maintain any awning over any sidewalk unless all parts of the awning are elevated at least eight feet above the surface of the sidewalk and the roof or covering is made of duck, canvas or other suitable material supported by iron frames or brackets securely fastened to the building, without any posts or other device that will obstruct the sidewalk or hinder or interfere with the free passage of pedestrians.

**136.13 ENCROACHING STEPS.** It is unlawful for a person to erect or maintain any stairs or steps to any building upon any part of any sidewalk without permission by resolution of the Council.

**136.14 OPENINGS AND ENCLOSURES.** It is unlawful for a person to:

1. Stairs and Railings. Construct or build a stairway or passageway to any cellar or basement by occupying any part of the sidewalk, or to enclose any portion of a sidewalk with a railing without permission by resolution of the Council.
2. Openings. Keep open any cellar door, grating, or cover to any vault on any sidewalk except while in actual use with adequate guards to protect the public.
3. Protect Openings. Neglect to properly protect or barricade all openings on or within six feet of any sidewalk.

**136.15 FIRES OR FUEL ON SIDEWALKS.** It is unlawful for a person to make a fire of any kind on any sidewalk or to place or allow any fuel to remain upon any sidewalk.

**136.16 DEFACING.** It is unlawful for a person to scatter or place any paste, paint, or writing on any sidewalk.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)*

**136.17 DEBRIS ON SIDEWALKS.** It is unlawful for a person to throw or deposit on any sidewalk any glass, nails, glass bottle, tacks, wire, cans, trash, garbage, rubbish, litter, offal, or any other debris, or any substance likely to injure any person, animal, or vehicle.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2])*

**136.18 MERCHANDISE DISPLAY.** It is unlawful for a person to place upon or above any sidewalk, any goods or merchandise for sale or for display in such a manner as to interfere with the free and uninterrupted passage of pedestrians on the sidewalk; in no case shall more than three feet of the sidewalk next to the building be occupied for such purposes.

**136.19 SALES STANDS.** It is unlawful for a person to erect or keep any vending machine or stand for the sale of fruit, vegetables or other substances or commodities on any sidewalk without first obtaining a written permit from the Council.

**136.20 DISCHARGE OF WATER ACROSS SIDEWALKS.** It is unlawful for any person to cause waterspouts, troughs or gutters from any building owned or leased by said person to discharge or conduct water upon the surface of any sidewalk in the City, but permission may be given by the Council by resolution to conduct water over or under any sidewalk.

**136.21 DUTY TO TRIM SHRUBS AND TREES.** Notwithstanding other provisions of this Code of Ordinances, it is hereby made the duty of every person owning or occupying any

land abutting a sidewalk within the City to keep all shrubbery or trees extending over the sidewalk trimmed so that all branches are at least eight feet above the surface of the sidewalk.

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## CHAPTER 137

# VACATION AND DISPOSAL OF STREETS

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**137.01 POWER TO VACATE.** When, in the judgment of the Council, it would be in the best interest of the City to vacate a street, alley, portion thereof, or any public grounds, the Council may do so by ordinance in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2a])*

**137.02 NOTICE OF VACATION HEARING.** The Council shall cause to be published a notice of public hearing of the time at which the proposal to vacate shall be considered.

**137.03 FINDINGS REQUIRED.** No street, alley, portion thereof, or any public grounds shall be vacated unless the Council finds that:

1. Public Use. The street, alley, portion thereof, or any public ground proposed to be vacated is not needed for the use of the public, and therefore, its maintenance at public expense is no longer justified.
2. Abutting Property. The proposed vacation will not deny owners of property abutting on the street or alley reasonable access to their property.

**137.04 DISPOSAL OF VACATED STREETS OR ALLEYS.** When in the judgment of the Council it would be in the best interest of the City to dispose of a vacated street or alley, portion thereof or public ground, the Council may do so in accordance with the provisions of Section 364.7, *Code of Iowa*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.7)*

**137.05 DISPOSAL BY GIFT LIMITED.** The City may not dispose of real property by gift except to a governmental body for a public purpose or to a fair.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 174.15[2] & 364.7[3])*





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## CHAPTER 145

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**145.01 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.** The Mayor is responsible for the enforcement of this chapter.

**145.02 GENERAL DEFINITION OF UNSAFE.** All buildings or structures that are structurally unsafe or not provided with adequate egress, or that constitute a fire hazard, or are otherwise dangerous to human life, or that in relation to existing use constitute a hazard to safety or health, or public welfare, by reason of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, obsolescence, or abandonment, are, for the purpose of this chapter, unsafe buildings. All such unsafe buildings are hereby declared to be public nuisances and shall be abated by repair, rehabilitation, demolition, or removal in accordance with the procedure specified in this chapter.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 657A.1 & 364.12[3a])*

**145.03 UNSAFE BUILDING.** “Unsafe building” means any structure or mobile home meeting any or all of the following criteria:

1. Various Inadequacies. Whenever the building or structure, or any portion thereof, because of: (i) dilapidation, deterioration, or decay; (ii) faulty construction; (iii) the removal, movement, or instability of any portion of the ground necessary for the purpose of supporting such building; (iv) the deterioration, decay, or inadequacy of its foundation; or (v) any other cause, is likely to partially or completely collapse.
2. Manifestly Unsafe. Whenever, for any reason, the building or structure, or any portion thereof, is manifestly unsafe for the purpose for which it is being used.
3. Inadequate Maintenance. Whenever a building or structure, used or intended to be used for dwelling purposes, because of dilapidation, decay, damage, faulty construction, or otherwise, is determined by any health officer to be unsanitary, unfit for human habitation or in such condition that it is likely to cause sickness or disease.
4. Fire Hazard. Whenever any building or structure, because of dilapidated condition, deterioration, damage, or other cause, is determined by the Fire Marshal or Fire Chief to be a fire hazard.
5. Abandoned. Whenever any portion of a building or structure remains on a site after the demolition or destruction of the building or structure or whenever any building or structure is abandoned for a period in excess of six months so as to constitute such building or portion thereof an attractive nuisance or hazard to the public.

**145.04 NOTICE TO OWNER.** The enforcement officer shall examine or cause to be examined every building or structure or portion thereof reported as dangerous or damaged and, if such is found to be an unsafe building as defined in this chapter, the enforcement officer shall give to the owner of such building or structure written notice stating the defects thereof. This notice may require the owner or person in charge of the building or premises, within 48 hours

or such reasonable time as the circumstances require, to commence either the required repairs or improvements or demolition and removal of the building or structure or portions thereof, and all such work shall be completed within 90 days from date of notice, unless otherwise stipulated by the enforcement officer. If necessary, such notice shall also require the building, structure, or portion thereof to be vacated forthwith and not reoccupied until the required repairs and improvements are completed, inspected, and approved by the enforcement officer.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*

1. Notice Served. Such notice shall be served by sending by certified mail to the owner of record, according to Section 364.12[3h] of the *Code of Iowa*, if the owner is found within the City limits. If the owner is not found within the City limits, such service may be made upon the owner by registered mail or certified mail. The designated period within which said owner or person in charge is required to comply with the order of the enforcement officer shall begin as of the date the owner receives such notice.
2. Hearing. Such notice shall also advise the owner that he or she may request a hearing before the Council on the notice by filing a written request for hearing within the time provided in the notice.

**145.05 CONDUCT OF HEARING.** If requested, the Council shall conduct a hearing in accordance with the following:

1. Notice. The owner shall be served with written notice specifying the date, time and place of hearing.
2. Owner's Rights. At the hearing, the owner may appear and show cause why the alleged nuisance shall not be abated.
3. Determination. The Council shall make and record findings of fact and may issue such order as it deems appropriate.<sup>†</sup>

**145.06 POSTING OF SIGNS.** The enforcement officer shall cause to be posted at each entrance to such building a notice to read: "DO NOT ENTER. UNSAFE TO OCCUPY. CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA." Such notice shall remain posted until the required demolition, removal or repairs are completed. Such notice shall not be removed without written permission of the enforcement officer and no person shall enter the building except for the purpose of making the required repairs or of demolishing the building.

**145.07 RIGHT TO DEMOLISH; MUNICIPAL INFRACTION.** In case the owner fails, neglects, or refuses to comply with the notice to repair, rehabilitate, or to demolish and remove the building or structure or portion thereof, the Council may order the owner of the building prosecuted as a violator of the provisions of this chapter and may order the enforcement officer to proceed with the work specified in such notice. A statement of the cost of such work shall be transmitted to the Council. As an alternative to this action, the City may utilize the municipal infraction process to abate the nuisance.

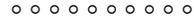
*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*

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<sup>†</sup> **EDITOR'S NOTE:** Suggested forms of notice and of a resolution and order of the Council for the administration of this chapter are provided in the APPENDIX to this Code of Ordinances. Caution is urged in the use of this procedure. We recommend you review the situation with your attorney before initiating procedures and follow his or her recommendation carefully.

**145.08 COSTS.** Costs incurred under Section 145.07 shall be paid out of the City treasury. Such costs shall be charged to the owner of the premises involved and levied as a special assessment against the land on which the building or structure is located, and shall be certified to the County Treasurer for collection in the manner provided for other taxes. In addition, the City may take any other action deemed appropriate to recover costs incurred.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[3h])*



## CHAPTER 146

# MANUFACTURED AND MOBILE HOMES

### 146.01 Definitions

### 146.02 Conversion to Real Property

### 146.03 Foundation Requirements

**146.01 DEFINITIONS.** For use in this chapter the following terms are defined:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 435.1)*

1. “Manufactured home” means a factory-built structure built under the authority of 42 U.S.C. Sec. 5403 which was constructed on or after June 15, 1976, and is required by federal law to display a seal from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
2. “Manufactured home community” means any site, lot, field, or tract of land under common ownership upon which ten or more occupied manufactured homes are harbored, either free of charge or for revenue purposes, and includes any building, structure or enclosure used or intended for use as part of the equipment of the manufactured home community.
3. “Mobile home” means any vehicle without motive power used or so manufactured or constructed as to permit its being used as a conveyance upon the public streets and highways and so designed, constructed or reconstructed as will permit the vehicle to be used as a place for human habitation by one or more persons; but also includes any such vehicle with motive power not registered as a motor vehicle in Iowa. A mobile home means any such vehicle built before June 15, 1976, which was not built to a mandatory building code and which contains no State or federal seals.
4. “Mobile home park” means any site, lot, field or tract of land upon which three or more mobile homes or manufactured homes, or a combination of any of these homes, are placed on developed spaces and operated as a for-profit enterprise with water, sewer or septic, and electrical services available.

The term “manufactured home community” or “mobile home park” is not to be construed to include manufactured or mobile homes, buildings, tents, or other structures temporarily maintained by any individual, educational institution, or company on its own premises and used exclusively to house said entity’s own labor or students. The manufactured home community or mobile home park shall meet the requirements of any zoning regulations that are in effect.

**146.02 CONVERSION TO REAL PROPERTY.** A mobile home or manufactured home that is located outside a manufactured home community or mobile home park shall be converted to real estate by being placed on a permanent foundation and shall be assessed for real estate taxes except in the following cases:

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 435.26 & Sec. 435.35)*

1. Retailer’s Stock. Mobile homes or manufactured homes on private property as part of a retailer’s or a manufacturer’s stock not used as a place for human habitation.
2. Existing Homes. A taxable mobile home or manufactured home that is located outside of a manufactured home community or mobile home park as of January 1, 1995,

shall be assessed and taxed as real estate, but is exempt from the permanent foundation requirement of this chapter until the home is relocated.

**146.03 FOUNDATION REQUIREMENTS.** A mobile home or manufactured home located outside of a manufactured home community or mobile home park shall be placed on a permanent frost-free foundation system that meets the support and anchorage requirements as recommended by the manufacturer or required by the *State Building Code*. The foundation system must be visually compatible with permanent foundation systems of surrounding residential structures. Any such home shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of the *State Building Code*.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 103A.10 & 414.28)*

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## CHAPTER 155

# RESTRICTED RESIDENCE DISTRICT

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**155.01 INTERPRETATION.** In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this chapter shall be held to be minimum requirements. Where this chapter imposes a greater restriction than is imposed or required by other provisions of law or by other rules or regulations or ordinances, the provisions of this chapter shall control.

