ORDINANCE NO. 2015-006

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF THOMPSON'S STATION, TENNESSEE, TO AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO CREATE A PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town to create a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to help manage, operate and maintain the Town's Parks and Parks & Recreation Programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town of Thompson's Station as follows:

Section 1. That Title 2 of the Municipal Code, Boards and Commissions, is hereby amended by added a new Section 2, as set forth below:

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

SECTION

- 2-201. Creation authority, purpose, and title.
- 2-202. Membership and terms.
- 2-203. Officers.
- 2-204. Function.
- 2-205. Administration.
- 2-206. Compensation and funding.
- 2-201. Creation authority, purpose, and title. Pursuant to Town of Thompson's Station Charter and Tennessee Code Annotated, § 11-24-102(b)(1), there is hereby created an advisory body, the Town of Thompson's Station Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (hereinafter as the "Parks Board"), for the purpose of providing the Board of Mayor and Aldermen with planning assistance and guidance as to the effective creation, operation, and maintenance of parks and recreation facilities and/or recreation programs of the Town. Except as specifically delegated in this chapter, the authority to fund, create, operate, and maintain parks and recreation facilities and to conduct recreation programs shall be retained by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

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2-202. Membership and terms. The membership of the Parks Board shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by and serving at the will and pleasure of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. One of the members of the Parks Board shall be an alderman of the Town. The Parks Board members shall serve a term of three (3) years before re-appointment consideration, except that the alderman appointment shall be re-considered after each municipal election. The mayor shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Parks Board during his or her respective term.

- **2-203. Officers.** The members of the Parks Board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman and such officers shall be appointed for the same term as their membership terms. Any vacancy in these offices shall be filled by the Parks Board for the remainder of such term.
- 2-204. Function. The Parks Board may provide guidance and/or advise the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and Town Staff on any matters related to the creation, operation, and maintenance of parks and recreation facilities and/or recreation programs of the Town. The Parks Board may adopt rules and regulations governing the use of parks and recreation facilities or programs. Town Staff shall be solely responsible for the enforcement of any such rules. In addition, subject to funds budgeted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and the Town's purchasing policies, the Parks Board may authorize expenditures for improvements to the Town's parks and recreation facilities and/or as may be necessary to attract and host events or programs at or in such facilities. The Parks Board shall not be responsible for the supervision of Town staff, the hiring, dismissal or discipline of employees, or the expenditure of public funds.
- **2-205. Administration.** The Parks Board shall adopt by-laws as needed to conduct its business and shall adopt a regular meeting schedule in coordination with Town Staff. All Parks Board meetings shall be advertised and open to the public in accordance with the Tennessee Open Meetings law. Minutes shall be recorded for each meeting.
- **2-206.** Compensation and funding. All members of the Parks Board shall serve without pay. Incidental funding for operations of the Parks Board may be provided by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in the Town's annual Budget.
- Section 2. All Prior Conflicting Ordinances Repealed; Interpretation. That upon the effective date of this ordinance, all prior ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith be repealed. In case of conflict between this ordinance or any part hereof, and the whole or part of any existing ordinance of the City, the provision that establishes the higher standard shall be controlling.
- **Section 3. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance.
- **Section 4. Effective date.** This ordinance shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town after final reading, the public welfare requiring.

Duly approved and adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Thompson's Station, Tennessee.

Corey Napier, Mayor

ATTEST:

Chandra Broughton, Town Recorder

Passed First Reading:

may 12, 2015

Passed Second Reading:

June 9, 2015

Submitted to Public Hearing on the 9th day of June 2015, at 7:00 p.m., after being advertised in the Williamson AM Newspaper on the 31st day of may, 2015.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Todd Moore, Town Attorney