

ORDINANCE #W-1-93

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A CITY PLANNING COMMISSION;
SETTING TERMS OF MEMBERS; ELECTION OF OFFICERS;
RULES; EMPLOYMENT OF ASSISTANCE; EXPENDITURES;
POWERS AND DUTIES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF WARD, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a Planning Commission to consist of seven (7) members, at least two-thirds (2/3) of said Commission shall not hold any other elective or appointive municipal office. The members shall be nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

SECTION 2. The original members of the Planning Commission shall be appointed, by the Mayor, to a term of one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), or five (5) years. When the term of any member shall expire, the Mayor shall make a nomination to fill the vacancy for a period of five (5) years. When a vacancy shall otherwise occur, the Mayor shall nominate a person to serve the remainder of the term.

SECTION 3. At a time and place to be designated by the Mayor, the Planning Commission shall meet and organize by electing from its members a chairman, vice-chairman, and a secretary.

SECTION 4. The Planning Commission shall make and adopt such rules and regulations to govern its proceedings, which shall provide for a regular meeting date at least once each three (3) months and more often if prescribed by the Commission.

SECTION 5. The Planning Commission is authorized to employ such assistance as is deemed necessary in carrying out its duties and responsibilities. It cannot expend or encumber city funds without prior appropriation by the City Council.

SECTION 6. The Commission is vested with all the powers and duties prescribed and set forth in Arkansas Statutes, Sections 19-2825 - 19-2833.

SECTION 7. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections of this ordinance are severable and if any section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgement or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining sections.

SECTION 9. Whereas, the citizens of Ward are in desperate need of adequate city planning, an emergency is hereby declared and this ordinance being necessary for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVED:

Harry Phillips

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Joseph A. Feltnes

DATE:

February 16, 1993