**155.02 DEFINITIONS.** As used herein, the words “used or occupied” also include the words “intended, designed or arranged to be used or occupied.” The following terms and words are also defined for the purposes of this chapter:

1. “Dwelling” or “residence” means any building that contains one or two dwelling units used, intended, or designed to be built, used, rented, leased, let or hired out to be occupied, or that are occupied for residential purposes but not including a tent, cabin, trailer, camper, recreational vehicle or mobile home. (*Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.*)
2. “Dwelling, condominium” means a multiple dwelling as defined in this section whereby the fee title to each dwelling unit is held independently of the others.
3. “Dwelling, multiple” means a residence designed for or occupied by three or more families, with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each.
4. “Dwelling, row” means any one of three or more attached dwellings in a continuous row, each such dwelling designed and erected as a unit on a separate lot and separated from one another by an approved wall or walls.
5. “Dwelling, single-family” means a detached residence designed for or used exclusively and occupied by one family only.
6. “Dwelling, two-family” means a residence designed for or used exclusively and occupied by two families only, with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each.
7. “Dwelling unit” means a room or group of rooms providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation residential purposes. Sanitation purposes are:
  - A. Toilet Facilities. Every dwelling unit shall be provided with a water closet, lavatory, and a bathtub or shower.
  - B. Kitchen. Each dwelling unit shall be provided with a kitchen area and every kitchen area shall be provided with a sink.

C. Sewage Disposal. Plumbing fixtures shall be connected to a sanitary sewer or to an approved private sewage disposal system.

D. Water Supply to Fixtures. Plumbing fixtures shall be connected to an approved water supply. Kitchen sinks, lavatories, bathtubs, showers, bidets, laundry tubs and washing machine outlets shall be provided with hot and cold water.

*(Subsection 7 – Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

8. “Family” means one or more persons occupying a single dwelling unit, provided no such family shall contain over four persons, unless all members are related by blood, marriage, or adoption.

9. “Lot” means, for the purpose of this chapter, a parcel of land of at least sufficient size to meet minimum requirements for use, coverage and area and to provide such yards and other open space as are required in this chapter. The lot shall have frontage on a public street or private street, and may consist of: (i) a single lot of record; (ii) a portion of a lot of record; (iii) a combination of complete lots of record; of complete lots of record and portions of lots of record; or of portions of lots of record; and (iv) a parcel of land described by metes and bounds; provided that in no case of division or combination shall any residual lot or parcel be created which does not meet the requirements of this chapter.

10. “Lot, corner” means a lot abutting upon two or more streets at their intersection.

11. “Lot, depth of” means the horizontal distance between the front and rear lot lines.

12. “Lot, double frontage” means a lot having a frontage on two nonintersecting streets, as distinguished from a corner lot.

13. “Lot, interior” means a lot other than a corner lot.

14. “Lot lines” means the lines bounding a lot.

15. “Lot of record” means a lot which is a part of a subdivision recorded in the office of the County Recorder, or a lot or parcel described by metes and bounds, the description of which has been so recorded.

16. “Lot, reversed frontage” means a corner lot, the side street line of which is substantially a continuation of the front lot line of the first platted lot to its rear.

17. “Lot width” means the width of a lot measured at the building line and at right angles to its depth.

18. “Nonconforming building” means a building or portion thereof that does not conform to the provisions of this chapter relative to height, bulk, area or yard size requirements for the district in which it is located. *(Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

19. “Stable, private” means a building or structure used or intended to be used for housing horses belonging to the owner of the property for noncommercial purposes.

20. “Stable, public” and “riding academy” means a building or structure used or intended to be used for the housing or riding of horses on a fee basis. Riding instruction may be given in connection with a public stable or riding academy.

21. “Variance” means a grant of relief of the literal provisions of the Restricted Residence District, which would cause undue hardship owing to circumstances unique

to the individual property on which the variance is granted. The crucial points of variance are (a) undue hardship, (b) unique circumstances and (c) applying to property.  
(*Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.*)

22. “Yard” means an open space on the same lot with a building or structure unoccupied and unobstructed by any portion of a structure from thirty (30) inches above the general ground level of the graded lot upward. In measuring a yard for the purpose of determining the depth of a front yard or the depth of a rear yard, the least distance between the lot line and the main building shall be used. In measuring a yard for the purpose of determining the width of a side yard, the least distance between the lot line and the nearest permitted building shall be used.

23. “Yard, front” means a yard extending across the full width of the lot and measured between the front lot line and the building.

24. “Yard, rear” means a yard extending across the full width of the lot and measured between the rear lot line and the building or any projections other than steps, unenclosed balconies or unenclosed porches. On both corner lots and interior lots, the rear yard is the opposite end of lot from the front yard.

25. “Yard, side” means a yard extending from the front yard to the rear yard and measured between the side lot lines and the nearest building.

26. “City Engineer” means the professional engineer contracted by the City to furnish engineering assistance for the administration of the regulations within the Code of Frederika.

27. “Home occupation” means any occupation or profession conducted entirely within an enclosed dwelling unit, carried on by one or more persons, all of whom reside within the dwelling unit and where no persons living outside the home are employed. The use is clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the dwelling for residence purposes and does not change the character thereof or adversely affect the uses permitted in the residential district of which it is a part.

28. “Manufacturing home” meaning is defined in Chapter 146.

29. “Mobile home” meaning is defined in Chapter 146.

30. “Recreational vehicle” means a vehicular type of portable structure without permanent foundation, which can be towed, hauled, or driven and primarily designed as temporary living accommodation for recreational, camping and travel use and including but not limited to travel trailers, truck campers, camping trailers and self-propelled motor homes.

31. “Special use” means a use which based on its unique characteristics, cannot be properly classified as a permitted use in a particular district or districts. After due consideration of the impact of such upon neighboring property and zoning requirements specific conditions may be granted and adhered to.

(*Subsections 26-31 – Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.*)

**155.03 DISTRICTS AND BOUNDARIES.** The Official Restricted Residence District Map is on file with the Clerk and is made a part of this chapter. The map delineates various areas of the City into the following classifications:

1. R-1 — Restricted Residence District
2. N-R — Nonresidential District

All restrictions described herein are applicable in the R-1 Restricted Residence District. All district boundary lines shown on the official map correspond with property lines or street lines or centerlines of the right-of-way. In the case of a district boundary line which divides a property of single ownership, the Council may make such boundary line adjustments as to place the lot of single ownership in or out of the restricted residence district.

**155.04 BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED.** No building, structure, cement work or non-agricultural fence shall hereby be erected, reconstructed, expanded, relocated, elevated or structurally altered, nor shall any work be started upon same, until a building permit for same has been reviewed for compliance by the Building Official. In addition, a building permit is required for both permitted and accessory buildings or structures. Said permit must be issued concurrently for both permitted and accessory uses for vacant properties.

*(Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

1. All permit applications shall be in writing, filed with the Building Official and require the following information:
  - A. Applicant name, address and contact information.
  - B. The location of the property.
  - C. Proposed work, including dimensions, building type and building materials to be used.
  - D. The use of the structure.
  - E. Plans. All applications shall be accompanied by a plot diagram drawn in a manner that clearly shows all dimensions of the work being requested and the exact location of all proposed new construction.
  - F. The diagram shall show all lot lines, streets, alleys, distances from exposed sides from the lot line to the foundation plus the size of the building overhang, including gutters. The diagram shall also show the approximate distance to buildings on adjoining lots
2. A building permit fee as established by resolution shall accompany the submittal of a residential building permit to cover the cost of issuing the permit and supervising, regulating, and inspecting the work.
3. All work covered by a permit shall conform with the approved building permit application. The location of all new construction, as shown on the plot diagram or as an approved amendment, shall be strictly adhered to. Nothing shall prohibit the filing of amendments to an application or changes in building plans at any time before the completion of the work for which the permit is granted. Depending on the amendment or change in building plans, the Building Official may require Council approval at the next regular scheduled Council meeting. The applicant may request a special Council meeting provided the applicant pays for the cost of the special meeting prior to the meeting being called.
4. Construction covered by a building permit must be initiated and underway within 12 months from the date of permit issuance. If the construction is not initiated within 12 months, then the permit is void, and no work can be started. The work must be completed by the date stated in the permit, then the permit is void, and further work is prohibited. If no date is specified, then all work must be completed within 12 months of the permit issuance. If any permit becomes void, further review and action by the Building Official will be based upon the facts and information presented. Based on

review, the Building Official may request Council consideration on whether a new building permit and fee be imposed.

5. Building permits can be revoked if any false statement or misrepresentation is made within the application or plans on which the permit was based.

6. Where work requiring a permit is started without obtaining a permit, the City Council will review any construction without a permit to determine the proper course of action up to and including whether legal action taken. As a minimum the fee for the permit is doubled and the payment of a double permit fee does not relieve a person from fully complying with the requirements of the regulations.

7. Where the construction work involves improvements within the 100-year flood plain, the building permit application shall also meet the floodplain development requirements as specified within Chapter 160 Flood Plain Regulations.

8. Work Exempt From Permit. Exemption from permit requirements shall not deemed to grant authorizations for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this Code or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction. Permits shall not be required for the following:

A. One-story detached accessory building used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 120 square feet and no associated cement pad or foundation work is required.

B. Swings and other playground equipment.

C. Fences not over 6 foot high.

D. Retaining walls that are not over 4 feet in height measured from the bottom of the foot to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge.

E. Replacement of storm doors, entrance doors and garage doors provided the size of the opening remains unchanged.

F. Painting, staining, papering, tiling, carpeting, and similar finish work.

G. Re-roofing or re-siding a building.

9. Residential Accessory Building or Structure Permit Requirements. Where not exempt as noted in Section 8 above:

A. The applicant shall provide the location, size, shape, color and types of exterior material information of the accessory building and that of the principal residential building.

B. The accessory building design, siding and roof material shall be consistent with the principal building and the neighborhood character.

C. All accessory building or structure shall conform to lot and yard requirements specified within Section 155.05.

D. Accessory buildings over a total of 800 square feet shall be reviewed and approved by the Council. The building permit will not be approved unless all property owners within 500 feet have been notified by the City Clerk or Building Official a minimum of 48 hours prior to the Council meeting

E. The property owner is responsible to ensure the accessory building is in conformance with any restrictive covenants and not in conflict with any easements.

10. Flammable Material Storage Tank Requirements. As a minimum, the flammable storage tank and all associated piping, vent and fill pipes, vent alarm and whistle, fuel filter and shut-off valves used to store flammable petroleum products shall comply with Iowa Code 661.221. No underground storage tanks are permitted within a residential zoned district. Only gasoline or diesel above ground storage tanks may be acceptable in a residential district on condition a building permit application is reviewed and approved by the Council prior to the installation of the storage tank. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary found in Iowa Code 661.221 as reference herein or found within the Code of Frederika, aboveground flammable material storage tanks shall adhere to the following requirements:

A. The flammable storage tank shall not be larger than 100 gallons and shall be located on a stable foundation made of concrete, be at least 4 inches in depth, and be sized to have a footprint that exceeds the length and width dimensions of the tank by a factor of 10 percent to prevent the tank from tipping over. Use of reinforced concrete is highly recommended.

B. Every flammable storage tank shall be provided with means to prevent an accidental release of liquid from endangering important facilities and adjoining property from reaching waterways either by being double walled or by method of foundation construction. The flammable storage tank shall be anchored to the concrete pad and any vents or other openings must be 1 foot above the 100-year flood plain level. (See Chapter 160 Flood Plain Regulations for more requirements.)

C. Any supports for the flammable storage tank shall be the same material and shall consist of concrete, masonry, and/or fire resistance steel.

D. The flammable storage tank shall meet the same yard requirements of any accessory structure except the flammable storage tank must be 5 feet from the property line or public easement and 5 feet minimum away from the nearest important building (residence or garage).

E. The following are the responsibilities of the property owner having a flammable storage tank:

(1) Securing the contents of the flammable storage to prevent tampering.

(2) Clearly identifying that the contents as flammable on the outside of the tank to aid in fire protection.

(3) Ensuring the flammable storage tank is in conformance with any restrictive covenants and not in conflict with any easement.

(4) Maintains appropriate insurance coverage pertaining to having a flammable storage tank on the property.

11. Private Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Permit Requirements. Where public sewer or potable water from Iowa Regional Utilities Association (IRUA) is not readily available to serve the property, private water supply and/or private sewage disposal systems may be allowed. When a private water supply or private sewage disposal system is to be utilized, copies of the approved permits from the Bremer County Health Department shall be provided to the City prior to the final approval and issuance of the building permit. *(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

12. Action on Building Application. Within a reasonable time, the Building Official shall determine as to whether the proposed building permit application meets the applicable standards established by this municipal code.

A. If the valuation for the building permit application is five thousand dollars (\$5000) or less, the Building Official may approve the application and issue the building permit to the applicant or disapprove and inform the applicant of the specific reasons therefor. The Building Official shall not issue permits for variances except as directed by the Council.

B. If the valuation for the building permit is more than five thousand dollars (\$5000), the Building Official shall provide the building permit application and his recommendation to the Council prior for review and approval a minimum of 48 hours prior to the next regular scheduled Council meeting. The City Council shall provide final approval or disapproval of the building permit application or provide for a variance to the building permit application. A special Council meeting may be requested by the applicant provided the expenses of the meeting are paid up-front by the applicant. The special Council meeting will require attendance by the majority of Council members to be present.

