

**MEASURE M**

Shall Subsections 7.02(4), 7.02(5), and 7.02(6) of the City Charter be renumbered as Subsections 7.02(5), 7.02(6), and 7.02(7), respectively; and shall Subsection 3.07(f), Subsection 3.07(h), Subsection 3.07(w), Section 3.11 and Section 7.02 of the City Charter be amended and a new Subsection 7.02(4) be added to read:

**“Sec. 3.07. - Specific powers of the city council.**

All powers and authority granted to the city by the Constitution of the State of Texas shall be vested in the city council, except as otherwise provided by law or this Charter. The city council shall provide for the exercise thereof and for the performance of all duties and obligations imposed upon the city by law and this Charter and shall be specifically granted the powers set forth below:

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- (f) Provide for such additional boards and commissions, not otherwise provided for in this Charter, as may be deemed necessary.

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- (h) Adopt and modify the official map of the city.

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- (w) To cause the general ordinances of the city to be codified and printed in code form.

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**Sec. 3.11. - Ordinance in general.**

The city council shall legislate by ordinance, and the enacting clause of every ordinance shall be, "Be it ordained by the city council of the City of Watauga."

The city attorney shall approve all ordinances as to form and legality. Every ordinance enacted by the city council shall be signed by the mayor or mayor pro tem, in the mayor's absence, and shall be filed with and recorded by the city secretary.

All ordinances shall be submitted at an open meeting of the city council and may be finally passed and adopted on the first submission subject to affirmative vote of the city council in accordance with the voting procedure set forth in section 3.09(c) of this Charter with a reading of the caption or preamble of the ordinance unless otherwise specified or required by applicable law or this Charter.

An ordinance of the City of Watauga may be proved prima facie by a code of ordinances printed by authority of the city or by a copy of the ordinance certified by the city secretary to be a true copy of the same.

Except as otherwise provided by applicable law or this Charter, the city secretary shall give notice of the enactment of any ordinance imposing any penalty, fine or forfeiture for any violation of any of its provisions, and of every other ordinance required by applicable law or this Charter to be published, by causing the said ordinance, or a caption of the ordinance and penalty, to be published at least one time after final passage thereof in the official city newspaper. The affidavit of such publication by the publisher of the newspaper taken before any officer authorized to administer oaths and filed with the city secretary, shall be conclusive proof of the legal publication and promulgation of such ordinance. All ordinances shall be effective after approval by the city council, approval by the mayor and attestation of the city secretary. Every ordinance shall be authenticated by the signature of the mayor and city secretary.

Any ordinance or resolution, other than an emergency measure or the budget, which authorizes or requires the expenditure or diversion of any city funds for any purpose or proposes any new ad valorem property tax increase or decrease, shall have a separate statement submitted and signed by the city manager outlining the fiscal impact and probable gain or loss in income or cost of the measure each year for the first five years after its passage and a statement as to whether or not there will be costs involved thereafter. Such separate statement shall not become a part of the ordinance or resolution but shall remain with the ordinance or resolution throughout the entire legislative process, including submission to the mayor.

An ordinance providing for an emergency measure is an ordinance addressing the immediate preservation of life, health, property or the public peace as set forth in section 3.12. The city council shall, within its discretion, declare what measures are emergency measures, and any ordinance carrying an emergency clause shall be construed to be an emergency measure, which emergency shall be set forth and defined in the preamble of such ordinance. An ordinance addressing an emergency measure shall be passed and adopted on the first reading of the caption or preamble.

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**Sec. 7.02. - City secretary.**

The city council shall appoint the city secretary. The city secretary shall not be appointed for a definite term and may be removed from office by the city council, by voting in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 3.09(c) of this Charter. The city secretary shall be required to:

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4. Maintain the official map of the city in the city hall of Watauga, Texas.”