

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS

Be It Enacted by the City Council of the City of Independence, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SUBPARAGRAPH MODIFIED. Subparagraph (1) of Paragraph D of Subsection 4 of Section 7.05 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa, is repealed and the following is adopted in lieu thereof:

- (1) Notice of the public hearing shall be published not less than four or more than 20 days in a newspaper published at least once weekly and having general circulation in the City. However, if the City has a population of 200 or less, publication may be made by posting in three public places in the City.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 24.2A(4)(b)(2))

SECTION 2. SUBSECTION MODIFIED. Subsection 6 of Section 7.05 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Independence, Iowa, is repealed and the following is adopted in lieu thereof:

6. Notice of Hearing. Following, and not until completion of requirements, of Subsection 4 of this section, the Council shall set a time and place for public hearing on the budget to be held before April 30 and shall publish notice of the hearing not less than four or more than 20 days before the hearing. A summary of the proposed budget and a description of the procedure for protesting the City budget under Section 384.19 of the *Code of Iowa*, in the form prescribed by the Director of the Department of Management, shall be included in the notice. Proof of publication of the notice under this subsection must be filed with the County Auditor.
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.16(3))

SECTION 3. 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 thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of Independence, Iowa, on this _____ day of _____ 2025.

Brad Bleichner, Mayor of the City of Independence, IA

ATTEST:

Susi Lampe, CMC, IaCMC, IaCFO,
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, IA

First Reading: September 8, 2025
Second Reading: _____
Third Reading: _____

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 2025-_____ on the _____ day of _____ 2025.

Susi Lampe, CMC, IaCMC, IaCFO,
Assistant City Manager/City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Independence, IA