*(Subsections 7-10 and 12 – Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**155.05 R-1 RESTRICTED RESIDENCE DISTRICT REGULATIONS.** The following regulations shall apply in all areas designated as an R-1 Restricted Residence District:

1. Permitted Uses. Principal permitted uses in the R-1 Restricted Residence District are as follows:

A. One- and two-family dwellings.

B. Churches, cathedrals, temples and similar places of worship.

C. Public and parochial schools, elementary and secondary and other educational institutions.

D. Fire stations.

E. Publicly owned parks, playgrounds, golf courses and recreation areas.

F. Agricultural uses, including nurseries and truck gardens, provided that no dust or offensive odors are created, and provided further that no retail sales are permitted on the premises. This shall not be construed to include the operation of livestock feed lots or auctions, public stables, boarding kennels or veterinary clinics or such similar uses. Private stables shall be permitted where there exists an area devoted to such purposes of one acre with an additional one-half acre per animal exceeding two animals or tethering area shall be closer than 50 feet from abutting residential properties. The area devoted to such uses shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

G. Conversions of one-family dwellings in accordance with the lot area, frontage, height and yard requirements of this chapter.

H. Mobile home parks or trailer parks may be established provided that approval is granted by the Council after a public hearing has been held pursuant to the establishment of such use.

- I. Multiple dwellings, including row dwellings consisting of not more than six units in a continuous row, cooperative apartment houses and condominium dwellings.
  - J. Boarding and rooming houses.
  - K. Institutions of a religious, educational or philanthropic nature, including libraries.
  - L. Nursing, convalescent and retirement homes.
  - M. Private clubs, lodges or veterans organizations.
  - N. Funeral homes.
  - O. Special Use. Uses other than those specifically permitted in this section may be erected, reconstructed, altered, or placed provided the Council has approved, after a public hearing and approval of the use with/without conditions. *(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*
2. Permitted Accessory Uses. Permitted accessory uses in the R-1 Restricted Residence District are as follows:
- A. Customary home occupation as a secondary use carried on entirely within the residence not including any garage or other building or structure not designed and used for daily human habitation and where there is no evidence of the occupation being conducted on the premises by virtue of signs or displays, or excessive noise, odors, electrical disturbances or traffic generation, except one sign not larger than two square feet in area, with no more than one nonresident assistant and where not more than one-half of the floor area of any one floor is devoted to the use.
  - B. A residential accessory building or structure customarily used in conjunction with a dwelling, namely a garage with a capacity of not more than three cars, a tool or “summer” house not exceeding 100 square feet floor area, or a private swimming pool properly fenced and screened. Any other building on residential property shall not be deemed a residential accessory use if not incidental to a residential purpose, or if it is used in conjunction with or for the business of selling goods or rendering services.
3. Lot and Building Regulations. The following shall be minimum requirements in the R-1 Restricted Residence District:
- A. Lot Area.
    - (1) One-family dwelling, 8,712 square feet.
    - (2) Two-family dwelling, 8,712 square feet.
    - (3) Row housing and multiple dwellings, 2,500 square feet each for the first four units, plus 850 square feet per additional unit.
    - (4) Other permitted uses, 10,000 square feet.
  - B. Lot Width.
    - (1) One-family dwelling, 66 feet.
    - (2) Two-family dwelling, 66 feet.
    - (3) Row housing, 25 feet per unit.

- (4) Multiple-family dwelling and other permitted uses, 75 feet.
- C. Front Yard. 25 feet, any lot which abuts on two or more streets shall have a 15-foot side yard between each lot line abutting on the side street and any building. On lots of record, the average setback of adjacent dwellings may be used.
- D. Side Yard.
- (1) Principal building, 1 and 1½ stories, minimum one side, 7 feet.
  - (2) Principal building, 2 and 2½ stories, minimum one side, 8 feet.
  - (3) Principal building, 3 stories or more, up to 45 feet, minimum one side, 10 feet.
  - (4) Principal building, structure above 45 feet — See Maximum Height Regulations.
  - (5) Detached accessory building or structure, 5 feet.  
(*Subsection D – Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.*)
- E. Rear Yard.
- (1) Principal building, 15 feet.
  - (2) Detached accessory building or structure, 5 feet.  
(*Subsection E – Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.*)
- F. Maximum Height.
- (1) Principal building, 45 feet, except that for each one foot that the building or a portion of it sets back beyond the required front, side and rear yards, one foot may be added to the height limit of the building or portion thereof; provided, however, no building shall exceed a height of 75 feet.
  - (2) Accessory building, 20 feet.
- G. Maximum Number of Stories.
- (1) Principal building, 4 stories;
  - (2) Accessory building, 1½ stories.
- H. Detached accessory buildings or structures shall be located no closer to any other accessory or principal building than three (3) feet and shall be limited to twenty (20) feet in height. (*Subsection H – Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.*)
4. Nonconforming Buildings and Structures. Where a lawful building or structure exists at the effective date of adoption or amendment of the Restricted Residence District that could not be built under the terms of this chapter by reason of restrictions on area, lot coverage, height, yards, or other characteristics of the structure or its location on the lot, such structure may be so continued so long as it remains otherwise lawful, subject to the following provisions:
- A. No such building or structure may be enlarged or altered in a way, which increases its nonconformity.
  - B. Should such building or structure be destroyed by any means to an extent of more than 65 percent of its replacement cost at the time of destruction,

it shall not be reconstructed except in conformity with the provisions of this chapter. The determination of the replacement cost must be determined by a licensed property appraiser.

*(Subsection 4 – Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**155.06 BUILDINGS REQUIRING SPECIAL PERMITS.** Construction of clinics, offices, hospitals, utility buildings and substations, any type of commercial stores and warehouses, plant nurseries, farm building, industrial buildings or structures, and any other building or structure where the use is not defined as permitted principal or accessory use for the property located within a district boundary will require a special permit. A building or structure shall be authorized by special permit to locate within a Restricted Residential District only if it appears that said use and type of building or structure will be compatible with the character of the surrounding property, and that the particular use could not practicably be incorporated into the Restricted Residential District requirements and district boundaries could not be amended logically, due to topography, access to railroad or highway or other proper reason acceptable to Council.

*(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**155.07 SPECIAL PERMITS.** It is encouraged that the applicant requesting a special permit to contact and discuss the proposed development with City representatives as early as possible for early review and comment. A special permit shall be required for the erection or expansion of any building or structure and for its occupancy and any use within the Restricted Residence District of the City except for permitted principal and accessory buildings or structures. A special permit may also be required for various conditional uses identified within the Code of Frederika. The special permit application shall consist of a building permit application and/or, as needed, a site plan, drawings, and specifications detailing the application sufficient to determine compliance with applicable ordinances of the City. The applicant shall provide ten (10) copies of the site plan, drawing, and specification for distribution. Before an application for a special permit is filed, the applicant shall pay the building permit application fee to the City of Frederika. A special permit fee shall be established per special permit application by Council to cover appropriate costs associated with publication, recording fees, and any established construction permit fees associated to the special permit. The special permit fee shall be incorporated in the special permit resolution used by the Council to approve the special permit.

*(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**155.08 PROTEST.** No special permit shall be granted when 60 percent of the resident real estate owners in the district within 500 feet of the proposed building and occupancy object thereto, except by unanimous vote of all the members of the Council.

*(Ord. 201903-2 – Jun. 20 Supp.)*

**155.09 SPECIAL PERMIT APPROVAL PROCESS.** Upon receipt in proper form of the application, the Building Official and Mayor shall schedule a public hearing to occur at a regular scheduled Council meeting complying with the public notice notification requirements. The City Council shall hold a least one (1) public hearing on the proposed special permit. Notice of time and place of such hearing shall be published not less than four (4) days nor more than twenty (20) days in advance of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation. Prior to posting, the proposed public hearing schedule will be communicated to the applicant of the special permit. The applicant of the special permit may request a special Council meeting, separate from a regular Council meeting, provided the public notification requirements are adhered to and the requestor pays for the cost of the special meeting prior to the hearing being called. Property owners within five hundred (500) feet of the proposed building or structure for which the special permit is being requested shall be notified by mail as a courtesy. The property

owners and other residents may provide written or oral objections during the public hearing. After the public hearing, the Council shall consider the special permit for, but not limited to, conformance with other ordinances of the City; current or future demands upon public health, safety, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare of the community and surrounding townships; and impacts on street, sewer, storm water drainage, fire and police protection and any other utilities or services. The Council may request additional information or research results that is not readily available at the time of public hearing. A resolution shall document understandings, agreed conditions related to the special permit, and the special permit fee determined per special permit application. The Council shall approve the special permit through a resolution by majority vote except when Section 155.08 exists. The applicant shall pay the special permit fee prior to special permit being issued. *(Ord. 2021-1 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*

**155.10 PARKING.** All residential uses and mobile homes shall provide a minimum of two off-street parking spaces per dwelling unit.

**155.11 AMENDMENT.** From time to time the Council may wish to amend, change or alter provisions of this chapter and the official map which is a part of this chapter. Such amendments, changes or alterations are allowed, provided that prior to the amendment a public hearing is held at which time all parties involved in such an amendment, including those in adjacent properties may be heard. Notice of the public hearing pertaining to amendments, changes or alterations of this chapter shall be made in accordance with adopted procedure for such hearings. Upon approval by a majority of the members of the Council, the amendments, changes or alterations shall become effective.

**155.12 NUISANCE.** Any building or structure erected, altered, repaired or used in violation of this chapter shall be deemed a nuisance, and the Council may provide for the abatement of the nuisance. Each day that the nuisance is continued after a notice of abatement is served upon the owner of the nuisance shall constitute a separate violation.

**155.13 BUILDING OFFICIAL.** The Council shall appoint by majority vote a Building Official to serve at the discretion of the Council. The Building Official shall receive such compensation as established by resolution of the Council. The Building Official shall exercise the following powers and duties:

1. Reviews residential building permits and inspects building sites for conformance with the provisions of this chapter and others as deemed by the Council.
2. Reviews special permits and provides suggestions and recommendations to the Council.
3. Research and provide reports to the Council on proposed amendments to this chapter.
4. Administer the Flood Plain Regulations contained in Chapter 160.
5. Inspect street excavations or sanitary sewer installations, upon request.

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## CHAPTER 157

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**157.01 PURPOSE.** The purpose of this chapter is to balance the need for clean, renewable energy resources and the necessity to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the community. The City finds these regulations are necessary to ensure that solar energy systems are appropriately designed, sited, and installed.

**157.02 FINDINGS.** City of Frederika finds that solar energy is a renewable, and non-polluting energy source and that its conversion to electricity will reduce our dependence on nonrenewable energy resources and decrease the air and water pollution that results from the use of conventional energy sources.

**157.03 APPLICABILITY.** These provisions shall be applicable to all privately owned Solar Energy Systems located within the City limits of Frederika, IA. Where this chapter imposes a greater restriction than are imposed or required by other provisions of law or by rules, regulations, or ordinances, then provisions of this chapter shall control.

### **157.04 DEFINITIONS.**

1. “Applicable building code” means consistent and in compliance with either the State of Iowa Building Code, Iowa Energy Code, Iowa State Electrical Code, and Iowa State Plumbing Code as amended from time to time.
2. “Collector panel” means an equipment assembly used for gathering, concentrating, or absorbing solar energy as useful thermal energy or to generate electric energy.
3. “Height, total building mounted system” means the height above the roof surface measured perpendicular to the roof specific to the installation on a sloped roof or the height above the roof surface specific to the installation on a flat roof.
4. “Height, total ground mounted system” means the height above grade of the system from the highest point, including the supporting structure, related equipment, and the collector panels. Adjustable angle systems will be measured from the highest point when the system is at its maximum vertical extension.
5. “Ground mounted system” means a solar energy system mounted on a rack or pole that rests or is attached to the ground. Ground-mounted systems are accessory to the principal use.
6. “Mounted building system” means a solar energy system typically attached to the roof of an accessory or primary structure but may be mounted to other portions of building structure if meeting set back requirements.

