



City of Gahanna

200 South Hamilton
Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Signature

Ordinance: ORD-0046-2016

File Number: ORD-0046-2016

TO AMEND PART ONE, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHAPTER 143, DEPARTMENT OF LAW, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA.

WHEREAS, the Department of Law has recommended the amendment of Part One of the Administrative Code Chapter 143, Department of Law, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Gahanna in order to fulfill its commitment to implement the GoForward Gahanna strategic plan; and

WHEREAS, the amendment of Chapter 143 supports Gahanna's Mission to ensure an exceptional quality of life by providing comprehensive services, financial stability, and well-planned development which preserves the natural environment, in order that city government will continue to be responsive, accessible, and accountable to our diverse and growing community of citizens; and

WHEREAS, the revisions ensure a responsive, customer-focused government culture for residents, neighborhoods, and the business community by having an updated City code, which will be scheduled for review every 3 years; and

WHEREAS, the amendment addresses code consistency and updates various parts of the chapter to better reflect the new daily operations and management changes in the Department of Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Part One, Administrative Code Chapter 143, Department of Law, is hereby amended as set forth in EXHIBIT A, attached hereto and made a part herein.

Section 2. That existing Part One, Administrative Code Chapter 143, Department of Law, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Gahanna, or any Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage by this Council and 30 days after date of signature of approval by the Mayor.

At a meeting of the City Council on 6/6/2016, a motion was made by Jamie Leeseberg, seconded by Michael Schnetzer, that this Ordinance be Adopted. The motion passed.

Yes: 7 Angelou, Leeseberg, Renner, Schnetzer, Larick, Metzbower and McGregor

CHAPTER 143
Department of Law

143.01 Duties.

143.02 Responsibilities not limited by chapter.

143.03 -Full-time position.

143.04 Compensation.

143.05 Assistants and Special counsel.

CROSS REFERENCES

Appointment of City Attorney - see CHTR. Art. X, Sec. 10.01

Qualifications of City Attorney - see CHTR. Art. X, Sec. 10.02

Duties of City Attorney - see CHTR. Art. X, Sec. 10.03

143.01 DUTIES.

(a) The City Attorney will perform all acts necessary to accommodate the City in the performance of its functions as a Charter City and will perform such other duties consistent with powers of the City Attorney, which are prescribed by Charter, Council or Ordinances of the City.

(b) The City Attorney will provide advice and legal representation to the City and all elected and appointed officials and employees of the City, in their official capacities, in any litigation in which the City and/or elected and appointed officials and employees, in their official capacities, are parties.

(c) The City Attorney will be available at all times to advise elected and appointed officials of the City regarding official matters. The City Attorney or assistant will attend all regular and special Council meetings and all sessions of Mayor's Court. The City Attorney or assistant will, upon request, attend meetings of the Boards or Commissions and meetings of Council Committees.

(d) The City Attorney will prepare all contracts, bonds and other instruments in which the City is concerned; render opinions to City officials pertaining to City business, provided such requests are reduced to and submitted in writing; and prepare, assist in preparation of, or review all ordinances, resolutions and other legal documents pertaining to the business of the City.

143.02 RESPONSIBILITIES NOT LIMITED BY CHAPTER.

The responsibilities conferred by this chapter are in addition to any other duties and responsibilities conferred by Federal law, State statute or Municipal ordinance, and nothing in this chapter shall be construed to modify or limit such authority, powers, duties and responsibilities of any officer or public official as may be provided by law.

(Ord. 57-83. Passed 8-2-83.)

143.03 FULL-TIME POSITION.

(a) Council hereby determines that the position of the City Attorney shall be a full-time position commencing January 1, 2020.

143.04 COMPENSATION.

Effective January 2, 2012, the salary for the City Attorney will be sixty five thousand five hundred sixty three dollars (\$65,563) per annum, payable at the regular pay periods, together with payment by the City to the public Employees Retirement System for the benefit of the office holder as prescribed by law. It is further stated herein that compensation means salary; and other items, such as staffing, office space, and/or hospitalization, if any, will be determined at a later time by Council.

143.05 ASSISTANTS AND SPECIAL COUNSEL.

(a) The City Attorney is authorized to appoint assistants and special counsel who will perform such duties as directed by the City Attorney.

(b) Compensation for such assistants and special counsel will be paid from money appropriated by Council.