# THE ROCKWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE

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#### **PREFACE**

The Rockwood Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the City of Rockwood, 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

Section 2. Ordinance Adoption. Except as otherwise provided, ordinances shall be passed in the following manner. Every proposed ordinance shall be in writing. After adoption of a code of ordinances, each ordinance of a general and permanent nature shall be adopted, as far as practicable, as amending or adding a numbered section of the code. Any ordinance which amends an existing ordinance or part of the city code shall set out in full the ordinance, sections or sub-sections amended. Each ordinance shall be read and passed at two separate meetings, which may be regular or special, but which shall be at least ten days apart. After passage, each ordinance shall be authenticated by the Mayor and Recorder or by two Councilmen, and placed in a binder. The body of ordinances may be omitted from the minutes of the Council, but reference therein shall be made to the ordinance by number and subject matter.

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