

BILL NO. 18-200

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL., OF CHAPTER 12. ELECTIONS., OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT MISSOURI, BY ENACTING A NEW SECTION 12-4 USE OF CITY STAFF AND RESOURCES PRIOR TO AN ELECTION., TO GENERALLY PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION BY STAFF, EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS, AND USE OF CITY RESOURCES RELATED TO ANY DISTRICT SPECIFIC FORUM FROM AND AFTER FEBRUARY 1 OF ANY YEAR IN WHICH A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION IS TO BE HELD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Article 1. In General of Chapter 12. Elections., of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, be and hereby is amended by enacting a new section 12-4 Use of City Staff and Resources Prior to an Election. to read as follows:

"Sec. 12-4 Use of City Staff and Resources Prior to an Election.

No member of City Staff shall appear in any official capacity at any forum identified as a district specific public forum from and after February 1 of any year in which a general municipal election is to be held until such Election Day has passed. Additionally, no City resources, equipment or funds shall be used to support or in any way promote such a forum. Nothing herein shall prohibit a City Staff member from attending such a forum as a citizen. No staff member so attending shall be asked to provide information on behalf of the City in any matter.

SECTION 2. If any part or portion of this ordinance is found invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and adoption, and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, this _____ day of _____, 2018.

ATTEST:

Mayor *William A. Baird*

City Clerk *Trisha Fowler Arcuri*

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APPROVED by the Mayor of said city this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Mayor *William A. Baird*

ATTEST:

City Clerk *Trisha Fowler Arcuri*

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney *Brian W. Head*