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CHAPTER 1

MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

SECTION

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2-101. Created and composition. There is hereby created and established a Municipal Airport Authority for the City of Cleveland, Tennessee, consisting of five commissioners of the authority, appointed by the City Council of Cleveland, Tennessee (1981 Code, § 3-16, as replaced by Ord. #2004-36, Sept. 2004)

2-102. Appointment of members; terms; vacancies. The city council shall appoint and approve the commissioners of the municipal airport authority as provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 42-3-101 et seq., and otherwise, as provided by the laws of the State of Tennessee. The commissioners who are first appointed shall be designated to serve for terms of one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) and five (5) years, respectively. Thereafter, each commissioner shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years. Vacancies occurring otherwise than by the expiration of terms shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. (1981 Code, § 3-17, as replaced by Ord. #2004-36, Sept. 2004)

Municipal code reference
Airport zoning regulations: title 14.
State law reference
2-103. **Oath of office.** The commissioners of the municipal airport authority shall, as provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 42-3-103, present to the Tennessee Secretary of State an application signed, subscribed and sworn to by each of said commissioners before an officer authorized by the laws of the State of Tennessee, to take and certify oaths, who shall certify upon the application that such officer personally knows the commissioners, and knows them to be the officers as appointed in the application and that each subscribed and swore thereto in the officer's presence, which will be set forth (without any detail other than mere recital) the following:

1. The Cleveland City Council, by ordinance or resolution, created a municipal airport authority and thereafter appointed them as commissioners;
2. The name and official residence of each of the commissioners, together with a certified copy of the appointment evidencing their right to office, the date and place of induction into, and taking oath of office, and that they desire the municipal airport authority to become a public body corporate and politic under this chapter;
3. The term of office of each of the commissioners;
4. The name which is proposed for the corporation; and
5. The location of the principal office of the proposed corporation.

(1981 Code, § 3-18, as replaced by Ord. #2004-36, Sept. 2004)

2-104. **Authority.** The municipal airport authority is hereby vested with all authority to control and regulate any and all operations of any municipal airport located in the corporate jurisdiction of the City of Cleveland, Tennessee, as provided by the laws of the State of Tennessee, and in accordance with the rules adopted by the city council and/or duly created and established by the municipal airport authority. (as added by Ord. #2004-36, Sept. 2004)
CHAPTER 2

ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY BOARD

SECTION
2-201. Created.
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2-201. Created. There is hereby created an animal shelter advisory board for the City of Cleveland, Tennessee, to be designated as the "animal shelter advisory board." (1981 Code, § 5-101, modified)

2-202. Membership.  The animal shelter advisory board shall consist of seven (7) members, no more than two (2) of which shall be veterinarians. The seven (7) members shall hold office for the term as follows: Two (2) for three (3) years; three (3) for two (2) years; two (2) for one (1) year, and shall be appointed by the city council for such terms. Thereafter, such members shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years or until their successors are appointed; however, any members may be removed for cause at any time by the city council. The animal shelter advisory board shall serve without compensation. (1981 Code, § 5-102, as amended by Ord. #2003-35, Dec. 2003)

2-203. Duties and responsibilities. The animal shelter advisory board shall be responsible for advising the city manager and city council in the formulating of written policies and procedures necessary for the operation of the Cleveland Animal Shelter. (1981 Code, § 5-103, modified)

1Ordinance 2013-36 which passed second reading July 2013, provides that the membership of the animal shelter advisory board be reduced from seven (7) members to five (5) members during any period of time when a contract for animal control services does not exist between the City of Cleveland and Bradley County.
CHAPTER 3

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

SECTION

2-301. Definitions. As used in this chapter the following words shall have the meanings ascribed thereto:

1. "Board" shall mean the board of public utilities of the City of Cleveland, Tennessee.

2. "Member" shall mean an individual member of such board.

3. "City council" shall mean the governing body of the City of Cleveland, Tennessee.

4. "System" shall mean the electric distribution system, the water system and the sewer system of the City of Cleveland, Tennessee.


6. "Person" shall mean either male or female and reference to the male gender herein shall include the female gender. (1981 Code, § 23-171, modified)

2-302. Creation and membership. The board of public utilities as hereby created shall consist of five (5) members. No person shall be eligible to be a member of the board unless he shall be a property holder and resident of the City of Cleveland and shall have resided for at least one (1) year prior to his appointment, and shall be at least twenty-five (25) years of age. No regular compensated officer or employee of the City of Cleveland shall be eligible for appointment until at least one (1) year after the expiration of the term of his public office, except that one (1) member of the board shall be chosen as hereinafter provided from the city council.

