Ordinance No. 2491

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110 OF THE CITY OF WAYNESVILLE'S MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICES; FIXING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**WHEREAS,** the current language of the City's Municipal Code provides for the filling of vacancies and the election of certain positions within the City Council, by the City Council, such as Mayor Pro Tem; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to avoid confusion and provide each member the opportunity to be nominated for a position, certain procedures are needed to make the election process more orderly and efficient for the Mayor to conduct the election; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council finds that the procedures described in this ordinance are meritorious and therefore good for the Council and City of Waynesville.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAYNESVILLE, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** That Chapter 110 is hereby amended to include the following:

## Section 110.185: ELECTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL OFFICES OF THE CITY COUNCIL - PROCEDURE

- A. At the first regular meeting of the City Council after the annual election, the Council shall elect, from its members, Mayor Pro Tem.
- B. The Mayor shall ask for nominations from the City Council. Members are allowed to nominate themselves. Members are not required to make a motion to nominate a member.
- C. After the Mayor has received all nominations, he/she shall declare nominations closed. Members who are nominated may rise and decline the nomination once the Mayor calls for close.
- D. Once nominations are closed, the Mayor shall request the City Clerk call a roll-call vote.
- E. Each Council member shall announce his vote when called upon by the City Clerk. The City Clerk shall repeat the member's vote for accuracy. Votes may only be cast for those nominated.

- F. In the event of a tie vote, the City Clerk shall continue to roll-call until one nominee has the majority vote.
- G. All other offices that require an elective decision by the Council shall be conducted in the same manner as Mayor Pro Tem.

**SECTION 2.** Except to the extent amended by this ordinance, the provisions of Chapter 110 of the City's Municipal Code shall remain in full force and effect and the definitions and other provisions contained in that Chapter shall be applicable to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That this ordinance shall take full force and effect upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ON THIS 21st DAY OF October, 2021.

Dr. Jerry Brown Mayor

ATTEST:

Michele Brown, City Clerk