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- 4-101. <u>Policy and purpose as to coverage</u>. It is hereby declared to be the policy and purpose of this city to provide for all eligible employees and officials of the city, whether employed in connection with a governmental or proprietary function, the benefits of the system of federal old age and survivors insurance. In pursuance of said policy, and for that purpose, the city shall take such action as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (1988 Code, § 1-601)
- **4-102.** Necessary agreements to be executed. The city manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute all the necessary agreements and amendments thereto with the state executive director of old age insurance, as agent or agency, to secure coverage of employees and officials as provided in the preceding section. (1988 Code, § 1-602)
- **4-103.** Withholdings from salaries or wages. Withholdings from the salaries or wages of employees and officials for the purpose provided in the first section of this chapter are hereby authorized to be made in the amounts and at such times as may be required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations, and shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (1988 Code, § 1-603)
- **4-104.** <u>Appropriations for employer's contributions</u>. There shall be appropriated from available funds such amounts at such times as may be

required by applicable state or federal laws or regulations for employer's contributions, and the same shall be paid over to the state or federal agency designated by said laws or regulations. (1988 Code, § 1-604)

4-105. Records and reports to be made. The city shall keep such records and make such reports as may be required by applicable state and federal laws or regulations. (1988 Code, § 1-605)

CHAPTER 2

DELETED¹

(as deleted by Ord. #538, Oct. 2010)

¹Chapter 2 "Personnel Policy" as adopted November 4, 2004, and any amendments thereto, was removed from the Dayton Municipal Code by Ord. #538, Oct. 2010. The Personnel Policy, and all amendments, for the City of Dayton are published as separate documents and are of record in the office of the city recorder.

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- 4-301. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this chapter and referenced regulations is to bring the City of Dayton into compliance with Public Acts 1993, Chapter 433. This act requires Tennessee municipalities to adopt travel and expense regulations covering expenses incurred by "any mayor and any member of the local governing body and any board or committee member elected or appointed by the mayor or local governing body, and any official or employee of the municipality whose salary is set by charter or general law."

To provide consistent travel regulations and reimbursement, this chapter is expanded to cover regular city employees. It's the intent of this policy to assure fair and equitable treatment to all individuals traveling on city business at city expense. (1988 Code, § 1-801)

- **4-302.** Enforcement. The chief administrative officer (CAO) of the city or his or her designee shall be responsible for the enforcement of these travel regulations. (1988 Code, § 1-802)
- 4-303. <u>Travel policy</u>. (1) In the interpretation and application of this chapter, the term "traveler" or "authorized traveler" means any elected or appointed municipal officer or employee, including members of municipal boards and committees appointed by the mayor or the municipal governing body, and the employees of such boards and committees who are traveling on official municipal business and whose travel was authorized in accordance with this chapter. "Authorized traveler" shall not include the spouse, children, other relatives, friends, or companions accompanying the authorized traveler on city business, unless the person(s) otherwise qualifies as an authorized traveler under this chapter.
- (2) Authorized travelers are entitled to reimbursement of certain expenditures incurred while traveling on official business for the city. Reimbursement expenses shall include expenses for transportation; lodging; meals; registration fees for conferences, conventions, and seminars; and other actual and necessary expenses related to official business as determined by the CAO. Under certain conditions, entertainment expenses may be eligible for reimbursement.

(3) Authorized travelers can request either a travel advance for the projected cost of authorized travel, or advance billing directly to the city for registration fees, air fares, meals, lodging, conferences, and similar expenses.

Travel advance requests aren't considered documentation of travel expenses. If travel advances exceed documented expenses, the traveler must immediately reimburse the city. It will be the responsibility of the CAO to initiate action to recover any undocumented travel advances.

- (4) Travel advances are available only for special travel and only after completion and approval of the travel authorization form.
- (5) The travel expense reimbursement form will be used to document all expense claims.
 - (6) To qualify for reimbursement, travel expenses must be:
 - (a) Directly related to the conduct of the city business for which travel was authorized, and
 - (b) Actual, reasonable, and necessary under the circumstances. The CAO may make exceptions for unusual circumstances.
 - (c) Expenses considered excessive won't be allowed.
- (7) Claims of \$5 or more for travel expense reimbursement must be supported by the original paid receipt for lodging, vehicle rental, phone call, public carrier travel, conference fee, and other reimbursement costs.
- (8) Any person attempting to defraud the city or misuse town travel funds is subject to legal action for recovery of fraudulent travel claims and/or advances.
- (9) Mileage and motel expenses incurred within the City of Dayton are not ordinarily considered eligible expenses for reimbursement. (1988 Code, § 1-803)
- **4-304.** <u>Travel reimbursement rate schedules</u>. Authorized travelers shall be reimbursed according to the policy of the City of Dayton which is attached to this ordinance and incorporated herein as if copied verbatim.¹

