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PREFACE

The City of Kingston Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the City of Kingston, 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 § 2-106.

By utilizing the table of contents, code index 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 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/town is kept in a separate ordinance book and forwarded to MTAS annually.
- (3) That the city/town 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 4.09. Ordinances -- adoption, codification, etc. The enacting clause of each ordinance shall be: "Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Kingston." Every proposed ordinance shall be in writing. Each ordinance, before being adopted, shall be read at two (2) separate meetings, which maybe regular or special. As used in this section, "read" means the reading of the caption of the ordinance. All ordinances of a penal nature passed shall be published at least once in the official newspaper of the city, and no such ordinance shall be in force until it is published. The council shall, within a two-year period after the adoption of this charter, and every ten (10) years thereafter, arrange for the codification of the ordinances of the city. Copies of this charter, code, and current loose-leaf editions of the official code shall be maintained and made available for purchase by the general public at a fee to be established by the council. In addition, each councilman shall be furnished a copy for his use during his term of office. [As replaced by Priv. Acts 2007, ch. 57, § 1]

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