AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12-COURTS AND JAILS, ARTICLE 1-IN GENERAL , SECTION 12-6 AND CHAPTER 42-TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLES, ARTICLE XVIII-TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS BUREAU, SECTION 42-548 THROUGH SECTION 42-551 OF THE RAYTOWN MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, it is necessary from time to time to amend the Raytown Municipal Code;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYTOWN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1 – AMENDMENT. Chapter 12-Courts and Jails, Article 1-In General, Section 12-6 and Chapter 42-Traffic and Motor Vehicles, Article XVIII-Traffic Violations Bureau, Section 42-548 through Section 42-551, as attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to the Raytown Municipal Code.

SECTION 2 – REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3 – SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. The provisions of this ordinance are severable and if any provision hereof is declared invalid, unconstitutional or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 4 – EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

BE IT REMEMBERED that the above was read two times by heading only, **PASSED and ADOPTED** by a majority of the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Raytown, Jackson County, Missouri, this 16th day of January, 2024.

	Michael McDonough, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Teresa M. Henry, City Clerk	
	Approved as to Form:
	Jennifer M. Baird, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 12 COURTS AND JAILS ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 12-6. Traffic violations bureau.

- (a) A traffic violations bureau has heretofore been may be established by the municipal judge.
- (b) A traffic violations bureau is to be maintained as a function of the municipal court division.

(Code 1969, § 18-8; Ord. No. 1825-78, § 1, 12-19-1978)

Chapter 42 TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLES ARTICLE XVIII. TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS BUREAU

Sec. 42-548. When the person charged may elect to appear at bureau or before municipal court division.

- (a) Any person charged with an offense for which payment of a fine may be made to the traffic violations bureau shall may have the option of paying such fine within the time specified in the notice of arrest at the traffic violations bureau upon entering a plea of guilty and upon waiving appearance in court; or may have the option of depositing required lawful bail, and upon a plea of not guilty shall be entitled to a trial as authorized by law.
- (b) The payment of a fine to the bureau shall be deemed an acknowledgment of conviction of the alleged offense, and the bureau, upon accepting the prescribed fine, shall issue a receipt to the violator acknowledging payment thereof.

(Code 1969, § 23-230; Ord. No. 2364-82, § 56, 3-2-1982)

Sec. 42-549. Duties of traffic violations bureau.

The following duties are hereby imposed upon the traffic violations bureau in reference to traffic offenses:

- (1) It **shall may** accept designated fines, issue receipts, and represent in court such violators as are permitted and desire to plead guilty, waive court appearance, and give power of attorney;
- (2) It shall receive and issue receipts for cash bail from the persons who must or wish to be heard in court, enter the time of their appearance on the court docket, and notify the arresting officer and witnesses, if any, to be present.

(Code 1969, § 23-231; Ord. No. 2364-82, § 56, 3-2-1982)

Sec. 42-550. Traffic violations bureau to keep records.

The traffic violations bureau **shall may** keep records and submit to the judges hearing violations of municipal ordinances summarized monthly reports of all notices issued and arrests made for violations of the traffic laws and ordinances in the city and of all the fines collected by the traffic violations bureau or the court, and of the final disposition or present status of every case of violation of the provisions of said laws and ordinances. Such records shall be so maintained as to show all types of violations and the totals of each. Said records shall be public records.

(Code 1969, § 23-232; Ord. No. 2364-82, § 56, 3-2-1982)

Sec. 42-551. Additional duties of traffic violations bureau.

The traffic violations bureau **shall may** follow such procedure as may be prescribed by the traffic ordinances of the city or as may be required by any laws of this state.

(Code 1969, § 23-233; Ord. No. 2364-82, § 56, 3-2-1982)

Secs. 42-552—42-580. Reserved.