ORDINANCE NO. 964

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF ELECTED OFFICERS, THE TRANSITION OF THOSE TERMS TO THE NOVEMBER ELECTION CYCLE, AND NOMINATION PETITION REQUIREMENTS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD FALLS, KANSAS:

Section 1. (a) The governing body consists of a mayor and five council members. The mayor and council members shall be residents and qualified electors of the City of Cottonwood Falls, Kansas. Every two years an election shall be held for all such governing body positions whose terms have expired. A mayor and two council members shall be elected at one election, and the remaining three council members shall be elected at the succeeding election. The mayor and council members shall hold their offices for four years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

(b) Those governing-body positions that would have expired in April 2017, shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2018, when the city officials elected in the November 2017 general election take office. Those governing body positions that would have expired in April 2019, shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2020, when the city officials elected in the November 2019 general election take office.

Section 2. In accordance with K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto, any person may become a candidate for city office elected at large by having had filed on their behalf, a nomination petition or a declaration of candidacy, accompanied by any fee required by law. The nomination petition must be signed by 1% of the qualified electors of the City of Cottonwood Falls.

Section 3. The ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect immediately following its adoption and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Governing Body, not less than two-thirds of the members elect voting in favor thereof, this 21st day of March 2016.

Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor

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