7. “Off grid” means a solar energy system that is not connected to a utility distribution grid.
8. “Passive solar energy system” means a system that captures solar light or heat without transforming it to another form of energy or transferring the energy via heat exchanger.
9. “Roof mounted system” means a solar energy system mounted on a rack that is fastened to or ballasted on a structure roof. Roof-mount systems are accessory to the principal use.
10. “Solar access” means unobstructed access to direct sunlight on a parcel or building through the entire year, including access across adjacent parcel air rights, for the purpose of capturing direct sunlight to operate a solar energy system.
11. “Solar carport” means a solar energy system of any size that is installed on a carport structure that is accessory to a parking area, and which may include electric vehicle supply equipment or energy storage facilities.
12. “Solar energy” means radiant energy received from the sun at wavelengths suitable for heat transfer, photosynthetic use, or photovoltaic use.
13. “Solar energy system” (SES) means an aggregation of parts including the base, supporting structure, photovoltaic or solar thermal panels, inverters, and accessory equipment such as utility interconnect and battery banks, etc., in such configuration as necessary to convert radiant energy from the sun into mechanical or electrical energy.
14. “Solar mounting devices” means racking, frames, or other devices that allow the mounting of a solar collector onto a roof surface or the ground.
15. “Utility scale solar energy system” means a solar energy system which supplies electrical power or thermal energy solely for use by off-site consumers. Utility scale solar energy systems are not permitted on R-1 zoned property and must have a minimum lot size of ten acres.
16. “Qualified professional” means an individual certified by the manufacturer of a SES as qualified to install that manufacturer’s SES.

**157.05 PERMITTED USE.** All solar energy systems shall be a permitted accessory use in all zoning districts where structures of any sort are allowed. Any such solar energy system shall be subject to all provisions of these regulations, including setback requirements.

**157.06 BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.** It is unlawful to construct, erect, install, altered, or locate any solar energy system within the City of Frederika unless obtaining an approved permit to do so. Failure to acquire a permit will result in the potential of a penalty consisting of doubling the permit fee as determined by the Council. All SES, except for passive SES, require approval through a special permit, by the City Council in accordance with the provisions of the special permit process defined within Chapter 155 of this Code. Passive SES need only an approved building permit provided all other requirements are met. All permit requirements for an SES system shall include the following:

1. Solar Access Assessment. All property owners are recommended to have a shade report or equivalent documentation from a licensed solar installer prior to construction of solar energy systems demonstrating adequate solar access prior to submitting a building permit.

2. Compliance to Building Regulations. Building permit applications for a ground-mounted SES shall be accompanied by standard drawings of the solar energy system structure, including the panels, base, and footings. For systems to be mounted on existing buildings, an engineering analysis showing sufficient structural capacity of the receiving structure to support the SES per the applicable building code regulations, certified by an Iowa licensed professional engineer is highly recommended.
3. Utility Notification. No solar energy system, except off grid or passive systems, shall be installed until evidence has been given that the electric utility provider has been informed of the customer's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator and the customer can show proof that they have received, understand, and agree to abide by the utility's requirements for net metering and distributed generation installation. A disconnect will be required at the time of installation and the electric utility provider shall be notified of this installation. A written statement from the utility company is recommended to be presented at the time of applying for a building permit showing compliance with the disconnect requirement.
4. Compliance With Other Government Regulations. The owner/operator of the SES must comply with federal and State agencies/departments rules and regulations prior to erecting the system and are responsible for obtaining any necessary permits.

#### **157.07 GENERAL SOLAR SYSTEM REGULATIONS.**

1. Installation. Installation must be done by qualified professional and according to manufacturer's recommendations. All work must be completed according to the applicable building, fire, and electric codes. All electrical components must meet code recognized test standards.
2. Height. Roof-mounted solar energy systems in residential applications shall not be higher than twelve (12) inches above the roof at any point. Ground-mounted solar energy systems in residential applications shall not exceed fifteen (15) feet in height from grade at total extended height.
3. Location. The locations of ground mounted systems should avoid being in eyesight from the street. Roof-mounted systems must be placed on rear or side-facing roofs, which do not front any public street, unless a shade report or equivalent documentation from a licensed solar installer can be shown that such locations would be ineffective or impractical. Should the solar energy system be mounted on an existing structure that does not conform to current setback requirements, the solar energy system shall be installed to meet the current setback requirements applicable to the receiving structure.
4. Setbacks. Ground-mounted solar energy systems shall meet all set back requirements for the applicable zoning district for accessory structures. Roof-mounted systems shall not extend beyond the exterior perimeter of the building on which the system is mounted. The setback from underground electric distribution lines shall be at least five feet. No SES shall be constructed within twenty (20) feet laterally of an overhead electrical power line (excluding secondary electrical service lines or service drops).
5. Easements. Solar energy systems shall not encroach on any platted drainage, utility, or other established public easement or on or over property lines.
6. Screening. Solar energy systems shall be screened from street view to the extent possible without reducing their efficiency. The applicant shall submit a

landscaping plan with building permit application for ground-mounted solar energy systems.

7. Aesthetics. All solar energy systems shall use colors that blend with the surrounding settings. Reflection angles from collector surfaces shall be oriented away from neighboring windows.

8. Reflectors. All solar energy systems using a reflector to enhance solar production shall minimize glare from the reflector affecting adjacent or nearby properties. Measures to minimize nuisance glare may be required including modifying the surface material, placement, or orientation of the system, and if necessary, adding screening to block glare.

9. Lighting. No lighting other than required safety lights or indicators shall be installed on the SES.

10. Signage. No advertising or signage other than required safety signage and equipment labels shall be permitted on the SES.

11. Maximum Area of Unit. Ground-mounted solar energy systems shall be treated as an accessory structure and thus are limited in area to the accessory structure limitations as set by the City Code. The total size of all solar energy systems may not produce any amount of energy, addition to other alternative energy systems beyond the average annual consumption.

12. Solar carports and associated electric vehicle charging equipment are a permitted accessory use on surface parking lots in all districts regardless of the existence of another building.

13. Displacement of Parking Prohibited. The location of the SES shall not result in the net loss of required parking as specified in Chapter 69 of this Code of Ordinances.

**157.08 SOLAR ACCESS EASEMENT.** The enactment of this section does not constitute the granting of an easement by the City. The owner/operator may need to acquire covenants, easements, or similar documentation to assure sufficient solar exposure to operate the SES unless adequate accessibility to the sun is provided by the site. Such covenants, easements, or similar documentation is the sole responsibility of the owner/operator. Should the owner/operator pursue a solar access easement, the extent of the solar access should be defined, and the easement document executed in compliance with the regulations contained in Chapter 564A.7 (access to solar energy) of the *Code of Iowa*.

**157.09 RELEASE OF LIABILITY.** The owner of a solar energy system shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Frederika and their officials from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, suits, causes of action, damages, injuries, costs, expenses, and liabilities whatsoever including attorney fees arising out of the actions or omissions of the operator or the operator's contractors concerning the construction or operation of the solar energy facility without limitation, whether said liability is premised on contract or tort. Owner's submittal for a building permit for a solar energy system shall constitute agreement to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Frederika and their officials.

**157.10 MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS.** All solar energy facilities shall be always maintained in operational condition, subject to reasonable maintenance and repair outages. Operational condition includes meeting all the requirements in this section and permit conditions for a continuous 6-month period.

1. Notice of Abandonment. The City may issue a notice of abandonment to the owner of a solar energy system that is deemed not meeting the requirements or conditions associated with the solar energy system for a continuous 6-month period. The owner shall have the right to respond to the notice within 30 days from receipt date. The City shall withdraw the notice and notify the owner that the notice has been withdrawn should the owner provide satisfactory information that demonstrates the solar energy system has not been abandoned.
2. Removal. If the solar energy system is determined to be abandoned, the owner, at their sole expense, shall restore site to original condition and vegetation restored within 120 days. This determination shall include the requirements or conditions associated with the solar energy system not being met for a continuous 6-month period. Should the owner/operator fail to remove the system, the SES will be considered a public nuisance and will be abated in accordance with Chapter 50 of this Code of Ordinances.

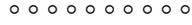
**157.11 ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE.** Any SESs shall be designed and constructed so as not to cause radio and television interference. If it is determined that the SES is causing electromagnetic interference, the operator shall take the necessary corrective action to eliminate this interference including relocation or removal of the facilities, subject to the approval of the appropriate City authority. A permit granting an SES may be revoked if electromagnetic interference from the SES becomes evident.

**157.12 NONCONFORMING SYSTEMS.** An SES that has been installed on or before the effective date of this chapter and is in active use and does not comply with any or all the provisions of this section shall be considered a legal nonconforming structure and will be regulated by the nonconforming provisions specified within Chapter 155 of the Code of Frederika.

**157.13 UNSAFE CONDITION.** Nothing in this chapter shall be deemed to prevent the strengthening or restoring to a safe condition any SES or associated building or structure, or part thereof declared to be unsafe by the appropriate authority.

**157.14 PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.** Violations of the provisions of this ordinance or failure to comply with any of the requirements shall constitute a municipal infraction.

*(Chapter 157 – Ord. 2021-2 – Mar. 22 Supp.)*



## CHAPTER 158

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**158.01 PURPOSE.** In order to balance the need for clean, renewable energy resources and the necessity to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community, City of Frederika, Iowa, finds these regulations are necessary to ensure that wind energy conversion systems are appropriately designed and safely sited and installed.

**158.02 FINDINGS.** City of Frederika finds that wind energy is a renewable, and non-polluting energy source and that its conversion to electricity will reduce our dependence on nonrenewable energy resources and decrease the air and water pollution that results from the use of conventional energy sources.

**158.03 APPLICABILITY.** These provisions shall be applicable to all privately owned small wind energy systems located in the City limits Frederika, IA. Where this chapter imposes a greater restriction than is imposed or required by other provisions of law or by rules, regulations, or ordinances, the provisions of this chapter shall control.

### **158.04 DEFINITIONS.**

1. Applicable building code: means consistent and in compliance with either the State of Iowa Building Code, Iowa Energy Code, Iowa State Electrical Code, and Iowa State Plumbing Code as amended from time to time.
2. Fall zone: the area, defined as the furthest distance from the tower base, in which a tower will collapse in the event of a structural failure. This area is equal to the total height of the structure.
3. Horizontal-axis wind turbine (HAWT): a wind turbine with a rotor axis that lies in or close to a horizontal plane. Often called a “propeller-style” wind turbine.
4. Small wind energy system (SWES): a wind energy conversion system consisting of a wind turbine, tower, and associated control or conversion electronics. A system is considered a small wind energy system only if it supplies electrical power solely for onsite use, except that when a parcel on which the system is installed also receives electrical power supplied by a utility company, excess electrical power generated and not presently needed for onsite use may be used by the utility company (i.e., net 295 metering). These systems are considered small wind energy systems for the purpose of these regulations regardless of whether the system is used for agricultural, residential, or commercial uses.
5. Tower: the vertical component of a wind energy conversion system that elevates the wind turbine generator, meteorological equipment, and attached rotor blades above the ground.

6. Noise: generally defined as unwanted sound. Sound power is measured in decibels, dB. Building and planning authorities often regulate sound power levels from facilities.
7. Off-grid is a small wind energy system that is not connected to a utility distribution grid.
8. Property line: the boundary line of the area over which the entity applying for a small wind energy system permit has legal control for the purposes of installation of a wind tower. This control may be attained through fee title ownership, easement, or other appropriate contractual relationship between the project developer and landowner.
9. Qualified professional is an individual certified by the manufacturer of a SWES as qualified to install that manufacturer's SWES.
10. Sound: pressure waves occurring at a frequency in the audible range of human hearing that are registered as sensory input by the ear.
11. Total height of tower: the height from ground level to a rotor blade at its highest point. Building mounted SWES the total height of tower includes the height of the building where the tower is mounted.
12. Vertical-axis wind turbine (VAWT): a wind turbine whose rotor spins about a vertical or near-vertical axis.
13. Wind: the movement of an air mass.
14. Wind Turbine: a mechanical device on either horizontal axis or vertical axis that converts kinetic energy in the wind into electrical energy.

**158.05 PERMITTED USE.** Small wind energy systems shall be a permitted accessory use in all zoning districts where structures of any sort are allowed. Any such small wind energy system shall be subject to all provisions of these regulations, including setback requirements.

**158.06 BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.** It is unlawful to construct, erect, install, alter, or locate any small wind energy system within the City of Frederika, unless approved permit. Failing to acquire a permit, the applicant may be subject to a penalty consisting of doubling of the permit fee as determined by Council. All SWES require approval of building permit by the City Council in accordance with the provisions of the special permit process defined within Chapter 155 of the Code of Frederika. Additional building permit requirements:

1. Wind Power Feasibility Study. It is highly recommended that all property owners have a wind power feasibility study performed prior to submitting a building permit. The feasibility study should include measuring actual wind speeds at the proposed turbine site for at least three months. The wind power measurement equipment used should be set at the height sufficient to avoid turbulence created by trees, buildings, and other obstructions in the area where the SWES will be located.
2. Utility Notification. With the exception of off-grid systems, no SWES shall be installed until evidence has been given that the electric utility provider has been informed of the customer's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator and the customer can show proof that they have received, understand, and agree to abide by the utility's requirements for net metering and distributed generation installation. A disconnect will be required at the time of installation and the electric utility provider shall be notified of this installation. A written statement from the utility

company is recommended to be presented at the time of applying for a building permit showing compliance with the disconnect requirement.