The four (4) appointed members of the board shall be appointed so that the term of one (1) member shall expire on July 1 of each year. All except initial
appointees and those appointed to serve unexpired terms shall serve four-year terms.

The fifth member of the board shall be the mayor or council member of the City of Cleveland who is named and designated by the city council. His tenure on said board shall be confined to his tenure of office as mayor or councilman.

Vacancies on the board shall be filled for the unexpired term only. New members, either for the purpose of filling a vacancy or for a full term, shall be selected and appointed by the city council. Each member shall hold his office until his successor is appointed and qualified. (1981 Code, § 23-172, modified)

2-303. Meetings and organization. (1) The board shall within ten (10) days after its selection nominate and elect a chairman who shall preside over its meetings and a vice-chairman who shall preside in the absence or disability of the chairman. The board shall also select a secretary and treasurer or it may select one person to hold both offices who shall be designated as secretary-treasurer. This office may be held by one of the members or some competent person who is not a member of the board. If a member, he shall receive no additional salary for such service; however, the board may provide for the payment of a reasonable salary for the secretary and treasurer or secretary-treasurer if such officer is not a member of the board nor a member of the city council of the City of Cleveland. Said officer shall be selected upon his merits and ability to perform the work required, and shall hold office at the will of the board subject to the provisions hereof.

(2) A new election of officers of the board shall be held at the first regular meeting of the board held following the appointment of a new member for a full term. However, officers once elected shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified or until they cease to be members.

(3) The board shall have the right to adopt bylaws, rules and regulations not inconsistent herewith and not inconsistent with the laws of the land, the Charter and ordinances of the City of Cleveland, or the duly authorized and executed contracts of the City of Cleveland or the board. The board may provide for the time, place and manner of holding its regular and special meetings, and all such meetings shall be public and no action shall be taken except by a majority of the board. Three (3) members of the board shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day. The secretary-treasurer and general manager herein provided for shall attend all meetings of the board and shall have a seat, and voice, but no vote, in such meetings unless the secretary-treasurer is also a member of the board. Actions of the board may be made by motion or resolution on single readings effective immediately. (1981 Code, § 23-173, modified)
2-304. **Powers and duties; appointment of general manager.**

(1) The board shall employ a competent and well qualified man to serve as general manager of the system who shall have sufficient training and experience to enable him to operate said system efficiently and economically, and whose salary shall be fixed by the board. He shall be employed for such length of time as the board may desire, not to exceed four (4) years at one time, but he may be re-elected from time to time at the expiration of his term of office. He may sooner be discharged at any regular meeting of the board for incompetency, for default in office, failure to perform the duties of his office, failure to comply with the rules and regulations of the board or for any malfeasance or misfeasance in office. However, no employee of the board shall be discharged because of political affiliations, and no person who is a member of an immediate family of any member of the board, either by blood or marriage, shall be employed by said board. It shall be the duty of the members of said board and the employees thereof to operate the system in a manner most consistent with sound economy and to public advantage, and to carry out the duties of their respective office without political or personal favor and without discrimination.

(2) The board shall have the power to select, employ and fix the salaries of officers and employees of the system, but may delegate this power to the general manager of the system except for the fixing of salaries of the general manager and the secretary-treasurer.

(3) Said board shall have full charge of operating, equipping, maintaining, extending and servicing said system, of making disbursements of its funds in accordance with law and ordinances and contracts made and entered into by the city, and of collecting all moneys due the system. It shall keep all necessary and proper books and records of said funds, and of all records and accounts of the system, and shall keep its funds in special bank account or accounts kept for that purpose. It shall have them audited annually, and shall have them always available for inspection by the duly authorized representatives of the city. Said board shall require a fidelity bond with a corporate surety from all officers or persons charged with the handling and safekeeping of any of its funds. The cost of auditing, the cost of surety bonds and other expenses required by this chapter which are necessary to the operating of the system or the performance of the duties of the board shall be paid by said board and shall be paid out of revenues collected by and from the system. All disbursements made by the board shall be first approved by a majority of the board.

