

**THE
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MUNICIPAL
CODE**

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PREFACE

The Cornersville Municipal Code contains the codification and revision of the ordinances of the Town of Cornersville, 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 town's ordinance book or the town recorder for a comprehensive and up to date review of the town's ordinances.

Following this preface is an outline of the ordinance adoption procedures, if any, prescribed by the town'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 town is kept in a separate ordinance book and forwarded to MTAS annually.

(3) That the town 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
TOWN CHARTER**

SECTION 16. No bill shall become a law or ordinance without having been passed on three (3) separate readings on three (3) separate days by majority vote of the quorum of the Board. When not prohibited by State law, an ordinance may be amended on any reading.

All bills shall contain the following enacting clause: "Be it enacted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Cornersville".

Ordinances shall be introduced in writing, and when passed, shall be signed by the Mayor and attested by the Recorder, and shall be incorporated in the minutes of the Board together with the full recitals of their introduction and passage, which minutes shall be a permanent record and kept for permanent inspection.

No ordinance shall take effect until its passage on third reading, and at such time provided in the ordinance. If it is an emergency ordinance, the ordinance shall state that an emergency exists and the circumstances and reasons for such emergency.

Prior to final passage, the ordinance or caption and summary thereof may be in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town, or in like manner the ordinance may be published after final passage, but such publication shall not be mandatory and ordinances duly passes shall be effective without publication.

A certified copy of the minutes, or portion of the minutes, showing the passage of the ordinance on final reading shall be full and sufficient evidence of the ordinance in all trials in any court of this state, the certificate to be made by the Recorder under the seal of the Town.