3. Compliance to Building Regulations. Building permit applications for a SWES shall be accompanied by standard drawings of the small wind energy system structure, including the blades, tower, anchor points, and footings. For systems to be mounted on existing buildings, an engineering analysis showing sufficient structural capacity of the receiving structure to support the SWES per the applicable building code regulations, certified by an Iowa licensed professional engineer is highly recommended.

4. Compliance With Other Government Regulations. The owner/operator of the SWES must comply with other federal and State agencies/departments rules and regulations prior to erecting the system and are responsible for obtaining any necessary permits.

5. Ice Shedding. The SWES owner shall ensure that ice from the wind turbine blades does not impact any off-site property including road right of way. Compliance with this requirement shall be indicated on the plans and specifications submitted with the permit application.

#### **158.07 GENERAL SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEM REGULATIONS.**

1. Parcel Size. Small wind energy systems shall not be allowed on parcels less than one (1) acre in size.

2. Clearance of Blade. No portion of the SWES blade sweep shall extend within twenty-five (25) feet of the ground, twenty (20) feet of an overhead power lines, and five (5) feet from secondary service lines, service drops, underground electrical distribution equipment or lines. No blade sweep may extend over easements, parking areas, driveways, or sidewalks.

3. Setback Requirements. The total height of tower of all SWES shall not exceed forty-five (45) feet. A non-building mounted SWES shall not be closer from any property line than the total height of tower. Guy wire anchor points may extend to within ten (10) feet of property lines in the side or rear yards. A building mounted SWES shall not be closer from any property line than the total height of tower excluding the height of the building where the tower is mounted.

4. Automatic Over Speed Controls. All SWES shall be equipped with automatic over speed controls to limit the blade rotation speed to within the design limits of the small wind energy system. Turbine/blade systems shall be rated to wind speeds of no less than 90 MPH, measured at sea level.

5. Sound. Small wind energy systems shall not exceed sixty (60) dBA, as measured at the property line. The sound level, however, may be exceeded during short-term events such as utility outages and/or severe windstorms.

6. Color. SWES shall be neutral in color such as white, sky blue or light gray. Other colors may be allowed at the discretion of the City. The surface shall be non-reflective.

7. Lighting. No light shall be installed unless required to meet FAA regulations. Red strobe lights are preferred for night-time illumination to reduce impacts on migrating birds. Red pulsating incandescent lights should be avoided.

8. Signage. No advertising of any kind shall be permitted on towers or any associated structures. One sign, limited to 4 square feet, shall be posted at the base of

the tower. The sign shall include a notice of no trespassing, a warning of high voltage, and the phone number of the owner/operator to call in case of emergency.

9. Installation. Installation must be done by qualified professional and according to manufacturer's recommendations. All work must be completed according to the applicable building, fire, and electric codes. All electrical components must meet code recognized test standards. Building mounted systems are to comply with applicable building code and the requirements specified in the engineering structural analysis.

**158.08 RELEASE OF LIABILITY.** The owner of a small wind energy system shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Frederika and their officials from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, suits, causes of action, damages, injuries, costs, expenses, and liabilities whatsoever including attorney fees arising out of the actions or omissions of the operator or the operator's contractors concerning the construction or operation of the small wind energy facility without limitation, whether said liability is premised on contract or tort. Owner's submittal for a building permit for a small wind energy system shall constitute agreement to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Frederika and their officials.

**158.09 MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS.** All small wind energy facilities shall be always maintained in operational condition, subject to reasonable maintenance and repair outages. Operational condition includes meeting all the requirements in this section and permit conditions for a continuous 6-month period.

1. Notice of Abandonment. The City may issue a notice of abandonment to the owner of a wind energy system that is deemed not meeting the requirements or conditions associated with the small wind energy system for a continuous 6-month period. The owner shall have the right to respond to the notice within 30 days from receipt date. The City shall withdraw the notice and notify the owner that the notice has been withdrawn should the owner provide satisfactory information that demonstrates the small wind energy system has not been abandoned.

2. Removal. If the wind energy system is determined to be abandoned, the owner, at their sole expense, shall restore site to original condition and vegetation restored within 120 days. This determination shall include the requirements or conditions associated with the wind energy system not being met for a continuous 6-month period. Should the owner/operator fail to remove the system, the SWES will be considered a public nuisance and will be abated in accordance with Chapter 50 of this Code of Ordinances.

**159.10 ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE.** Any SWES shall be designed and constructed so as not to cause radio and television interference. If it is determined that the SWES is causing electromagnetic interference, the operator shall take the necessary corrective action to eliminate this interference including relocation or removal of the facilities, subject to the approval of the appropriate City authority. A permit granting an SWES may be revoked if electromagnetic interference from the SWES becomes evident.

**159.11 WIND ACCESS EASEMENTS.** The enactment of the chapter does not constitute the granting of an easement by the City. The SWES owner/operator shall have the sole responsibility to acquire any covenants, easements, or similar documentation to assure and/or protect access to sufficient wind as may or may not be necessary to operate the SWES.

**159.12 NONCONFORMING SYSTEMS.** An SWES that has been installed on or before the effective date of this chapter and is in active use and does not comply with any or all the

provisions of this section shall be considered a legal nonconforming structure and will be regulated by the nonconforming provisions specified within Chapter 155 of the Code of Frederika.

**159.13 UNSAFE CONDITION.** Nothing in this chapter shall be deemed to prevent the strengthening or restoring to a safe condition any SWES or associated building or structure, or part thereof declared to be unsafe by the appropriate authority.

**159.14 PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.** Violations of the provisions of this ordinance or failure to comply with any of the requirements shall constitute a municipal infraction.

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## CHAPTER 160

# FLOOD PLAIN REGULATIONS

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### 160.01 STATUTORY AUTHORITY, FINDINGS OF FACT, AND PURPOSE.

1. Statutory Authority. The Legislature of the State of Iowa has in Chapter 364, *Code of Iowa*, as amended, delegated the power to cities to exercise any power and perform any function that said cities deem appropriate to protect and preserve the rights, privileges, and property of the City or of its residents, and to preserve and improve the peace, safety, health, welfare, comfort, and convenience of its residents.
2. Findings of Fact.
  - A. The flood hazard areas of the City are subject to periodic inundation which can result in loss of life and property, health and safety hazards, disruption of commerce and governmental services, extraordinary public expenditures for flood protection and relief, and impairment of the tax base all of which adversely affect the public health, safety and general welfare of the community.
  - B. These flood losses, hazards, and related adverse effects are caused by: (i) the occupancy of flood hazard areas by uses vulnerable to flood damages which create hazardous conditions as a result of being inadequately elevated or otherwise protected from flooding; and (ii) the cumulative effect of obstructions on the floodplain causing increases in flood heights and velocities.
  - C. This chapter relies upon engineering methodology for analyzing flood hazards which is consistent with the standards established by the Department of Natural Resources.
3. Statement of Purpose. It is the purpose of this chapter to protect and preserve the rights, privileges, and property of the City and its residents and to preserve and improve the peace, safety, health, welfare, and comfort and convenience of its residents by minimizing flood losses described in Paragraph 2(A) of this section with provisions designed to:
  - A. Reserve sufficient floodplain area for the conveyance of flood flows so that flood heights and velocities will not be increased substantially.

- B. Restrict or prohibit uses that are dangerous to health, safety, or property in times of flood or which cause excessive increases in flood heights or velocities.
- C. Require that uses vulnerable to floods, including public facilities that serve such uses, be protected against flood damage at the time of initial construction or substantial improvement.
- D. Protect individuals from buying lands that may not be suited for intended purposes because of flood hazard.
- E. Assure that eligibility is maintained for property owners in the community to purchase flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program.

**160.02 DEFINITIONS.** Unless specifically defined below, words or phrases used in this chapter shall be interpreted to give them the meaning they have in common usage and to give this chapter its most reasonable application.

1. "Appurtenant structure" means a structure that is on the same parcel of the property as the principal structure to be insured and the use of which is incidental to the use of the principal structure.
2. "Base flood" means the flood having a one percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year. (Also commonly referred to as the "100-year flood.")
3. "Base flood elevation" means the elevation flood waters would reach at a particular site during the occurrence of a base flood event.
4. "Basement" means any enclosed area of a building which has its floor or lowest level below ground level (subgrade) on all sides. (Also see "lowest floor.")
5. "Development" means any manmade change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation, drilling operations, or storage of equipment or materials. Development does not include minor projects or routine maintenance of existing buildings and facilities, as those terms are defined in this section. It also does not include gardening, plowing, and similar practices that do not involve filling, or grading.
6. "Enclosed area below lowest floor" means the floor of the lowest enclosed area in a building when all the following criteria are met:
  - A. The enclosed area is designed to flood to equalize hydrostatic pressure during flood events with walls or openings that satisfy the provisions of 160.09(4)(A) of this chapter; and
  - A. The enclosed area is unfinished (not carpeted, drywalled, etc.) and used solely for low damage potential uses such as building access, parking, or storage; and
  - B. Machinery and service facilities (e.g., hot water heater, furnace, electrical service) contained in the enclosed area are located at least one foot above the base flood elevation; and
  - D. The enclosed area is not a basement, as defined in this section.

7. “Existing construction” means any structure for which the start of construction commenced before the effective date of the first flood plain management regulations adopted by the community and may also be referred to as “existing structure.”
8. “Existing factory-built home park or subdivision” means a factory-built home park or subdivision for which the construction of facilities for servicing the lots on which the factory-built homes are to be affixed (including, at a minimum, the installation of utilities, the construction of streets, and either final site grading or the pouring of concrete pads) was completed before the effective date of the first flood plain management regulations adopted by the community.
9. “Expansion of existing factory-built home park or subdivision” means the preparation of additional sites by the construction of facilities for servicing the lots on which the factory-built homes are to be affixed (including at a minimum, the installation of utilities, the construction of streets, and either final site grading or the pouring of concrete pads).
10. “Factory-built home” means any structure designed for residential use which is wholly or in substantial part made, fabricated, formed, or assembled in manufacturing facilities for installation or assembly and installation on a building site. For the purpose of this chapter, factory-built homes include mobile homes, manufactured homes, and modular homes and also includes recreational vehicles that are placed on a site for greater than 180 consecutive days and not fully licensed for and ready for highway use.
11. “Factory-built home park or subdivision” means a parcel or contiguous parcels of land divided into two or more factory-built home lots for sale or lease.
12. “500-year flood” means a flood, the magnitude of which has a two-tenths percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year or which, on average, will be equaled or exceeded at least once every 500 years.
13. “Flood” means a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas resulting from the overflow of streams or rivers or from the unusual and rapid runoff of surface waters from any source.
14. “Flood Insurance Rate Map” (FIRM) means the official map prepared as part of (but published separately from) the Flood Insurance Study and which delineates both the flood hazard areas and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.
15. “Flood Insurance Study” (FIS) means a report published by FEMA for a community issued along with the community’s Flood Insurance Rate Map(s). The study contains such background data as the base flood discharge and water surface elevations that were used to prepare the FIRM.
16. “Flood plain” means any land area susceptible to being inundated by water as a result of a flood.
17. “Flood plain management” means an overall program of corrective and preventive measures for reducing flood damages and promoting the wise use of flood plains, including but not limited to emergency preparedness plans, flood control works, flood proofing, and flood plain management regulations.
18. “Flood proofing” means any combination of structural and nonstructural additions, changes, or adjustments to structures, including utility and sanitary facilities, which will reduce or eliminate flood damage to such structures.

19. “Floodway” means the channel of a river or stream and those portions of the flood plains adjoining the channel which are reasonably required to carry and discharge floodwaters or flood flows so that confinement of flood flows to the floodway area will not cumulatively increase the water surface elevation of the base flood by more than one foot.
20. “Floodway fringe” means those portions of the special flood hazard area outside the floodway.
21. “Highest adjacent grade” means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls of a structure.
22. “Historic structure” means any structure that is:
- A. Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places, maintained by the Department of Interior, or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing in the National Register;
  - B. Certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district or a district preliminarily determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered historic district;
  - C. Individually listed on a State inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior; or
  - D. Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either: (i) by an approved State program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior; or (ii) directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.
23. “Lowest floor” means the floor of the lowest enclosed area in a building including a basement except when all the criteria listed in the definition of “enclosed area below lowest floor” are met.
24. “Maximum damage potential development” means hospitals and like institutions; buildings or building complexes containing documents, data, or instruments of great public value; buildings or building complexes containing materials dangerous to the public or fuel storage facilities; power installations needed in emergency or other buildings or building complexes similar in nature or use.
25. “Minor projects” means small development activities (except for filling, grading and excavating) valued at less than \$500.00.
26. “New construction” (new buildings, factory-built home parks) means those structures or development for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of the Flood Insurance Rate Map.
27. “New factory-built home park or subdivision” means a factory-built home park or subdivision for which the construction of facilities for servicing the lots on which the factory-built homes are to be affixed (including, at a minimum, the installation of utilities, the construction of streets, and either final site grading or the pouring of concrete pads) is completed on or after the effective date of the first flood plain management regulations adopted by the community.

