

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON ("CITY"), LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE VI, BOARDS, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEES, DIVISION 4 LEBANON TOURISM AND MARKETING COMMITTEE BY REPEALING SECTIONS 2-297 THROUGH 2-298 AND ENACTING THREE NEW SECTIONS TO CHAPTER 24 TAXATION, ARTICLE VIII LODGING TAX.

WHEREAS, that the City of Lebanon levies a lodging tax for the purpose of funding convention and tourism related promotional activities; *and*

WHEREAS, that to better represent the tourism community the advisory committee has recommended an expansion of its membership; *and*

WHEREAS, that to better demonstrate the advisory committee's relationship to the lodging tax it is advisable to enact the recommended changes to Chapter 24 Taxation, Article VIII Lodging Tax; *and*

WHEREAS, that an amendment of the Said Section of the City Code of Ordinances was introduced to Council for approval by Council Bill No. 3848 at the July 8, 2013 Council Meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the City Council of The City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, Hereby amends The Code of Laws of The City of Lebanon, Missouri Code of Laws Chapter 2 Administration, Article VI Boards, Commissions and Committees, Division 4 Lebanon Tourism and Marketing Advisory Committee by repealing sections 2-297 and 2-298 and enacting three new sections to Chapter 24 Taxation, Article VIII Lodging Tax to read as follows;

"Sec. 24-188. Established.

An advisory committee is hereby established to advise the Director of Tourism and governing body and make recommendations regarding lodging tax as enacted in Chapter 24, Article VIII, Section 24-182 of the Code of Ordinances and other tourism revenues which may be generated, tourism and marketing committee membership, programs and expenditures for promotion of convention and tourism related activities, which shall be known as the Lebanon Tourism and Marketing Advisory Committee.

Sec. 24-189. Appointment: term of office, removal from office.

(a) The advisory committee shall consist of nine (9) members who shall be appointed by the mayor and approved by a majority of the members of city council. The members shall consist of a community leader or a representative of a business in the City of Lebanon, one from each sector: an hotelier, a retailer, a restaurateur, an operator from the Bennett Spring area, a Route 66 Society member, a member of the City Council, two at-large representatives residing in the City of Lebanon with working tourism/marketing knowledge, and a citizen at-large from within Laclede County, not within the incorporated limits of the City, with working tourism/marketing knowledge. The mayor shall appoint an alternate council member for a term no longer than one (1) year. The alternate council member shall only participate and vote in the event the regular council member is absent. The City Administrator, the President of the Lebanon

Regional Economic Development Incorporated and the Executive Director of the Lebanon Area Chamber of Commerce will sit on the committee as non-voting members.

(b) Members of the advisory committee shall serve without pay and shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The mayor, with the approval of a majority of the city council, may remove a committee member from the committee at will, and such committee member may also be removed by a three-fourths vote of the city council independently of the mayor's approval or disapproval. Failure to attend three consecutive meetings shall constitute grounds for dismissal.

(c) The term of office of all regular members shall be for a two (2) year period. The governing body shall provide for the appointments and two-year terms of service for such members. Terms of members shall be staggered so that no more than three members are appointed in any one year. Any vacancies in the membership of the committee shall be filled by the appointment of a new member to fill the unexpired term of the member whose office is vacant.

Sec. 24-190. Organization - Powers.

(a) The advisory committee shall meet and organize by electing one of their members as president and any other officers as deemed necessary. Meetings of the committee shall be at the call of the President or the Director of Tourism. The advisory committee shall set their annual meeting schedule. All meetings of the advisory committee shall be open to the public. Any decisions of the advisory committee shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the advisory committee.

(b) It is the duty of the advisory committee to prepare a proposed budget to present to the City Administrator for consideration, on or by the 31st day of May. The committee shall not bind the City of Lebanon or its agents to any contract, agreement or any other obligation. The advisory committee shall not have the authority to supervise nor direct any employee, agent or vendor of the City of Lebanon.

(c) An annual report should be presented to the city council, on or before the 30st day of June. Nothing shall prohibit the city council from calling upon the advisory committee for a report at any time the city council deems it advisable to make a report, and when so called upon, it shall be the duty of the president of the advisory committee or the Director of Tourism to make the report as required."

SECTION 2: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of passage and approval.

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri, on this 22nd day of July, 2013.

(Seal)
Attest:

Laina Starnes
City Clerk Laina Starnes

Lyle Anderson
Mayor Lyle Anderson

1st Reading: July 8, 2013
2nd Reading: July 22, 2013