

BILL NO. _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 30.1.003 OF CHAPTER 1 OF THE
INDEPENDENCE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE HERITAGE
COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Ordinance 19195 to establish the Heritage Commission;
and,

WHEREAS, a change was made to the federal ethics policy mandating that all federal
employees who serve on local boards and commissions are prohibited from unduly influencing local
policy decisions; and,

WHEREAS, this mandate effectively removed all voting power from those members; and,

WHEREAS, in order to be consistent with this policy, city staff has initiated a change in the
verbiage for the City Code Article 30.1.003 regarding the role of ex-officio members; and,

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2022, the Heritage Commission voted in favor of recommending to
the City Council that Article 30.1.003 of Chapter 1 of the Independence City Code be amended to reflect
changes to the federal ethics policy; and,

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

SECTION 1. That Article 30.1.003 of Chapter 1-Composition of the Heritage Commission is
hereby amended as follows:

The City of Independence shall have a Heritage Commission consisting of nine members. The
Director of the Harry S. Truman Library and the Superintendent of the Harry S. Truman National
Historic Site, or their designees, shall serve as ~~ex-officio voting~~ advisory members. The remaining
seven members shall be appointed by the City Council. Of the seven appointed members: one or
more shall be a resident of each locally designated Historic District or owner/resident of a locally
designated Landmark; three shall be professionals in one of the following categories: historic
preservation, historian, architecture, architectural history, archaeology, engineering, landscape
architecture, real estate, property appraiser, or other related field. If every effort to fill these
professional positions are made and no acceptable candidates are available the remainder of the
appointees shall have a demonstrated knowledge of and public participation in the field of local
heritage and regional preservation efforts. All appointed members shall work, own property, or
reside in the City of Independence. All Commission members shall attend annually at least one
informational or educational training program pertaining to historic preservation that is approved
by the Missouri State Historic Preservation Officer. The cost of attendance shall be paid from funds
included in the annual City budget and expended in accordance with City policies as amended or
revised.

Secs. 1.28.007—1.28.999. Reserved.

SECTION 2. That all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith area hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That all other parts and provisions of the City Code shall be in full force and effect unless previously or subsequently amended or repealed.

PASSED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

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

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

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.