(4) Said board shall have the right to extend or enlarge said system, the right to contract and to be contracted with, the right to exercise the rights of eminent domain, in the name of the City of Cleveland, by and with the consent of the city council, the right to institute suit and defend suits brought against it, the right to employ counsel, and in general to do all acts and things necessary for the operation and maintenance of the system.
(5) Said board shall be required to give full effect to the contracts with the Tennessee Valley Authority, and others, with reference to the acquisition and purchase of the distribution system, as well as the power contract between the Tennessee Valley Authority and the City of Cleveland; shall collect all bills when due and shall neither donate electric power or energy, water or sewer service nor make any deviations from the established price thereof to any user of electricity, water or sewer service. In order to comply with the provisions of this subsection said board shall rigidly enforce the collection of bills for electric, water and sewer service and shall, within the time prescribed by its rules and regulations, discontinue the electric, water or sewer service for the nonpayment of bills.

(6) Said board shall be subject to the advice, direction and supervision of the city council, and the electric, water and sewer systems are under the ultimate control of the city council acting by and through the utility board.

(7) The board shall fix rates to be charged for services rendered by the system, which rates shall be fair, reasonable and uniform for all customers within the same class and different rate schedules may be applied to different classes of customers, as determined by the board. Rates within the city may be less, but not greater than rates for the same service outside the city. The rates for electric service shall be fixed in conformity with the resale rates that the city is required to charge by the city's contractual obligations with the Tennessee Valley Authority, either under the existing contractual rate or under the rates as may be revised pursuant to said contract. (1981 Code, § 23-174, modified)

2-305. Contracts, leases and agreements. The board may, in the operation of the system by itself or by its duly authorized officers and employees, execute deeds and enter into leases, contracts and agreements, provided their terms of such leases, deeds, contracts and agreements, shall not conflict with the provisions of this chapter and shall be limited to a period of time, which will expire on or before twenty (20) years from the date thereof; provided, however, that longer term contracts may be made by and with the written authorization of the city council. All contracts whereby the system agrees to supply electric service for a longer period than one (1) year from the execution of such contracts shall be subject to the condition that the rates at which such service is to be provided after the expiration of one (1) year from the date of the contract, shall conform to the rates being charged other customers for similar service. The time limit prescribed in this paragraph for the duration of contracts and agreements shall not apply to bond issues. The authority given the board by this section shall not be construed to give the board authority to sell or lease all or a major portion of this system unless the transaction is duly approved by the city council, in conformity with the bond resolution, being an ordinance which shall not be passed as an emergency ordinance. (1981 Code, § 23-175, modified)
2-306. **Reports to the city council.** It shall be the duty of the board to make semi-annual reports to the city council of the City of Cleveland showing in detail the financial condition of the system, together with a complete operating statement thereof for the period preceding, and shall furnish any other information relative to said system, as may be required by the city council. Said reports shall be kept on file at the city clerk's office and open to inspection at all reasonable hours to taxpayers and the users of electricity, water or sewer service within the system, as well as to their agents and attorneys. (1981 Code, § 23-176, modified)

2-307. **Annual budget.** The board shall prepare and adopt an annual budget for the system which budget shall be approved by the city council before the budget becomes effective. (1981 Code, § 23-177, modified)

2-308. **Compensation.** Members of the board shall receive no salary for their services, but shall be required to meet at least once each month in regular meeting. They shall each be entitled to receive a fee of two hundred dollars ($200.00) for each meeting actually attended, either regular or special; but not to exceed twenty four hundred dollars ($2,400.00) total attendance compensation per annum per member. All members of the board shall receive an additional allowance not to exceed twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per month for the water system and twenty-five dollars ($25.00) per month for the wastewater system for attendance at meetings for each of these additional utilities but not to exceed a total of six hundred dollars ($600.00) per annum per member for these two additional utilities. But this limitation in payment of attendance fees shall in no way affect the number of meetings which the board may hold in any one (1) month. In addition to said allowance for attendance, board members shall be paid for their actual and necessary traveling expenses, if any, in the performance of the duties of their office. (1981 Code, § 23-178, as amended by Ord. of 8/23/99)

