

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE adopting a new Chapter 2.30 of the Camas Municipal Code, establishing a Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Disability Board.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMAS DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section I

A new Chapter 2.30 of the Camas Municipal Code, entitled, **CMC 2.30: Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Disability Board**, is hereby adopted, to provide as follows:

**2.30.010 Board Created.** There is hereby created a City of Camas Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Disability Board. The word "Board" shall be deemed to mean the City of Camas Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Disability Board whenever used in this chapter.

**2.30.020 Board Membership.**

(1) The membership of the Board shall consist of the following five members:

- (a) Two council members who are appointed by the mayor;
- (b) One active or retired firefighter employed by or retired from the City who is elected by the firefighters employed by or retired from the City who are subject to the jurisdiction of the Board;
- (c) One active or retired law enforcement officer employed by or retired from the City who is elected by the law enforcement officers employed by or retired from the City who are subject to the jurisdiction of the Board; and
- (d) One member from the public at large who resides within the City and who is appointed by the other four members designated in this subsection.

(2) Only those active or retired firefighters and law enforcement officers who are subject to the jurisdiction of the Board have the right to election under this section. All firefighters and law enforcement officers employed by or retired from the City are eligible for election.

(3) For the purposes of the initial Board membership, the appointed Council members and the elected firefighter and law enforcement officer representatives shall meet solely for the purpose of appointing the public-at-large member on or before November 1, 2016.

**2.30.030 Terms.**

Members shall serve a full two-year term, effective January 1, following the effective date of this Ordinance, and said term shall expire two years thereafter, as of December 31.

**2.30.040 Resignation, removal and vacancy.**

- (1) Pursuant to RCW 42.12.020, a member resignation shall be made to the city council. In accordance with RCW 42.12.010(2), a member resignation shall be deemed to occur upon the effective date of the resignation.
- (2) Appointed members may be removed prior to the expiration of their term by a majority vote of the city council.
- (3) A Board position shall become vacant for the same reasons applicable to elective offices in Chapter 42.12 RCW and council positions in RCW 35A.12.060.
- (4) Prior to a third consecutive absence, a member may request that the Board excuse one or more absences. The Board shall determine the validity of the request, and approve or deny the request.
- (5) Vacant appointed positions shall be filled by mayoral appointment and vacant elected positions shall be filled pursuant to the applicable election method set forth in this chapter and RCW 41.26.110.

**2.30.050 Officers.**

- (1) The Board shall elect from among its membership a chairperson and vice chairperson, and such other officers as it deems necessary. The term of office shall be one year. Officers shall be elected at the first meeting that occurs on or follows the first Monday in January.
- (2) The chairperson shall preside at meetings and shall rule on all points of procedure.
- (3) If the office of the chairperson becomes vacant, the vice chairperson shall assume the responsibilities of said office and shall serve in said capacity until the Board elects officers during the next term. In the event such a vacancy occurs, the Board shall elect a new vice chairperson who shall serve until the Board elects officers during the next term.

**2.30.060 Meetings.**

- (1) The Board shall hold meetings as necessary for the proper discharge of its duties. The Board may postpone or cancel a present or future Board meeting.
- (2) Meetings of the Board shall be open and public pursuant to Chapter 42.30 RCW.
- (3) A quorum for conducting business shall be a simple majority of the membership of the Board.
- (4) Robert's Rules of Order shall govern Board meetings, and the Board may adopt additional suitable rules of procedure.
- (5) The public shall be notified of upcoming Board meetings and the preliminary agenda for each meeting. Such notice may include, but is not limited to, written notification to the city's official newspaper, publication of a notice in the official newspaper, posting of upcoming meeting agendas, or such other processes as the Board determines will satisfy the intent of this requirement.

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**2.30.070 Authority and duties.** The Board shall have such powers and duties as prescribed in Chapter 41.26 RCW.

**2.30.080 State law adopted.** To the extent that it is applicable, Chapter 41.26 RCW is adopted by reference, and shall be in effect in the City of Camas.

Section II

This ordinance shall take force and be in effect five (5) days from and after its publication according to law.

PASSED BY the Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2016.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

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City Attorney