28. “Recreational vehicle” means a vehicle that is:
- A. Built on a single chassis;
  - B. Four hundred (400) square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection;
  - C. Designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
  - D. Designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as a temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.
29. “Routine maintenance of existing buildings and facilities” means repairs necessary to keep a structure in a safe and habitable condition that do not trigger a building permit, provided they are not associated with a general improvement of the structure or repair of a damaged structure. Such repairs include:
- A. Normal maintenance of structures such as re-roofing, replacing roofing tiles and replacing siding;
  - B. Exterior and interior painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work;
  - C. Basement sealing;
  - D. Repairing or replacing damaged or broken window panes;
  - E. Repairing plumbing systems, electrical systems, heating or air conditioning systems and repairing wells or septic systems.
30. “Special flood hazard area” means the land within a community subject to the base flood. This land is identified as Zone A, AE, A1-A30, AO, and AH on the Flood Insurance Rate Map.
31. “Start of construction” includes substantial improvement, and means the date the development permit was issued, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, placement, or other improvement was within 180 days of the permit date. The actual start means either the first placement or permanent construction of a structure on a site, such as pouring of a slab or footings, the installation of pile, the construction of columns, or any work beyond the stage of excavation; or the placement of a factory-built home on a foundation. Permanent construction does not include land preparation, such as clearing, grading, and filling, nor does it include the installation of streets and/or walkways; nor does it include excavation for a basement, footings, piers, or foundations or the erection of temporary forms; nor does it include the installation on the property of accessory buildings such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main structure. For a substantial improvement, the actual start of construction means the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor, or other structural part of the building, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the building.
32. “Structure” means anything constructed or erected on the ground or attached to the ground, including (but not limited to) buildings, factories, sheds, cabins, factory-built homes, storage tanks, grain storage facilities, and other similar uses.
33. “Substantial damage” means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before damage condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

34. “Substantial improvement” means any improvement to a structure which satisfies either of the following criteria:
- A. Any repair, reconstruction, or improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure, either: (i) before the start of construction of the improvement; or (ii) if the structure has been “substantially damaged” and is being restored, before the damage occurred. The term does not, however, include any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of State or local health, sanitary, or safety code specifications that have been identified by the local code enforcement official and which are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions. The term also does not include any alteration of a historic structure, provided the alteration will not preclude the structure’s designation as a historic structure.
  - B. Any addition that increases the original floor area of a building by 25 percent or more. All additions constructed after the effective date of the first flood plain management regulations adopted by the community shall be added to any proposed addition in determining whether the total increase in original floor space would exceed 25 percent.
35. “Variance” means a grant of relief by a community from the terms of the flood plain management regulations.
36. “Violation” means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community’s flood plain management regulations.

**160.03 LANDS TO WHICH CHAPTER APPLIES.** The provisions of this chapter apply to all lands and development that have significant flood hazards. The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for Bremer County and Incorporated Areas, City of Frederika, Panel 19017C0075E, dated January 29, 2021, which were prepared as part of the Bremer County Flood Insurance Study, shall be used to identify such flood hazard areas and all areas shown thereon to be within the boundaries of the base flood shall be considered as having significant flood hazards. The Flood Insurance Study is hereby adopted by reference and is made a part of this chapter for the purpose of administering flood plain management regulations.

The boundaries of the special flood hazard areas shall be determined by scaling distances on the official Flood Insurance Rate Map. When an interpretation is needed as to the exact location of a boundary, the Administrator shall make the necessary interpretation. The City Council shall hear and decide appeals when it is alleged that there is an error in any requirement, decision, or determination made by the Administrator in the enforcement or administration of this chapter.

**160.04 COMPLIANCE.** No structure or land shall hereafter be used and no structure shall be located, extended, converted, or structurally altered without full compliance with the terms of this chapter and other applicable regulations that apply to uses within the jurisdiction of this chapter.

**160.05 ABROGATION AND GREATER RESTRICTIONS.** It is not intended by this chapter to repeal, abrogate, or impair any existing easements, covenants, or deed restrictions. However, where this chapter imposes greater restrictions, the provisions of this chapter shall prevail. All other ordinances inconsistent with this chapter are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency only.

**160.06 INTERPRETATION.** In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this chapter shall be held to be minimum requirements and shall be liberally construed in favor of the governing body and shall not be deemed a limitation or repeal of any other powers granted by State statutes.

**160.07 WARNING AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.** The standards required by this chapter are considered reasonable for regulatory purposes. This chapter does not imply that areas outside the designated areas of significant flood hazard will be free from flooding or flood damages. This chapter shall not create liability on the part of the City or any officer or employee thereof for any flood damages that result from reliance on this chapter or any administrative decision lawfully made hereunder.

**160.08 SEVERABILITY.** If any section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court or competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

**160.09 GENERAL FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT STANDARDS.** All development must be consistent with the need to minimize flood damage and meet the following applicable performance standards. Where base flood elevations have not been provided in the Flood Insurance Study, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources shall be contacted to determine: (i) whether the land involved is either wholly or partly within the floodway or floodway fringe; and (ii) the base flood elevation. The applicant will be responsible for providing the Department of Natural Resources with sufficient technical information to make such determination.

1. All Development. All development within the special flood hazard areas shall:
  - A. Be designed and adequately anchored to prevent flotation, collapse or lateral movement.
  - B. Use construction methods and practices that will minimize flood damage.
  - C. Use construction materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage.
2. Residential Structures. All new or substantially improved residential structures shall have the lowest floor, including basement, elevated a minimum of one foot above the base flood elevation. Construction shall be upon compacted fill, which shall, at all points, be no lower than one foot above the base flood elevation and extend at such elevation at least 18 feet beyond the limits of any structure erected thereon. Alternate methods of elevating (such as piers) may be allowed, subject to favorable consideration by the City Council, where existing topography, street grades, or other factors preclude elevating by fill. In such cases, the methods used must be adequate to support the structure as well as withstand the various forces and hazards associated with flooding. All new residential structures shall be provided with a means of access that will be passable by wheeled vehicles during the base flood.

All new residential structures located in areas that would become isolated due to flooding of surrounding ground shall be provided with a means of access that will be passable by wheeled vehicles during the base flood. However, this criterion shall not apply where the Administrator determines there is sufficient flood warning time for the protection of life and property. When estimating flood warning time, consideration shall be given to the criteria listed in 567-75.2(3), Iowa Administrative Code.

3. Nonresidential Structures. All new or substantially improved nonresidential structures shall have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated a minimum of one foot above the base flood elevation, or together with attendant utility and sanitary systems, be flood proofed to such a level. When flood proofing is utilized, a professional engineer registered in the State shall certify that the flood proofing methods used are adequate to withstand the flood depths, pressures, velocities, impact and uplift forces and other factors associated with the base flood; and that the structure, below the base flood elevation, is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water. A record of the certification indicating the specific elevation (in relation to North American Vertical Datum) to which any structures are flood proofed shall be maintained by the Administrator.

4. All New and Substantially Improved Structures.

A. Fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor (not including basements) that are subject to flooding shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of floodwaters. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or meet or exceed the following minimum criteria:

(1) A minimum of two openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided.

(2) The bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one foot above grade.

(3) Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, valves, or other coverings or devices provided that they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters.

Such areas shall be used solely for parking of vehicles, building access, and low damage potential storage.

B. New and substantially improved structures must be designed (or modified) and adequately anchored to prevent flotation, collapse or lateral movement of the structure resulting from hydrodynamic and hydrostatic loads, including the effects of buoyancy.

C. New and substantially improved structures must be constructed with electrical, heating, ventilation, plumbing, and air conditioning equipment and other service facilities that are designed and/or located so as to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components during conditions of flooding.

5. Factory-Built Homes.

A. All factory-built homes, including those placed in existing factory-built home parks or subdivisions, shall be elevated on a permanent foundation such that the lowest floor of the structure is a minimum of one foot above the base flood elevation.

B. All factory-built homes, including those placed in existing factory-built home parks or subdivisions, shall be anchored to resist flotation, collapse or lateral movement. Anchorage systems may include, but are not limited to, use

- of over-the-top or frame ties to ground anchors as required by the State Building Code.
6. Utility and Sanitary Systems.
    - A. On-site waste disposal and water supply systems shall be located or designed to avoid impairment to the system or contamination from the system during flooding.
    - B. All new and replacement sanitary sewage systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of floodwaters into the system as well as the discharge of effluent into floodwaters. Wastewater treatment facilities (other than on-site systems) shall be provided with a level of flood protection equal to or greater than one foot above the base flood elevation.
    - C. New or replacement water supply systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the system. Water supply treatment facilities other than on-site systems shall be provided with a level of protection equal to or greater than one foot above the base flood elevation.
    - D. Utilities such as gas or electrical systems shall be located and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage to the system and the risk associated with such flood damaged or impaired systems.
  7. Storage of Flammable Materials and Equipment. Storage of equipment and materials that are flammable, explosive, or injurious to human, animal, or plant life is prohibited unless elevated a minimum of one foot above the base flood elevation. Other material and equipment must either be similarly elevated or: (i) not subject to major flood damage and anchored to prevent movement due to floodwaters; or (ii) readily removable from the area within the time available after flood warning.
  8. Flood Control Structures. Flood control structural works such as levees, flood walls, etc. shall provide, at a minimum, protection from a base flood with a minimum of three feet of design freeboard and shall provide for adequate interior drainage. In addition, structural flood control works shall be approved by the Department of Natural Resources.
  9. Watercourse Alterations. Watercourse alterations or relocations must be designed to maintain the flood carrying capacity within the altered or relocated portion. In addition, such alterations or relocations must be approved by the Department of Natural Resources.
  10. Subdivisions. Subdivisions (including factory-built home parks and subdivisions) shall be consistent with the need to minimize flood damages and shall have adequate drainage provided to reduce exposure to flood damage. Development associated with subdivision proposals (including the installation of public utilities) shall meet the applicable performance standards of this chapter. Subdivision proposals intended for residential use shall provide all lots with a means of access that will be passable by wheeled vehicles during the base flood. Proposals for subdivisions greater than five acres or 50 lots (whichever is less) shall include base flood elevation data for those areas located within the special flood hazard area.
  11. Accessory Structures to Residential Uses.
    - A. Detached garages, sheds, and similar structures that are incidental to a residential use are exempt from the base flood elevation requirements where the following criteria are satisfied:

(1) The structure shall be designed to have flood damage potential. Its size shall not exceed 600 square feet in size. Those portions of the structure located less than one foot above the base flood elevation must be constructed of flood-resistant materials.

(2) The structure shall be used solely for low flood damage potential purposes such as vehicle parking and limited storage. The structure shall not be used for human habitation.

(3) The structure shall be constructed and placed on the building site so as to offer minimum resistance to the flow of floodwaters.

(4) The structure shall be firmly anchored to prevent flotation, collapse and lateral movement.

(5) The structure's service facilities such as electrical and heating equipment shall be elevated or flood proofed to at least one foot above the base flood elevation.

(6) The structure's walls shall include openings that satisfy the provisions of Paragraph 4(A) of this section.

B. Exemption from the base flood elevation requirements for such a structure may result in increased premium rates for flood insurance coverage of the structure and its contents.

12. Recreational Vehicles.

A. Recreational vehicles are exempt from the requirements of Subsection 5 of this section regarding anchoring and elevation of factory-built homes when the following criteria are satisfied.

(1) The recreational vehicle shall be located on the site for less than 180 consecutive days; and

(2) The recreational vehicle must be fully licensed and ready for highway use. A recreational vehicle is ready for highway use if it is on its wheels or jacking system and is attached to the site only by quick disconnect type utilities and security devices and has no permanently attached additions.

B. Recreational vehicles that are located on the site for more than 180 consecutive days or are not ready for highway use must satisfy requirements of Subsection 5 of this section regarding anchoring and elevation of factory-built homes.

13. Pipeline Crossings. Pipeline river and stream crossings shall be buried in the streambed and banks or otherwise sufficiently protected to prevent rupture due to channel degradation and meandering.

