

ORDINANCE NO. 56

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND TERMS OF OFFICE OF THE MEMBERS THEREOF; DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF SAID COMMISSION; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILWELL, OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION CREATED.

There is hereby created a Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Stilwell, Oklahoma. Said Commission shall be composed of five members, at least four of whom shall be residents of the City of Stilwell, nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the Governing Body. Each appointed member shall hold office for a period as prescribed by the Governing Body. Members may be removed by the Mayor with the consent of the Governing Body only for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malefaction in office. Vacancies occurring otherwise than through the expiration of term shall be filled only for the unexpired term by the Mayor with confirmation by the Governing Body.

SECTION. 2 QUORUM.

Two-thirds members of the Planning and Zoning Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; providing, however, that no action shall be taken which is binding upon said Planning and Zoning Commission unless concurred in by not less than a majority of all members comprising the Planning Commission.

SECTION 3. ORGANIZATION AND RULES.

The Commission shall elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and a Secretary and may create and fill such other offices as it may deem necessary. The term of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary shall be one year, with eligibility for re-election. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall hold at least one regular meeting each month. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a record of its regulations, transactions, findings and determinations, which record shall be a public record.

SECTION 4. POWER TO EMPLOY STAFF.

The Planning and Zoning Commission shall have the power and authority to employ planners, engineers, attorneys, clerks and other help deemed necessary within the limits of the appropriation fixed by the Municipality. The salary and compensation of such services shall be fixed by the Governing Body and shall be paid out of the Treasury. The Planning and Zoning Commission may incur necessary expenses within the limits of its appropriation to carry out its purposes and responsibility.

SECTION 5. POWERS AND DUTIES.

The Planning and Zoning Commission shall have the power and duty to prepare and recommend to the Governing Body for adoption a comprehensive plan for the physical development of the City of Stilwell, Oklahoma. In conducting its work, the Planning and Zoning Commission may consider and investigate any subject matter tending to the development and betterment of such Municipality and may make recommendations as it may deem advisable concerning the adoption thereof. The Commission may prepare and recommend for adoption rules and regulations governing the subdivision of land within the corporate limit of the Municipality and its environs.

The Commission shall also act as the Zoning Commission which shall have the power to prepare and to recommend for adoption a zoning plan to regulate and restrict the height, number of stories and size of buildings and other structures; the percentage of lot that may be occupied; the size of yards, courts and other open spaces; the density of population; the location and use of buildings, structures and land for trade, industry, residences and other purposes.

SECTION 6. CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED and APPROVED this 3rd day of October, 1966. In accordance with State Legislation, Chapter 11, O.S. 1961, Paragraph 421425 with reference to law 1923, Chapter 177, page 300, paragraph 2.

(Seal)

E. F. ANDERSON
Mayor

ATTEST: JOE H. CARSON
City Clerk

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