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PREFACE

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

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ORDINANCE ADOPTION PROCEDURES PRESCRIBED BY THE CITY CHARTER

Be it further enacted, That every ordinance shall be read two different days in open session before its adoption, and not less than one week shall elapse between the first and second reading, and any ordinance not so read shall be null and void.

An ordinance shall not take effect until ten days after the first passage thereof, except in case of an emergency ordinance. An emergency ordinance may take effect from the day of its final passage, provided it shall contain the statement that an emergency exists and shall specify with definiteness the facts and reasons constituting such an emergency.

The unanimous vote of all members of the Board present shall be required to pass an emergency ordinance.

No ordinance making a grant, renewal or extension of a franchise or other special privilege shall ever be passed as an emergency ordinance. No ordinance shall be amended except by a new ordinance. (Charter § 2-12)
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