The municipality may pay directly to the provider for expenses such as meals, lodging, and registration fees for conferences, conventions, seminars, and other education programs. (1988 Code, § 1-804)

4-305. Administrative procedures. The city adopts and incorporates by reference, as if fully set out herein, the administrative procedures which are attached to this ordinance and a copy of which is on file in the city recorder's office. (1988 Code, § 1-805)

¹See Ordinance No. 323 (August 1993), and amendments thereto, of record in the recorder's office.

CHAPTER 4

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM

SECTION

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- **4-401.** <u>Title</u>. This chapter shall be known as "The Occupational Safety and Health Program Plan" for the employees of the City of Dayton, Tennessee. (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016)
- **4-402. Purpose**. The Dayton City Council in electing to update the established program plan will maintain an effective and comprehensive occupational safety and health program plan for its employees and shall:
- (1) Provide a safe and healthful place and condition of employment that includes:
 - (a) Top management commitment and employee involvement;
 - (b) Continually analyze the worksite to identify all hazards and potential hazards;
 - (c) Develop and maintain methods for preventing or controlling existing or potential hazards; and
 - (d) Train managers, supervisors, and employees to understand and deal with worksite hazards.
- (2) Acquire, maintain and require the use of safety equipment, personal protective equipment and devices reasonably necessary to protect employees.
- (3) Record, keep, preserve, and make available to the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, or persons within the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to whom such responsibilities have been delegated, adequate records of all occupational accidents and illnesses and personal injuries for proper evaluation and necessary corrective action as required.
- (4) Consult with the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development with regard to the adequacy of the form and content of records.
- (5) Consult with the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development, as appropriate, regarding safety and health problems which are considered to be unusual or peculiar and are such that they cannot be achieved under a standard promulgated by the state.

- (6) Provide reasonable opportunity for the participation of employees in the effectuation of the objectives of this program plan, including the opportunity to make anonymous complaints concerning conditions or practices injurious to employee safety and health.
- (7) Provide for education and training of personnel for the fair and efficient administration of occupational safety and health standards, and provide for education and notification of all employees of the existence of this program plan. (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016)
- **4-403.** Coverage. The provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Program Plan for the employees of the City of Dayton shall apply to all employees of each administrative department, commission, board, division, or other agency whether part-time or full-time, seasonal or permanent. (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016)
- **4-404.** Standards authorized. The occupational safety and health standards adopted by the City of Dayton are the same as, but not limited to, the State of Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Standards promulgated, or which may be promulgated, in accordance with section 6 of the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1972.¹ (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016)
- 4-405. <u>Variances from standards authorized</u>. Upon written application to the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development of the State of Tennessee, we may request an order granting a temporary variance from any approved standards. Applications for variances shall be in accordance with Rules of Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Occupational Safety and Health, VARIANCES FROM OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS, chapter 0800-01-02, as authorized by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 50. Prior to requesting such temporary variance, we will notify or serve notice to our employees, their designated representatives, or interested parties and present them with an opportunity for a hearing. The posting of notice on the main bulletin board shall be deemed sufficient notice to employees. (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016)
- **4-406. Administration**. For the purposes of this chapter, Dan Fry is designated as the safety director of occupational safety and health to perform duties and to exercise powers assigned to plan, develop, and administer this

Tennessee Code Annotated, title 50, chapter 3.

¹State law reference

program plan. The safety director shall develop a plan of operation¹ for the program plan in accordance with Rules of Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development Occupational Safety and Health, SAFETY AND HEALTH PROVISIONS FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR, chapter 0800-01-05, as authorized by Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50. (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016, Ord. #624, May 2020 *Ch7_01-04-21*, and Ord. #698, Dec. 2023 *Ch8_12-04-23*)

4-407. Funding the program. Sufficient funds for administering and staffing the program plan pursuant to this chapter shall be made available as authorized by the City of Dayton, Dayton City Council. (Ord. #436, July 2003, as replaced by Ord. #586, Sept. 2016)

¹The plan of operation is included in this municipal code as Appendix A.