

CHAPTER 15

MAYOR

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15.01 TERM OF OFFICE. The Mayor is elected for a term of four (4) years.
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 376.2*)

15.02 POWERS AND DUTIES. The powers and duties of the Mayor are as follows:

1. Chief Executive Officer. Act as the chief executive officer of the City and presiding officer of the Council. (*Ord. 00-46 – Apr. 00 Supp.*)
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[1]*)
2. Proclamation of Emergency. Have authority to take command of the police and govern the City by proclamation, upon making a determination that a time of emergency or public danger exists. Within the City limits, the Mayor has all the powers conferred upon the Sheriff to suppress disorders.
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[2]*)
3. Special Meetings. Call special meetings of the Council when the Mayor deems such meetings necessary to the interests of the City.
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.14[1]*)
4. Mayor's Veto. Sign, veto or take no action on an ordinance, amendment or resolution passed by the Council. If the Mayor exercises such veto power, the Mayor shall explain the reason for such veto in a written message to the Council at the time of the veto. The Council may override the Mayor's veto by a two-thirds majority of the Council members.
(*Code of Iowa, Sec. 380.5 & 380.6[2]*)
5. Reports to Council. Make such oral or written reports to the Council as required. These reports shall concern municipal affairs generally, the municipal departments, and recommendations suitable for Council action.
6. (*Repealed by Ordinance No. 00-46 – Apr. 00 Supp.*)
7. Contracts. Whenever authorized by the Council, sign contracts on behalf of the City.
8. (*Repealed by Ordinance No. 00-46 – Apr. 00 Supp.*)

9. Licenses and Permits. Sign all licenses and permits which have been granted by the Council, except those designated by law or ordinance to be issued by another municipal officer.
10. *(Repealed by Ordinance No. 00-46 – Apr. 00 Supp.)*
11. Absentee Officer. Make appropriate provision that duties of any absentee officer be carried on during such absence.

15.03 APPOINTMENTS. The Mayor shall appoint the Mayor Pro Tem, Police Chief and Fire Chief, Finance Committee, and the Mayor also appoints, with Council approval, the following officials:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)

1. Library Board of Trustees
2. Cemetery Board
3. Utility Board of Trustees
4. Civil Service Commission
5. Historic Preservation Commission
6. Zoning Board of Adjustment
7. Crest Area Arts and Recreation Center Board
8. Animal Control Officer.

In addition, the Mayor recommends individuals, for appointment by the Council, for membership on the Planning and Zoning Commission and Airport Commission.

(Ord. 00-46 – Apr. 00 Supp.)

15.04 COMPENSATION. The salary of the Mayor is forty-eight hundred dollars (\$4800.00) per year, which sum includes \$1200.00 to cover expenses. Effective January 1, 2008, the salary of the Mayor shall be one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per month.

(Ord. 06-96 – Oct. 06 Supp.)

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8])

15.05 VOTING. The Mayor is not a member of the Council and may not vote as a member of the Council.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.4)