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PREFACE

The Pulaski Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the City of Pulaski, Tennessee. By referring to the historical citation appearing at the end of each section, the user can determine the origin of each particular section. The absence of a historical citation means that the section was added by the codifier. The word "modified" in the historical citation indicates significant modification of the original ordinance.

The code is arranged into titles, chapters, and sections. Related matter is kept together, so far as possible, within the same title. Each section number is complete within itself, containing the title number, the chapter number, and the section of the chapter of which it is a part. Specifically, the first digit, followed by a hyphen, identifies the title number. The second digit identifies the chapter number, and the last two digits identify the section number. For example, title 2, chapter 1, section 6, is designated as section 2-106.

By utilizing the table of contents and the analysis preceding each title and chapter of the code, together with the cross references and explanations included as footnotes, the user should locate all the provisions in the code relating to any question that might arise. However, the user should note that most of the administrative ordinances (e.g. Annual Budget, Zoning Map Amendments, Tax Assessments, etc...) do not appear in the code. Likewise, ordinances that have been passed since the last update of the code do not appear here. Therefore, the user should refer to the city's ordinance book or the city recorder for a comprehensive and up to date review of the city's ordinances.

Following this preface is an outline of the ordinance adoption procedures, if any, prescribed by the city's charter.

The code has been arranged and prepared in loose-leaf form to facilitate keeping it up to date. MTAS will provide updating service under the following conditions:

- (1) That all ordinances relating to subjects treated in the code or which should be added to the code are adopted as amending, adding, or deleting specific chapters or sections of the code (see section 8 of the adopting ordinance).
- (2) That one copy of every ordinance adopted by the city is kept in a separate ordinance book and forwarded to MTAS annually.
- (3) That the city agrees to pay the annual update fee as provided in the MTAS codification service charges policy in effect at the time of the update.

When the foregoing conditions are met MTAS will reproduce replacement pages for the code to reflect the amendments and additions made by such ordinances. This service will be performed at least annually and more often if

justified by the volume of amendments. Replacement pages will be supplied with detailed instructions for utilizing them so as again to make the code complete and up to date.

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**ORDINANCE ADOPTION PROCEDURES PRESCRIBED BY THE
CITY CHARTER**

ARTICLE XIII

Ordinances

Section

1. Form.
2. Passage.
3. Amendments.
4. Publication.
5. Code of Ordinances.

Section 1. Form. Be it further enacted, That all City ordinances shall begin by an enacting clause as follows: "Be it enacted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Pulaski," and shall, at the end of the ordinance, contain the provision: "this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it," otherwise the same shall not take effect until twenty (20) days after its passage, unless another date is fixed therein. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1953, ch. 587, § 7]

Section 2. Passage. Be it further enacted, That all ordinances shall be read in open session of the Board on two different days before being placed on third and final reading, provided, however, any ordinance may be introduced, read twice, once in full and once by title, and passed on third and final reading by unanimous vote of all members of the Board at any meeting. In the event an ordinance is so passed, it will contain the following provision in the body thereof, immediately following the public welfare clause: "This ordinance was passed unanimously on three readings on this, the _____ day of 19__, the public good and welfare demanding that its passage not be postponed."

Section 3. Amendments. Be it further enacted, That all amendments to existing ordinances shall be in the form of new ordinances and shall be adopted in the same manner.

Section 4. Publication. Be it further enacted, That the Board may, by resolution, direct that any ordinance pending before the Board, or under consideration by it, be published in some newspaper circulated within the City, before taking final action thereon, and may, in like manner, direct the publication of any ordinance after its passage on third and final reading.

Section 5. Code of Ordinances. Be it further enacted, That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall draft and publish, within eight (8) months after the

effective date of this Act, a Code of the ordinances of the City of Pulaski. Thereafter, it shall become the duty of the City Attorney to keep said Code current by preparing and publishing the supplement provided for in Section 5 (7) of Article VIII. Thereafter at ten (10) year intervals a new Code shall be published. The publication of the original Code, the preparation and publication of the yearly supplements, and the subsequent adoption and publication of a Code at ten (10) year intervals, are made the mandatory duty of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and failure to perform this duty shall be considered a violation of this Act and shall work a forfeiture of their office. The city attorney may use the services of the Municipal Technical Advisory Service or any other professional group that may be in existence and be approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. [As amended by Priv. Acts 1976, ch. 253, § 14]

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