14. Maximum Damage Potential Development. All new or substantially improved maximum damage potential development shall have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated a minimum of one (1) foot above the elevation of the 500-year flood, or together with attendant utility and sanitary systems, be floodproofed to such a level. When floodproofing is utilized, a professional engineer registered in the State of Iowa shall certify that the floodproofing methods used are adequate to withstand the flood depths, pressures, velocities, impact and uplift forces and other factors associated with the 0.2% annual chance flood; and that the structure, below the 0.2% annual chance

flood elevation is watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water. A record of the certification indicating the specific elevation (in relation to North American Vertical Datum) to which any structures are floodproofed shall be maintained by the Administrator. Where 0.2% chance flood elevation data has not been provided in the Flood Insurance Study, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources shall be contacted to compute such data. The applicant will be responsible for providing the Department of Natural Resources with sufficient technical information to make such determinations.

15. Cumulative Effects of Proposed Development. Until a floodway has been designated, no development or substantial improvement shall be permitted within the special flood hazard area unless the applicant has demonstrated that the cumulative effects of the proposed development, when combined with all other existing and anticipated development, will not increase the base flood elevation more than one foot at any location.

**160.10 SPECIAL FLOODWAY STANDARDS.** In addition to the general flood plain standards, development within the floodway must meet the following applicable standards. The floodway is that portion of the flood plain which must be protected from developmental encroachment to allow the free flow of floodwaters. Where floodway data have been provided in the flood insurance study, such data shall be used to define the floodway. Where no floodway data has been provided, the Department of Natural Resources shall be contacted to provide a floodway delineation. The applicant will be responsible for providing the Department of Natural Resources with sufficient technical information to make such determination.

1. No development shall be permitted in the floodway that would result in any increase in the base flood elevation. Consideration of the effects of any development on flood levels shall be based upon the assumption that an equal degree of development would be allowed for similarly situated lands.
2. All development within the floodway shall:
  - A. Be consistent with the need to minimize flood damage.
  - B. Use construction methods and practices that will minimize flood damage.
  - C. Use construction materials and utility equipment that are resistant to flood damage.
3. No development shall affect the capacity or conveyance of the channel or floodway of any tributary to the mainstream, drainage ditch, or any other drainage facility or system.
4. Structures, buildings, recreational vehicles, and sanitary and utility systems, if permitted, shall meet the applicable general flood plain standards and shall be constructed or aligned to present the minimum possible resistance to flood flows.
5. Structures, if permitted, shall have a low flood damage potential and shall not be for human habitation.
6. Storage of materials or equipment that are buoyant, flammable, explosive, or injurious to human, animal, or plant life is prohibited. Storage of other material may be allowed if readily removable from the floodway within the time available after flood warning.

7. Watercourse alterations or relocations (channel changes and modifications) must be designed to maintain the flood carrying capacity within the altered or relocated portion. In addition, such alterations or relocations must be approved by the Department of Natural Resources.
8. Any fill allowed in the floodway must be shown to have some beneficial purpose and shall be limited to the minimum amount necessary.
9. Pipeline river or stream crossings shall be buried in the streambed and banks or otherwise sufficiently protected to prevent rupture due to channel degradation and meandering or due to the action of flood flows.

**160.11 ADMINISTRATION.** The Building Official shall implement and administer the provisions of this chapter and will herein be referred to as the Administrator. Duties and responsibilities of the Administrator shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

1. Review all flood plain development permit applications to assure that the provisions of this chapter will be satisfied.
2. Review all flood plain development permit applications to assure that all necessary permits have been obtained from Federal, State, and local governmental agencies including approval when required from the Department of Natural Resources for flood plain construction.
3. Record and maintain a record of the elevation (in relation to North American Vertical Datum) of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures.
4. Record and maintain a record of the elevation (in relation to North American Vertical Datum) to which all new or substantially improved structures have been flood proofed.
5. Notify adjacent communities and/or counties and the Department of Natural Resources prior to any proposed alteration or relocation of a watercourse and submit evidence of such notifications to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
6. Keep a record of all permits, appeals, and such other transactions and correspondence pertaining to the administration of this chapter.
7. Submit to the Federal Insurance Administration an annual report concerning the community's participation, utilizing the annual report form supplied by the Federal Insurance Administration.
8. Notify the Federal Insurance Administration of any annexations or modifications to the community's boundaries.
9. Review subdivision proposals to insure such proposals are consistent with the purpose of this ordinance and advise the Council of potential conflict.
10. Maintain the accuracy of the community's Flood Insurance Rate Maps when;
  - A. Development placed within the floodway results in any of the following:
    - (1) An increase in the base flood elevations, or
    - (2) Alteration to the floodway boundary

- B. Development placed in Zones A, AE, AH, and A1-30 that does not include a designated floodway that will cause a rise of more than one foot in the base elevation; or
- C. Development relocates or alters the channel.

Within 6 months of the completion of the development, the applicant shall submit to FEMA all scientific and technical data necessary for a Letter of Map Revision.

- 11. Perform site inspections to ensure compliance with the standards of this Ordinance.
- 12. Forward all requests for Variances to the Council for consideration. Ensure all requests include the information ordinarily submitted with applications as well as any additional information deemed necessary to the Council.

**160.12 FLOOD PLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REQUIRED.** A flood plain development permit issued by the Administrator shall be secured prior to any flood plain development (any manmade change to improved and unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, filling, grading, paving, storage of materials and equipment, excavation or drilling operations) including the placement of factory-built homes.

**160.13 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT.** Application for a flood plain development permit shall be made on forms supplied by the Administrator and shall include the following information:

- 1. Work to Be Done. Description of the work to be covered by the permit for which application is to be made.
- 2. Location. Description of the land on which the proposed work is to be done (i.e., lot, block, tract, street address, or similar description), which will readily identify and locate the work to be done.
- 3. Use or Occupancy. Indication of the use or occupancy for which the proposed work is intended.
- 4. Flood Elevation. Elevation of the base flood.
- 5. Floor Elevation. Elevation (in relation to North American Vertical Datum) of the lowest floor (including basement) of structures or of the level to which a structure is to be flood proofed.
- 6. Cost of Improvement. For structures being improved or rebuilt, the estimated cost of improvements and market value of the structure prior to the improvements.
- 7. Other. Such other information as the Administrator deems reasonably necessary (e.g., drawings or a site plan) for the purpose of this chapter.

**160.14 ACTION ON APPLICATION.** The Administrator shall, within a reasonable time, make a determination as to whether the proposed flood plain development meets the applicable standards of this chapter and shall approve or disapprove the application. For disapprovals, the applicant shall be informed, in writing, of the specific reasons therefor. The Administrator shall not issue permits for variances except as directed by the Council.

**160.15 CONSTRUCTION AND USE TO BE AS PROVIDED IN APPLICATION AND PLANS.** Flood plain development permits, issued on the basis of approved plans and applications, authorize only the use, arrangement, and construction set forth in such approved

plans and applications and no other use, arrangement, or construction. Any use, arrangement, or construction at variance with that authorized shall be deemed a violation of this chapter. The applicant shall be required to submit certification by a professional engineer or land surveyor, as appropriate, registered in the State, that the finished fill, structure floor elevations, flood proofing, or other flood protection measures were accomplished in compliance with the provisions of this chapter, prior to the use or occupancy of any structure.

**160.16 VARIANCES.** The City Council may authorize upon request in specific cases such variances from the terms of this chapter that will not be contrary to the public interest, where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this chapter will result in unnecessary hardship. Variances granted must meet the following applicable standards:

1. Cause. Variances shall only be granted upon: (i) a showing of good and sufficient cause; (ii) a determination that failure to grant the variance would result in exceptional hardship to the applicant; and (iii) a determination that the granting of the variance will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, create nuisances, cause fraud on or victimization of the public, or conflict with existing local codes or ordinances.
2. Prohibited. Variances shall not be issued within any designated floodway if any increase in flood levels during the base flood would result. Consideration of the effects of any development on flood levels shall be based upon the assumption that an equal degree of development would be allowed for similarly situated lands.
3. Required to Afford Relief. Variances shall only be granted upon a determination that the variance is the minimum necessary, considering the flood hazard, to afford relief.
4. Notice to Applicant. In cases where the variance involves a lower level of flood protection for structures than what is ordinarily required by this chapter, the applicant shall be notified in writing over the signature of the Administrator that: (i) the issuance of a variance will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25.00 for \$100.00 of insurance coverage; and (ii) such construction increases risks to life and property.
5. Approval. All variances granted shall have the concurrence or approval of the Department of Natural Resources.

**160.17 FACTORS UPON WHICH THE DECISION TO GRANT VARIANCES SHALL BE BASED.** In passing upon applications for variances, the Council shall consider all relevant factors specified in other sections of this chapter and:

1. The danger to life and property due to increased flood heights or velocities caused by encroachments.
2. The danger that materials may be swept on to other land or downstream to the injury of others.
3. The proposed water supply and sanitation systems and the ability of these systems to prevent disease, contamination, and unsanitary conditions.
4. The susceptibility of the proposed facility and its contents to flood damage and the effect of such damage on the individual owner.
5. The importance of the services provided by the proposed facility to the City.
6. The requirements of the facility for a flood plain location.

7. The availability of alternative locations not subject to flooding for the proposed use.
8. The compatibility of the proposed use with existing development and development anticipated in the foreseeable future.
9. The relationship of the proposed use to the comprehensive plan and flood plain management program for the area.
10. The safety of access to the property in times of flood for ordinary and emergency vehicles.
11. The expected heights, velocity, duration, rate of rise, and sediment transport of the floodwaters expected at the site.
12. The cost of providing governmental services during and after flood conditions, including maintenance and repair of public utilities (sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems), facilities, streets and bridges.
13. Such other factors relevant to the purpose of this chapter.

**160.18 CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO VARIANCES.** Upon consideration of the factors listed in Section 160.17, the Council may attach such conditions to the granting of variances as it deems necessary to further the purpose of this chapter. Such conditions may include, but not necessarily be limited to:

1. Modification of waste disposal and water supply facilities.
2. Limitation of periods of use and operation.
3. Imposition of operational controls, sureties, and deed restrictions.
4. Requirements for construction of channel modifications, dikes, levees, and other protective measures, provided such are approved by the Department of Natural Resources and are deemed the only practical alternative to achieving the purposes of this chapter.
5. Flood proofing measures shall be designed consistent with the flood protection elevation for the particular area, flood velocities, duration, rate of rise, hydrostatic and hydrodynamic forces, and other factors associated with the regulatory flood. The Council shall require that the applicant submit a plan or document certified by a registered professional engineer that the floodproofing measures are consistent with the regulatory flood protection elevation and associated flood factors for the particular area.

**160.19 NONCONFORMING USES.**

1. A structure or the use of a structure or premises which was lawful before the passage or amendment of this chapter, but which is not in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, may be continued subject to the following conditions:
  - A. If such use is discontinued for six consecutive months, any future use of the building premises shall conform to this chapter.
  - B. Uses or adjuncts thereof that are or become nuisances shall not be entitled to continue as nonconforming uses.
2. If any nonconforming use or structure is destroyed by any means, including flood, it shall not be reconstructed if the cost is more than 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred, unless it is reconstructed in conformity

with the provisions of this chapter. This limitation does not include the cost of any alteration to comply with existing State or local health, sanitary, building, or safety codes or regulations or the cost of any alteration of a structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places, provided that the alteration shall not preclude its continued designation.

3. Except as provided in Subsection 1(B) of this section, any use which has been permitted as a variance shall be considered a conforming use.

**160.20 PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.** Violations of the provisions of this ordinance or failure to comply with any of the requirements shall constitute a misdemeanor. Any person who violates this ordinance or fails to comply with any of its requirements shall upon conviction thereof be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the City from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy violation.

**160.21 AMENDMENTS.** The regulations and standards set forth in this chapter may from time to time be amended, supplemented, changed, or repealed. No amendment, supplement, change, or modification shall be undertaken without prior approval from the Department of Natural Resources.

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# APPENDIX TO CODE OF ORDINANCES

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## USE AND MAINTENANCE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

The following information is provided to assist in the use and proper maintenance of this Code of Ordinances.

### DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES

**1. OFFICIAL COPY.** The “OFFICIAL COPY” of the Code of Ordinances must be kept by the City Clerk and should be identified as the “OFFICIAL COPY.”

**2. DISTRIBUTION.** Other copies of the Code of Ordinances should be made available to all persons having a relatively frequent and continuing need to have access to ordinances which are in effect in the City as well as reference centers such as the City Library, County Law Library, and perhaps the schools.

**3. SALE.** The sale or distribution of copies in a general fashion is not recommended as experience indicates that indiscriminate distribution tends to result in outdated codes being used or misused.

