

## ORDINANCE

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### AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH AN ARTS COUNCIL AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT, POWERS, AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Farmington, Iowa:

**SECTION 1** Purpose. The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide for the establishment of an Arts Council for the City of Farmington, Iowa, for appointment of its members, and to specify its powers and duties.

**SECTION 2** Arts Council. There is hereby established an Arts Council for the City of Farmington, Iowa.

**SECTION 3** Arts Council - Qualifications. The Arts Council Board shall consist of five (5) members and two (2) ex-officio (non-voting members). In addition, there shall be members-at-large consisting of one member from each active community organization who shall also be voting members, and any individuals who have paid a yearly membership fee who will have voting privileges, but who shall be eligible for appointment to the Board by the City Council. These appointees will represent civic, education, and professional association and/or groups concerned with or engaged with the fine arts or festival. The ex-officio members shall be the past president and a member of the City Council. (The City Council member shall be the chairman of the Community Betterment/Development Committee each year.)

**SECTION 4** Arts Council-Organization.

**4.1** The term of office of each member of the board shall be five (5) years except to fill vacancies. Each term shall commence of July 1st. Appointment shall be made each year as terms expire.

**4.2** The original appointments by the City Council, made upon recommendation from the Arts Council, shall be for one member with the term expiring June 30, 1986; one member term expiring June 30, 1987; one member term expiring June 30, 1988; one member term expiring June 30, 1989; and one member term expiring June 30, 1990.

**4.3** Vacancies shall be filled for the balance of any unexpired term in the same manner as original appointments.

**4.4** The Arts Council members shall not receive any compensation for their service but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

**SECTION 5** Power and Duties. The Arts Council shall have the following powers and duties.

**5.1** To meet and elect from its members a chairman, vice chairman, secretary, and treasurer.

**5.2** To review programs to be supported by the Arts Council (i.e., the Strawberry Festival) and make recommendations to the City Council for their approval.

**5.3** To set out policies, programs, and procedures for carrying out the functions, duties, or responsibilities of this council.

**5.4** To review existing artistic, cultural programs and activities but not to limit to music, theatre, dance, painting, sculpture, architecture, and allied arts and crafts and ascertain those which should be brought to existence to best serve the cultural and artistic needs of Farmington, Iowa. Examples of such cultural experiences would be the Strawberry Festival (currently a community activity), Arts in the Park Programs, visiting artists, etc.

**5.5** To determine the legitimate, cultural, artistic needs, and aspirations of citizens in the City.

**5.6** To stimulate and encourage the study and presentation of the performing and fine arts and public interest and participation.

**5.7** To prepare a feasible budget for the implementation of programs to be supported by created activities of the Council, by grant money, and by donations, and by membership funds.

**5.8** To submit a report to the City Council quarterly.

**5.9** To be able to expend accumulated Art Council funds, to be able to accept gifts and bequests or grants as requested or restricted, to be able to raise funds for implementation of its art programs, and to keep an accurate account of financial transactions on all such matters.

**5.10** The City of Farmington will not be responsible for any debts incurred throughout the duration of the Arts Council or at such time if such Arts Council disbands or dissolves.

**5.11** To keep a record of Art Council meetings in addition to any committee meetings (i.e., Fine Arts Committee, Strawberry Festival Committee, etc.).

**SECTION 6** Severability Clause. If any section, provision or part of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 7** When Effective. This Ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed and adopted this 12th day of November, 1985.

Elmer Huff, Mayor  
Karen Faulkner, City Clerk

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