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PREFACE

The McKenzie Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the City of McKenzie, 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 clerk 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 reimburse MTAS for the actual costs of reproducing replacement pages for the code (no charge is made for the consultant's work, and reproduction costs are usually nominal).

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**

SECTION 9. No ordinance shall be adopted without having first been passed on two (2) separate readings, and no more than one (1) reading shall be had on any one (1) day. All ordinances must be in written form upon introduction. An ordinance may pass first reading on the day on which it is introduced. An ordinance may be amended prior to the second reading. Upon final passage of an ordinance, the vote shall be taken by ayes and nays and the names of the councilmen voting for and against the ordinance shall be entered in the minutes. No ordinance shall be adopted unless it receives four (4) affirmative votes of the board of mayor and councilmen.

Within five (5) days, exclusive of Sundays and holidays, after final passage of an ordinance, the mayor shall indicate his approval by signing or his disapproval by vetoing the ordinance. If the mayor neither signs nor vetoes the ordinance during the five (5) day period, the ordinance becomes effective without his signature.

If the mayor vetoes an ordinance, his reasons for doing so shall be stated in writing and the ordinance and the veto shall be presented to the city council for its action. The city council may pass the ordinance over his veto by an affirmative vote of four (4) of its members.

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