2-309. **Removal of board members.** Any member of the board may be removed for cause in the manner provided by the General Ouster Law of the State of Tennessee. The city council of the City of Cleveland may by an affirmative vote of the majority of the entire city council remove any member of the board of public utilities for misfeasance or malfeasance, or any other sufficient and just cause, not inconsistent with the provisions hereof, after due trial before the city council following ten (10) days' notice in writing of the specific charges against him. (1981 Code, § 23-179, modified)

2-310. **Board to have jurisdiction over waterworks and sewerage works.** All jurisdiction over the municipal waterworks and sewerage works now vested in the city council is hereby transferred to and conferred upon the board of public utilities. The board shall keep separate accounts for the electric
plant and each works, making due and proper allocation of all joint expenses, revenues, and property valuations.  (1981 Code, § 23-180, modified)

2-311. **Board to assume debts and obligations of waterworks and sewerage works and to pay tax equivalents to the city.** The board of public utilities shall assume responsibility for meeting all debts and obligations of the waterworks and sewerage works. Further, the board shall pay to the municipal general fund from the electric system each year a tax equivalent payment covering the properties and operations of the electric works. This payment shall be in addition to any debt service required to meet the bonded indebtedness of the utilities and shall be in an amount determined by the city council at the time of adoption of the annual budget. (1981 Code, § 23-181, modified)
CHAPTER 4

PARK ADVISORY BOARD

SECTION
2-401. Established; membership; terms.

2-401. **Established; membership; terms.** There is hereby established a Park Advisory Board for the City of Cleveland, Tennessee, which shall consist of seven (7) persons to be appointed by the city council to serve for terms of three (3) years or until their successors are appointed, except that the members of the board first appointed shall be appointed for such terms that the term of one member shall expire annually. The members of said board shall serve without pay. Vacancies in said board occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by the city council. The board shall have all those powers and duties set forth in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 11-24-10. The park advisory board shall not be responsible for the supervision of staff, the hiring or dismissal of staff, the expenditure of public funds, or enforcement of rules and regulations governing parks and recreation facilities or programs. However, the park advisory board may make recommendations to the city council, the city manager, and the parks and recreation director on any matter pertaining to the improvement, growth, operation, and expansion of the parks and recreation programs operated by the City of Cleveland. (as replaced by Ord. #2006-2, Jan. 2006)
CHAPTER 5

JOHNSTON PARK ADVISORY BOARD

SECTION

2-501. Established; membership; terms.

2-501. Established; membership; terms. There is hereby established a park advisory board for the City of Cleveland, Tennessee, which shall consist of eight persons to be appointed by the city council to serve for terms of three (3) years or until their successors are appointed, except that the members of the board first appointed shall be appointed for such terms that the term of one member shall expire annually. The members of said board shall serve without pay. Vacancies in said board occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by the city council. The function of the Johnston Park Advisory Board shall be to counsel and advise the recreation director of improvements needed for the park.
CHAPTER 6

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT FOR ALL BOARDS
AND COMMISSIONS

SECTION

2-601. Attendance requirement for all boards and commissions appointed by the mayor or city council.

2-601. Attendance requirement for all boards and commissions appointed by the mayor or city council. (1) Intent and purpose; applicability. It is the intent of the city council and the mayor that the appointed members of all boards and commissions attend meetings as much as possible in order to contribute effectively. However, it is also recognized that appointed members may miss meetings from time to time due to various reasons.

The purpose of this section is to provide for attendance requirements for members of all boards and commissions appointed by either the city council or the mayor.

This section is intended to be applicable to all boards and commissions whose members are appointed by either the mayor or the city council. It is recognized that the members of some boards and commissions are appointed by the city council, and the members of some boards and commissions are appointed by the mayor.

It is also recognized that the mayor has certain statutory authority over the appointment and removal of members of the planning commission, and to the extent that there is any conflict between any state statutory provisions relating to the planning commission and this section, the provisions of state law will take precedence and control.

(2) General rule applicable to members of all boards and committees. The appointed term of any member who fails to comply with the applicable attendance requirements set forth herein shall automatically expire and the member shall then be replaced with another appointee, unless the member is re-appointed in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3).

(3) Effect of removal; reappointment of removed members. As a general rule, any member whose term expires due to lack of compliance with the applicable attendance requirements for that board or commission shall not be eligible for reappointment to said board or commission for at least one (1) year.

