ORDINANCE NO. 09-26

AN ORDINANCE REPLACING CAMDEN CODE SECTION 2-97 (ORDINANCE 19-86) REGARDING THE AUTHORITY OF AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 19-86 created the Camden Airport Commission in 1986 and was based on Act 53 of 1949; and

WHEREAS, Camden Code Section 2-97 addressed the duties of the Commission and the selection of an airport manager, and provides:

> Sec. 2-97. - Duties generally; selection of airport manager.
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> The commissioners confirmed hereunder shall have responsibility for the management, operation, maintenance and improvements of the municipal airport and the related properties and facilities. These duties and responsibilities shall be established and amended from time to time as necessary and shall be exercised through and by the mayor. Specifically, the right to employ or remove any and all assistants and employees of whatsoever nature, kind or character and to fix, regulate and pay their salaries shall be the responsibility of the mayor; provided, however, that should the position of airport manager be deemed necessary and the budget appropriation provides for such, the airport commission shall establish the requirements, review all applications and recommend to the board of aldermen the person for the position. The board of aldermen of the city shall have the final authority in the selection of the airport manager by a vote of the majority of the aldermen.
> (Ord. No. 19-86, § 4, 11-4-86)

WHEREAS, the underlying state statute was amended by Act 334 of 2011 to provide as follows:

> A.C.A. § 14-359-109 – Authority of Commissioners
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> (a)(1) The commissioners appointed under this chapter shall have full and complete authority to manage, operate, improve, extend, and maintain the municipal airport and its related properties and facilities.
> (2) The commissioners shall have full and complete charge of the airport and its related properties and facilities, including the right to employ or remove any and all assistants and employees of whatsoever nature, kind, or character and to fix, regulate, and pay their salaries.
> (A.C.A.§ 14-359-109(a))

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend Camden Code Section 2-97 to conform to the language of the amended state statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. Section 2-97 of the Camden Code of Ordinances is deleted in its entirety and replaced by the following:

Sec. 2-97. - Authority of Commissioners.

(1) The commissioners appointed hereunder shall have full and complete authority to manage, operate, improve, extend, and maintain the municipal airport and its related properties and facilities.

(2) The commissioners shall have full and complete charge of the airport and its related properties and facilities, including the right to employ or remove any and all assistants and employees of whatsoever nature, kind, or character and to fix, regulate, and pay their salaries.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS_____DAY OF_____, 2026.

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Mayor

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City Clerk