**4. RECORD OF DISTRIBUTION.** The City Clerk should be responsible for maintaining an accurate and current record of persons having a copy of the Code of Ordinances. Each official, elected or appointed, should return to the City, upon leaving office, all documents, records and other materials pertaining to the office, including this Code of Ordinances.

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

### NUMBERING OF ORDINANCES AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

It is recommended that a simple numerical sequence be used in assigning ordinance numbers to ordinances as they are passed. For example, if the ordinance adopting the Code of Ordinances is No. 163, we would suggest that the first ordinance passed changing, adding to, or deleting from the Code be assigned the number 164, the next ordinance be assigned the number 165, and so on. We advise against using the Code of Ordinances numbering system for the numbering of ordinances.

**RETENTION OF AMENDING ORDINANCES**

Please note that two books should be maintained: (1) the Code of Ordinances; and (2) an ordinance book. We will assist in the maintenance of the Code of Ordinances book, per the Supplement Agreement, by revising and returning appropriate pages for the Code of Ordinances book as required to accommodate ordinances amending the Code. The City Clerk is responsible for maintaining the ordinance book and must be sure that an original copy of each ordinance adopted, bearing the signatures of the Mayor and Clerk, is inserted in the ordinance book and preserved in a safe place.

**SUPPLEMENT RECORD**

A record of all supplements prepared for the Code of Ordinances is provided in the front of the Code. This record will indicate the number and date of the ordinances adopting the original Code and of each subsequently adopted ordinance which has been incorporated in the Code. For each supplemented ordinance, the Supplement Record will list the ordinance number, date, topic, and chapter or section number of the Code affected by the amending ordinance. A periodic review of the Supplement Record and ordinances passed will assure that all ordinances amending the Code have been incorporated therein.

**DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLEMENTS**

Supplements containing revised pages for insertion in each Code will be sent to the Clerk. It is the responsibility of the Clerk to see that each person having a Code of Ordinances receives each supplement so that each Code may be properly updated to reflect action of the Council in amending the Code.

**AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES**

The Code of Ordinances contains most of the laws of the City as of the date of its adoption and is continually subject to amendment to reflect changing policies of the Council, mandates of the State, or decisions of the Courts. Amendments to the Code of Ordinances can only be accomplished by the adoption of an ordinance.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.2)*

The following forms of ordinances are recommended for making amendments to the Code of Ordinances:

**ADDITION OF NEW PROVISIONS**

New material may require the addition of a new SUBSECTION, SECTION or CHAPTER, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION LIMITING PARKING TO 30 MINUTES ON A PORTION OF SOUTH BOONE STREET

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Frederika, Iowa:

SECTION 1. NEW SECTION. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Frederika, Iowa, is amended by adding a new Section 69.16, entitled PARKING LIMITED TO 30 MINUTES, which is hereby adopted to read as follows:

69.16 PARKING LIMITED TO 30 MINUTES. It is unlawful to park any vehicle for a continuous period of more than 30 minutes between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on each day upon the following designated streets:

- 1. South Boone Street, on the west side, from Forest Avenue to Mason Drive.

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

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

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

Passed by the Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

DELETION OF EXISTING PROVISIONS

Provisions may be removed from the Code of Ordinances by deleting SUBSECTIONS, SECTIONS or CHAPTERS as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA, BY REPEALING SECTION 65.02, SUBSECTION 5, PERTAINING TO THE SPECIAL STOP REQUIRED ON LAKE BOULEVARD

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Frederika, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SUBSECTION REPEALED. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Frederika, Iowa, is hereby amended by repealing Section 65.02, Subsection 5, which required vehicles traveling south on Lake Boulevard to stop at Second Place North.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No.\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

MODIFICATION OR CHANGE OF EXISTING PROVISION

Existing provisions may be added to, partially deleted, or changed as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Frederika, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 99.02 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Frederika, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

99.02 RATE. Each customer shall pay sewer service charges in the amount of 100 percent of the bill for water and water service attributable to the customer for the property served, but in no event less than \$10.00 per month.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_  
Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_  
Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

**ORDINANCES NOT CONTAINED IN THE  
CODE OF ORDINANCES**

There are certain types of ordinances which the City will be adopting which do not have to be incorporated in the Code of Ordinances. These include ordinances: (1) establishing grades of streets or sidewalks; (2) vacating streets or alleys; (3) authorizing the issuance of bonds; and (4) amending the zoning map.

*(Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.8)*

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE ALLEY LYING IN BLOCK TWO  
RAILROAD ADDITION TO FREDERIKA, IOWA**

Be It Enacted by the City Council of the City of Frederika, Iowa:

**SECTION 1.** The alley lying in Block Two, Railroad Addition to Frederika, Iowa, is hereby vacated and closed from public use.

**SECTION 2.** The Council may by resolution convey the alley described above to abutting property owners in a manner directed by the City Council.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.** If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

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

Passed by the Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

These ordinances should be numbered in the same numerical sequence as any other amending ordinance and placed in their proper sequence in the ordinance book.

**SUGGESTED FORMS**

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**FIRST NOTICE – DANGEROUS BUILDING**

TO: (Name and address of owner, agent, or occupant of the property on which nuisance is located or the person causing or maintaining the nuisance).

You are hereby notified to abate the nuisance existing at (name location of nuisance) within \_\_\_ days from service of this notice or file written request for a Council hearing with the undersigned officer within said time limit.

The nuisance consists of (describe the nuisance and cite the law or ordinance) and shall be abated by (state action necessary to abate the particular nuisance).

In the event you fail to abate or cause to be abated the above nuisance, as directed, or file written request for hearing within the time prescribed herein, the City will take such steps as are necessary to abate or cause to be abated the nuisance and the cost will be assessed against you as provided by law.

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Frederika, Iowa

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(enforcement officer)

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON DANGEROUS BUILDING**

TO: (Name and address of the owner, agent, or occupant of the property on which nuisance is located or the person causing or maintaining the nuisance).

You are hereby notified that the City Council of Frederika, Iowa, will meet on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m., in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, at (address of City Hall) for the purpose of considering whether or not the alleged nuisance consisting of (describe the nuisance) on your property, locally known as \_\_\_\_\_, constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ of the Code of Ordinances of Frederika, Iowa, and should be abated by (state action necessary to abate the particular nuisance).

You are further notified that at such time and place you may appear and show cause why the said alleged nuisance should not be abated.

You are further notified to govern yourselves accordingly.

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Frederika, Iowa

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(enforcement officer)

**RESOLUTION AND ORDER  
REGARDING DANGEROUS BUILDING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Frederika, Iowa:

**WHEREAS**, notice has heretofore been served on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, on (property owner’s name), through (agent’s name or “none”), agent, to abate the nuisance existing at (legal description and address) within \_\_\_ days from service of said notice upon the said (name of owner or agent). and

(EITHER)

**WHEREAS**, a hearing was requested by the said (name of property owner or agent) and the same was held at this meeting and evidence produced and considered by the City Council.

(OR, ALTERNATE TO PRECEDING PARAGRAPH)

**WHEREAS**, the said owner (agent) named above has failed to abate or cause to be abated the above nuisance as directed within the time set, and after evidence was duly produced and considered at this meeting, and said owner has failed to file a written request for hearing, as provided, after being properly served by a notice to abate.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the owner of said property, or said owner’s agent (name of owner or agent) is hereby directed and ordered to abate the nuisance consisting of (describe the nuisance) by (state action necessary to abate) within \_\_\_ days after the service of this Order upon said owner or agent. and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the enforcement officer be and is hereby directed to serve a copy of this Order upon the said property owner or agent named above. and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event the owner, or agent (name the owner or agent) fails to abate the said nuisance within the time prescribed above, then and in that event the City will abate the said nuisance and the cost will be assessed against the property and/or owner (owner’s name) at (address), as the law shall provide.

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

Adopted this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

**Note:** It is suggested by the blank space in the resolution that additional time be allowed the owner to abate the nuisance after the passage of the resolution before any action is taken on the part of the City to abate the same. In some instances, for the sake of public safety, the time element could be stricken from the resolution and immediate action be taken to abate the nuisance after the order is given.

**NOTICE TO ABATE NUISANCE**

TO: (Name and address of owner, agent, or occupant of the property on which the nuisance is located or the person causing or maintaining the nuisance).

You are hereby notified to abate the nuisance existing at (name location of nuisance) or file written request for a hearing with the undersigned officer within (hours or days) from service of this notice.

The nuisance consists of: (describe the nuisance) and shall be abated by: (state action necessary to abate the particular nuisance).

In the event you fail to abate or cause to be abated the above nuisance as directed, the City will take such steps as are necessary to abate or cause to be abated the nuisance and the costs will be assessed against you as provided by law.

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Frederika, Iowa

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(designate officer initiating notice)

NOTICE

REQUIRED SEWER CONNECTION

TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)  
\_\_\_\_\_, Iowa

You are hereby notified that connection to the public sanitary sewer system is required at the following described property within \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) days from service of this notice or that you must file written request for a hearing before the Council with the undersigned office within said time limit.

Description of Property

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The nearest public sewer line within \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) feet of the above described property is located

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In the event you fail to make connection as directed, or file written request for hearing within the time prescribed herein, the connection shall be made by the City and the costs thereof assessed against you as by law provided.

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Frederika, Iowa

By: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Title)

NOTICE OF HEARING

REQUIRED SEWER CONNECTION

TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)  
\_\_\_\_\_, Iowa

You are hereby notified that the City Council of Frederika, Iowa, will meet on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall for the purpose of considering whether or not connection to the public sanitary sewer system shall be required at the following described property:

Description of Property

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

You are further notified that at such time and place you may appear and show cause why said connection should not be required.

You are further notified to govern yourselves accordingly.

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Frederika, Iowa

By: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Title)

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

REQUIRED SEWER CONNECTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Frederika, Iowa:

WHEREAS, notice has heretofore been served on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, on

\_\_\_\_\_,  
(Name of Property Owner)

through \_\_\_\_\_, Agent,  
(Agent’s Name or “None”)

to make connection of the property described as

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

to the public sanitary sewer located \_\_\_\_\_  
within \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) days from service of notice upon said owner or agent. and

(EITHER)

WHEREAS, a hearing was requested by the said owner or agent and the same was held at this meeting and evidence produced and considered by the City Council.

(OR AS ALTERNATE TO THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH)

WHEREAS, the said owner or agent named above has failed to make such required connection within the time set, and after evidence was duly produced and considered at this meeting, and said owner or agent has failed to file a written request for hearing after being properly served by a notice to make such connection or request a hearing thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the owner of said property, or said owner’s agent, \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Owner or Agent)

is hereby directed and ordered to make such required connection within \_\_\_\_\_ days after the service of this ORDER upon said owner or agent. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and the same is hereby directed to serve a copy of this ORDER upon said property owner or agent named above. and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the event the owner, or agent,

\_\_\_\_\_.

(Name of Owner or Agent)

fails to make such connection within the time prescribed above, then and in that event the City will make such connection and the cost thereof will be assessed against the property and/or owner

\_\_\_\_\_

(Owner's Name)

\_\_\_\_\_, as provided by law.

(Address)

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt.

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_.

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

Resolution approved this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA

APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING/LAND USE PERMIT

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ APPLICATION NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ FEE: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No. (Bus.) \_\_\_\_\_ (Res.) \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	
_____	FEE PAID
_____	PLOT DIAGRAM SUBMITTED
_____	PLAN SUBMITTED
_____	APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY SUBMITTED

I/WE HEREBY REQUEST A BUILDING/LAND USE PERMIT TO:

BUILD  ALTER  CHANGE THE USE OF

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT USE: \_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSED USE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

A *PLOT DIAGRAM*, showing lot lines, exact location and dimensions of all existing and proposed structures on the property, *AND A PLAN OF ANY PROPOSED WORK MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION.*

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I have read Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ of the Code of Ordinances of Frederika, Iowa, and believe to the best of my knowledge, that the work proposed in this application would not violate any portion of this chapter.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant's Signature)

CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA

BUILDING/LAND USE PERMIT

PERMIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

APPLICATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (Date of Application)

LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

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THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER \_\_\_\_, "BUILDING AND LAND USE REGULATIONS" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF FREDERIKA, IOWA.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

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THIS PERMIT ISSUED TO:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Building Official

CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ APPLICATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION NO. OF BUILDING/LAND USE PERMIT \_\_\_\_\_

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APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NO. (Business) \_\_\_\_\_

(Home) \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Building Official

CITY OF FREDERIKA, IOWA

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

NO. \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT

TEMPORARY

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

C.O. APPLICATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDING/LAND USE PERMIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DATE ISSUED: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF \_\_\_\_\_, IOWA, AND COMPLIES WITH ALL THE BUILDING AND HEALTH LAWS.

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THIS CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Building Official