However, if a board member's term expires due to lack of attendance caused by personal health reasons or other exceptional circumstances, the member may be eligible for reappointment without waiting a full year. However, to be eligible for reappointment without waiting a full year, the member must petition the mayor or the city council in writing for reinstatement as a member of said board or commission. The petition for reinstatement shall be addressed
to the mayor if the mayor is responsible for making the appointment. The petition for reinstatement shall be addressed to the city council if the city council is responsible for making the appointment.

In the written petition, the member must demonstrate to the mayor or the city council that the member's failure to comply with the applicable attendance requirements was due to personal health reasons or other exceptional circumstances, and that the member's health has improved or the other exceptional circumstances have been resolved and that the member will be able to meet the applicable attendance requirements if they are re-appointed.

Upon receipt of the member's written petition, the mayor or the city council may re-appoint the member without waiting a full year if the mayor or the city council determine, in the exercise of their discretion, that the member's failure to meet the applicable attendance requirements was due to personal health reasons or other exceptional circumstances and that the member will likely be able to meet the applicable attendance requirements if they are re-appointed.

Neither the mayor nor the city council are under any obligation to re-appoint any member who is removed for failing to meet the applicable attendance requirements.

(4) Attendance requirements for boards and commissions that hold regular monthly meetings. Any member who misses one-half (1/2) of all regularly scheduled monthly meetings within any six (6) month period (January through June, or July through December) of a calendar year shall be removed and their term shall automatically expire.

(5) Attendance requirements for boards and commissions that hold regular meetings less than monthly (boards and commissions that hold regular meetings every other month, or quarterly, or semi-annually). Any member who misses two (2) consecutive regular meetings within one (1) calendar year (January through December) shall be removed and their term shall automatically expire.

(6) Boards and commissions that do not hold regular meetings but meet on an as needed basis. Any member who misses two (2) consecutive meetings within one (1) calendar year (January through December) shall be removed and their term shall automatically expire. (as added by Ord. of 11/25/96; and replaced by Ord. #2007-39, Nov. 2007, Ord. #2007-45, Nov. 2007, and Ord. #2009-06, Feb. 2009)
CHAPTER 7

LEONARD FLETCHER PARK ADVISORY BOARD

SECTION
2-701. Purpose.
2-702. Created.
2-703. Powers.

2-701. Purpose. The late Leonard and Agnes Fletcher gave land known as Leonard Fletcher Park to the City of Cleveland for public outdoor recreation, education and scenic enjoyment. The land is intended to be kept insofar as possible in its natural state with only minimal improvements necessary to enable the public to enjoy the use of the property. The city council wishes to establish a Leonard Fletcher Park Advisory Board to make recommendations to the city council and the city manager concerning the Leonard Fletcher Park consistent with and in accordance with the wishes of the late Leonard and Agnes Fletcher. (as added by Ord. #2006-3, Jan. 2006)

2-702. Created. The Leonard Fletcher Park Advisory Board is hereby established to be composed of seven (7) members. Six (6) members of this board shall be appointed by the city council. The chairperson of the city parks advisory board or his or her designee shall serve as the seventh member of this advisory board.

The terms of the initial six (6) members appointed shall be as follows:
(1) Two (2) of the original six (6) members shall be appointed and serve until December 31, 2009.
(2) Two (2) of the original six (6) members shall be appointed and serve until December 31, 2010.
(3) Two (2) of the original six (6) members shall be appointed and serve until December 31, 2011.
(4) The term of any member appointed after the original six (6) members shall be three (3) years from the date of appointment.

All members shall serve without compensation. The Leonard Fletcher Park Advisory Board shall elect annually from among its membership a chairperson to preside over meetings of the Leonard Fletcher Advisory Board. The board shall meet at least twice a year and on such other occasions as the board deems necessary. (as added by Ord. #2006-3, Jan. 2006)

2-703. Powers. The Leonard Fletcher Park Advisory Board is vested with the authority and responsibility to:
(1) Establish bylaws and procedural rules for the Leonard Fletcher Park Advisory Board;
(2) Prepare a master plan which includes recommendations to the city council for the development of Leonard Fletcher Park;
(3) Review and plans for development of Leonard Fletcher Park and make recommendations to the city council pertaining to the development of Leonard Fletcher Park; and
(4) Make recommendations to the city manager and/or the parks and recreation director on any matter pertaining to the development or operation of Leonard Fletcher Park. (as added by Ord. #2006-3, Jan. 2006)