

BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1.35.003 OF THE INDEPENDENCE CITY CODE  
PERTAINING TO STRUCTURE OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH.

WHEREAS, City leadership and members of the Advisory Board of Health have identified mental health as a priority public health matter; and,

WHEREAS, many mental health practitioners do not own their practice nor live within the City limits but still demonstrate a deep commitment to the health needs of our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Advisory Board of Health met on October 7, 2021, and voted to recommend the proposed changes to the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Sections 1.35.003 are hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 1.35.003. Structure of Board—Quorum—Compensation.

A. The Advisory Board of Health shall consist of ten members who shall serve without compensation, and who shall be representative of the various professions directly concerned with general matters of health and shall also include lay members of the community. All members of the Advisory Board of Health shall be appointed by the Council. The terms of appointment shall be for three years each, provided, however, that all members shall continue in office until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified. In the event of the death or resignation of any member, the successor shall be appointed by the Council to serve for the unexpired term. The membership shall consist of the following: four licensed medical practitioners, at least two of whom must be physicians; one dentist; one veterinarian; **one mental health practitioner**; and ~~four~~ **three** lay members.

B. All lay members shall be residents of the City. All other members shall either be residents of the City or have their principal **occupational business** location within the City.

C. From the members of the Advisory Board of Health, the membership shall select a chairman who must be a resident of the City. The chairman shall be the presiding officer at all meetings. The Advisory Board of Health may at its first meeting elect a vice chairman, a corresponding secretary, and a treasurer or any combination of offices which it finds advisable for the efficient carrying out of its purposes. The Director of the Health Department shall serve as a non-voting, recording secretary for all Board Meetings.

D. Any five members of the Advisory Board of Health shall constitute a quorum to do business.”

SECTION 2. That all other parts and provisions of the City Code shall be in full force and effect unless previously or subsequently amended or repealed.

SECTION 3. That correction of any scrivener’s errors identified within these articles are hereby authorized by this ordinance.

PASSED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

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Presiding Officer of the City Council  
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED - FORM AND LEGALITY:

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City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

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City Manager

**NOTE: Words struck through and bolded are being removed by this ordinance and words underscored and bolded are being added by this ordinance.**