ARTICLE VI – CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Division 4 – Economic Development Board

Sec.-3-280. Established.

There is hereby established an advisory board to be known as the "Economic Development Board" (EDB). The mission of the EDB is to assist existing businesses, attract new businesses and stimulate capital investments in the City. The EDB's goals are improving the City's economic well-being through efforts that entail job creation, job retention, tax base enhancements, annexation, housing and quality of life.

Sec.-3.281. Membership, Appointment, Qualifications, Term.

A.   Members. The EDB shall consist of ten (10) voting members, including the Mayor.

B.   Appointment. The Mayor, with the consent and approval of a majority of the Board of Aldermen, shall appoint all members to the EDB, including, as follows:

1. Mayor

2. Board of Aldermen Representative

3. Board of Aldermen Representative

4. City Administrator

5. Chamber of Commerce Representative

6. UJRO Representative

7. Jackson R-2 School Administration Representative

8. City Citizen at Large

9. County Citizen at Large

10. County Citizen at Large

Appointment of a successor or reappointment of a member shall be effective on or about May 1 following expiration of the member's term. Members shall continue to hold office until reappointed or their successor is appointed. The Mayor, with the consent and approval of a majority of the Board of Aldermen, shall appoint a person to fill the unexpired term of that member.

C.   Qualifications. Members should show an interest in the purposes set forth in Sec.-3-280.

D.	Terms. Appointments by the Mayor shall be for terms of three (3) years; except that of the members first appointed, the Mayor shall designate four (4) to serve for a period of one (1) year, four (4) to serve for a period of two (2) years and the remaining to serve for a period of three (3) years.

E.	Removal. Any member of the EDB may be removed from office for misconduct, neglect of duty, or lack of qualifications by executive order of the Mayor after receiving the consent of a majority of the entire Board of Aldermen, or by six-eighths (6/8) vote of the Board of Aldermen on its own initiative.

F.	Chair and Vice Chair. The Mayor, with the consent and approval of a majority of the Board of Aldermen, shall appoint a Chair and Vice Chair annually on or about May 1 for a term of one (1) year. No member shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms as Chair or Vice Chair.

G.	Staff. A designated City staff member shall interact with the EDB to support economic programming, services and development activities.

H.	Compensation. All members shall serve without compensation.

Sec.-3-281. Meetings.

The EDB shall meet every other month and at such times as adopted in the rules and regulations set out in Sec. 3-283.

Sec.-3-282. Additional Duties.

A.	The duties of the Economic Development Board shall be as follows:

1.	Advise and make recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regarding the sale, acquisition, annexation and development of property.

2.	Advise and make recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regarding strategies, objectives and policies to attract and retain business.

3.	Advise and make recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regarding strategies, objectives and policies to attract housing developments needed for the growth of the City.

4.	Advise and make recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regarding general policy guidelines for the City's economic development programs.

5.	Perform such other duties as from time to time the Mayor and Board of Aldermen may request consistent with the other duties of the EDB.

Sec.-3-283. Board of Aldermen To Promulgate Certain Rules And Procedures As Necessary.

Rules of Procedure may be adopted and amended from time to time by the Board of Aldermen, as necessary.

Sec.-3-284. Report To Mayor And Board of Aldermen.

The EDB shall submit, on or before April 1 of each year, a written report to the Board