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## **MUNICIPAL CODE**

# A Code of the General Ordinances of the city of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas

**Date of Incorporation** 

**January 1, 2006** 

**Date of Codification** 

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# ORDINANCE NO. 01-2006

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A
NEW MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES OF
THE CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA,
ARKANSAS, ESTABLISHING THE SAME; PROVIDING
FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES NOT
INCLUDED THEREIN, EXCEPT AS HEREIN
EXPRESSLY PROVIDED; PROVIDING FOR THE
EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUCH CODE AND A PENALTY
FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR THE
MANNER OF AMENDING SUCH CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE
EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

# BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HELENA-WEST HELENA ARKANSAS:

Section 1. That the Code of Ordinances is hereby adopted and enacted as the "Helena-West Helena Municipal Code." Such code shall be treated and considered as a new and original comprehensive ordinance which shall supersede all other general and permanent ordinances passed by the City Council on or before January 1, 2006, to the extent provided in Section 2 hereof.

Section 2. That all provisions of such code shall be in full force and effect from and after the first day of January, 2006. All ordinances of a general and permanent nature not specifically included in such code are hereby repealed from and after the first day of January, 2006, except as herein provided. No resolution of the city, not specifically mentioned, is hereby repealed.

Section 3. That the repeal provided for in Section 2 hereof shall not affect any of the following:

- A. Any offense or act committed or done or any penalty or forfeiture incurred or any contract or right established or accruing before the effective date of such code;
- B. Any ordinance promising or guaranteeing the payment of money for the city or authorizing the issuance of any bonds of the city or any evidence of the city's indebtedness;
- C. Any contract or obligation assumed by the city;

- D. Any ordinance dedicating, naming, establishing, locating, relocating, opening, widening, paving, etc., any street or public way in the city;
- E. Any appropriation ordinance;
- F. Any ordinance which, by its own terms, is effective only for a stated or limited time;
- G. Any ordinance providing for local improvements and assessing taxes therefore;
- H. Any ordinance dedicating or accepting any subdivision plat; or
- I. Any ordinance enacted after January 1, 2006.

Section 4. That whenever in such code an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in such code the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful and no specific penalty is provided therefore, the violation of any such provision of such code shall be punishable as provided by Section 1.32.01 of such code.

Section 5. That any and all additions and amendments to such code, when passed in such form as to indicate the intention of the City Council to make the same a part thereof, shall be deemed to be incorporated in such code so that reference to the Helena-West Helena Municipal Code shall be understood and intended to include such additions and amendments.

Section 6. That in case of the amendment of any section of such code for which a penalty is not provided, the general penalty as provided in Section 1.32.01 of such code shall apply to the section as amended; or in case such amendment contains provisions for which a penalty other than the aforementioned general penalty is provided in another section in the same chapter, the penalty so provided in such other section shall be held to relate to the section so amended, unless such penalty is specifically repealed therein.

Section 7. That three copies of such code shall be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk preserved in looseleaf form or in such other form as the City Council may consider most expedient. It shall be the express duty of the City Clerk, or someone authorized by the City Clerk, to insert in their designated places all amendments or ordinances which indicate the intention of the City Council to make the same a part of such code when the same have been printed or reprinted in page form, and to extract from such code all provisions which may be from time to time repealed by the City Council. These copies of such code shall be available for all persons desiring to examine the same.

Section 8. That it shall be unlawful for any person to change or amend by additions or deletions any part or portion of such code, or to insert or delete pages or portions thereof, or to alter or tamper with such code in any manner whatsoever which will cause the law of the city of Helena-West Helena to be misinterpreted thereby. Any person violating this section shall be punished as provided in Section 4 of this ordinance.

Section 9. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 10. It is hereby found that the consolidation of the former cities of Helena, Arkansas, and West Helena, Arkansas, has created a potentially confusing and contradictory situation with regard to the new, consolidated city of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas, and its employees, officers, offices, and departments. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Approved and passed this 1st day of January, 2006.

Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Recorder/Treasurer

### ORDINANCE NO. % 2010

#### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2,20.05 AND 2,20.06 OF THE HELENA-WEST HELENA MUNICIPAL CODE AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Helena-West Helena desires to amend the procedure for placing items on the city council meeting agenda.

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

The above referenced sections currently read as follows: Section 1:.

2.20.05 Agenda required The Helena-West Helena City council shall establish the city council agenda. All matters, including, but not limited to, ordinances, resolutions, appointment to commissions and boards and any other matters to be brought before the City council must be specifically set out and identified by subject matter or in the event of appointments, the names of the individuals to be appointed must be specifically set out in an agenda of the meeting at which said subject matter is to be presented for vote.

2.20.06 Placement on agenda Request for matters to be on the agenda shall be transmitted to the City Clerk's office. Such request may be verbal or written and shall be transmitted to the City Clerk's office no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday preceding any council meeting. In addition, any matter requiring Council action as set out herein, will be placed on the agenda if proposed or introduced at the most recent regular and or special City Council meeting. These requirements are mandatory.

The following language shall be added in section 2.20.06. "The City Council by a Section 2. 2/3 vote of the majority of the whole number of alderman may vote to suspend the requirements of section 2.20.05 and 2.20.06 and deviate from the agenda to discuss and/or take action on any city business".

Severability Section 3:

If for any reason, any portion of this Ordinance be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall in no way effect the remaining portions thereof, which are valid. but valid, but such valid portions shall be and remain in full force and effect.

Section 4: Repealer

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5: Enactment

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED: Ames F. Valley, Mayor DATE 3/2/10

ATTESTED:

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the city of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas, is planning to adopt the Helena-West Helena Municipal Code for the city of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas.

Pursuant to A.C.A. §§14-55-207 & 14-55-701 three copies of the Helena West Helena Municipal Code are on file in the office of the Mayor for the inspection and view of anyone interested in this ordinance. This ordinance will be considered at the meeting of the City Council on January 1, 2006.

**MAYOR** 

#### PREFACE

The Helena-West Helena Municipal Code is a codification of the general ordinances of the city of Helena-West Helena, Arkansas.

The loose-leaf binder and numbering system have been designed to permit the code to be easily and efficiently kept up to date. We hope this will enable the municipal code to be of the greatest assistance to the citizens and municipal officials of the city of Helena-West Helena.

ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE CODE SERVICE

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