

**THE
HOHENWALD
MUNICIPAL
CODE**

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PREFACE

The Hohenwald Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the City of Hohenwald, 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 7 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.

The able assistance of the codes team: Kelley Myers and Nancy Gibson, is gratefully acknowledged.

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

Section 2

(10) Ordinances.

(1) No ordinance shall be introduced before the council unless having first been laid upon the desk of the city recorder and no such ordinance shall become effective without having been passed on at least two (2) readings and no more than one (1) reading shall be had on any one day. However, the annual budget ordinance shall require, a third reading. Before any ordinance shall become effective, it shall receive not fewer than three (3) affirmative votes. Every ordinance and amendment shall be retained in the custody of the recorder. All ordinances, when they have been finally passed or adopted, shall be signed by the mayor. A record of all yes and no votes shall be entered into the minutes for all ordinance votes.

(2) Any franchise, renewal or sale or lease of the utilities owned by the municipality shall be authorized by the city council and any bonds issued relating to such utilities shall comply with the Local Government Public Obligations Law in the same manner as provided for the issuance of bonds under Section 4, subsection (c) of this Act.

(3) All ordinances shall contain the following enacting clause:

"Be it enacted by the city council of Hohenwald," and they shall take effect immediately upon final passage, or at a time fixed within the ordinance.