ORDINANCE NO. BG2020 - 15

ORDINANCE AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CITY OF BOWLING GREEN CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REPEAL SUBCHAPTER 2-23 OF BOWLING GREEN-WARREN COUNTY MILITARY LIAISON BOARD AND ESTABLISH THE CITY OF BOWLING GREEN CONVENTION CENTER COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Bowling Green-Warren County Military Liaison Board members decided to reorganize and dissolve as a City established Board; and,

WHEREAS, at the time the Sloan Convention Center was constructed the City of Bowling Green was unable to issue general obligation bonds; and,

WHEREAS, to be able to issue the bonds necessary to fund the construction of the Sloan Convention Center, the City in 1988 created the Tourism and Economic Development Council, Inc., a Kentucky non-profit corporation to issue bonds with the Convention Center being leased to the City with the lease payments being the debt on those bonds; and,

WHEREAS, the name of the corporation was changed later to The Convention Center Corporation; and,

WHEREAS, those bonds have now been paid and the bond documents specified that upon payment, the corporation would be dissolved and its assets conveyed to the City; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the City to replace the dissolved corporation with a committee composed of the City of Bowling Green Mayor and four (4) Commissioners to act as an advisory and oversight body specifically for the operation, management and maintenance of the Sloan Convention Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Bowling Green, Kentucky as follows:

1. Chapter 2 (Administration) is hereby amended as follows:

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[2-23 BOWLING GREEN WARREN COUNTY MILITARY LIAISON BOARD.]

[2-23.01 Created.]

[The Military Liaison Board of the City of Bowling Green and the County of Warren is hereby created.]

[2-23.02 Membership and Terms.]

[a. The Bowling Green Warren County Military Liaison Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed jointly by the Mayor and County Judge/Executive, with approval of the Board of Commissioners and Warren Fiscal Court. Two of those board members shall consist of the Commander of American Legion Post #23 and the Commander of VFW Post #1298. Each member shall serve a term of three (3) years; with the initial appointments being staggered with three (3) members serving a term of one (1) year, three (3) members serving a term of two (2) years, and four (4) members serving a term of three (3) years. Board members shall have a military background or be the spouse of military personnel and any person recommended for appointment may be required to document this requirement by providing copies of military discharge papers or other documentation sufficient to the City and County.]

[b. The Board shall also be composed of nine (9) non-voting ex-officio members named as follows: City Central Coordinator, Warren County Grants Director, Warren County DES Director, and one representative from each of the Kentucky Army National Guard, U.S. Army Reserve, U.S. Army Recruiting, U.S. Air Force Recruiting, U.S. Marine Recruiting and U.S. Navy Recruiting.]

[2-23.03 Duties and Responsibilities.]

[The Bowling Green-Warren County Military Liaison Board is hereby granted the duties and responsibilities to promote community and local government participation in preserving and enhancing military commands and missions in Bowling Green and Warren County.]

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2-23 CONVENTION CENTER COMMITTEE

2-23.01 Created.

The Convention Center Committee is hereby created.

2-23.02 Membership.

a. The Convention Center Committee shall consist of the five (5) members comprised of the City of Bowling Green Mayor and four (4) Commissioners.

2-23.03 Officers.

The Convention Center Committee shall annually select by majority vote from among its members, a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson. The Chairperson shall preside at the meetings. In the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside at the meetings.

2-23.04 Meetings and Minutes.

Regular meetings shall be held quarterly, and any special meetings may be held as needed.

Three (3) voting members shall constitute a quorum. All meetings shall be open to the public in a manner consistent with the Kentucky Open Meetings Act. Minutes of all meetings and records of all proceedings, including number of votes for and against each motion and the record of the vote of each member, shall be kept and made available for public inspection in accordance with the Kentucky Open Records Act and the Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives Records Retention Schedules. The City of Bowling Green shall provide clerical staff as needed.

2-23.05 Powers and Duties.

The Convention Center Committee shall act as an advisory and oversight body for the City in the operation, management and maintenance of the Sloan Convention Center by meeting with the Sloan Convention Center management company and other interested parties on a regular basis. The Convention Center Committee shall oversee and evaluate the performance of the management

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company and other contractors pertaining to the operation, management and maintenance of the Sloan

Convention Center and shall make recommendations to the City of Bowling Green Board of

Commissioners regarding the annual operating budget and other related reports. The Committee shall

also assist in formulating policies and procedures for the operation and use of the Sloan Convention

Center. All final decisions related to the operation, management and maintenance of the Sloan

Convention Center, including, but not limited to, the approval of the annual budget and expenditures,

shall remain with the City Board of Commissioners.

2. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and, if any section,

phrase or provision shall, for any reason, be declared invalid, such declaration of invalidity shall not

affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

3. All prior Municipal Orders or Ordinances or parts of any Municipal Order or Ordinance in

conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

4. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to KRS 83A.060 in that it was introduced on

June 16, 2020, and given final reading on June 18

2020, and said Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon signature, recordation and publication

in summary pursuant to KRS Chapter 424.

ATTEST:

ADOPTED: June 18, 2020

APPROVED: But Villey Mayor, Chairman of Board of Commissioners

City Clerk

SPONSORED BY: Jeffery B. Meisel, City Manager