

2026 ADOPTING ORDINANCE

BILL NO. 26-22

ORDINANCE NO. 260608B

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A NEW CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILLARD; ESTABLISHING THE SAME; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES NOT INCLUDED THEREIN, EXCEPT AS HEREIN EXPRESSLY PROVIDED; PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF AMENDING SUCH CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WILLARD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That pursuant to Section 71.943 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, the codification of ordinances, as set out in Titles I through VII, each inclusive, of the "Code of Ordinances of the City of Willard" is hereby adopted and enacted as the "Code of Ordinances of the City of Willard"; which shall supersede all other general and permanent ordinances of the City passed on or before December 22, 2025, to the extent provided in Section 3 hereof.

Section 2. That all provisions of such Code shall be in full force and effect from and after the effective date of this ordinance as set forth herein.

Section 3. That all ordinances of a general and permanent nature of the City adopted on final passage on or before December 22, 2025, and not included in such Code or recognized and continued in force by reference therein, are hereby repealed from and after the effective date of this ordinance, except those which may be specifically excepted by separate ordinance, and except the following which are hereby continued in full force and effect, unless specifically repealed by separate ordinance:

- a. Ordinances promising or guaranteeing the payment of money for the City, or authorizing the issuance of any bonds or notes of the City or any other evidence of the City's indebtedness, or authorizing any contract or obligation assumed by the City;
- b. Ordinances levying taxes or making special assessments;
- c. Ordinances appropriating funds or establishing salaries and compensation, and providing for expenses;
- d. Ordinances granting franchises or rights to any person, firm or corporation;
- e. Ordinances relating to the dedication, opening, closing, naming, establishment of grades, improvement, altering, paving, widening or vacating of streets, alleys, sidewalks or public places;
- f. Ordinances authorizing or relating to particular public improvements;
- g. Ordinances respecting the conveyances or acceptance of real property or easements in real property;
- h. Ordinances dedicating, accepting or vacating any plat or subdivision in the City or any part thereof, or providing regulations for the same;

- i. Ordinances annexing property to the City;
- j. All zoning and subdivision ordinances not specifically repealed and not included herein;
- k. Ordinances establishing TIF districts or redevelopment districts;
- l. Ordinances relating to traffic schedules (i.e. stop signs, parking limits, etc.);
- m. All ordinances relating to personnel regulations (i.e. pensions, retirement, job descriptions and insurance, etc.);
- n. Ordinances authorizing the establishment of industrial development corporations;
- o. Ordinances establishing tax rates for the City.

That the repeal provided for in this Section shall not be construed to revive any ordinance or part thereof that has been repealed by a subsequent ordinance which is repealed by this ordinance.

That the repeal provided for in this Section shall not affect any offense or act committed or done or any penalty or forfeiture incurred or any contract or right established or accruing before the effective date of this ordinance, nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to such date.

Section 4. That any and all additions and amendments to such Code when passed in such form as to indicate the intention of the Board of Aldermen to make the same a part thereof shall be deemed to be incorporated in such Code so that reference to the "Code of Ordinances of the City of Willard" shall be understood and intended to include such additions and amendments.

Section 5.

- a. Whenever in this Code or any other ordinance of the City of Willard any act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or in the doing of any act as required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, where no specific penalty is provided therefore, the violation of any such provision of this Code or other ordinance of the City of Willard shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in jail for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- b. Whenever any provision of the Revised Statutes of Missouri or other Statute of the State limits the authority of the City to punish the violation of any particular provision of these ordinances or rules, regulations or orders promulgated pursuant thereto to a fine of less amount than that provided in this Section or imprisonment for a shorter term than that provided in this Section, the violation of such particular provision of these ordinances or rules, regulations or orders shall be punished by the imposition of not more than the maximum fine or imprisonment so authorized, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- c. Whenever any provision of the Revised Statutes of Missouri or other Statute of the State establishes a penalty differing from that provided by this Section for an offense similar to any offense established by these ordinances, rules, regulations or other orders of the City, the violation of such City law, ordinance, rule, regulation or order shall be punished by the fine or imprisonment established for such similar offense by such State law.

- d. Every day any violation of this Code or any other ordinance of this City of Willard shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.
- e. Whenever any act is prohibited by this Code, by an amendment thereof, or by any rule or regulation adopted thereunder, such prohibition shall extend to and include the causing, securing, aiding or abetting of another person to do said act. Whenever any act is prohibited by this Code, an attempt to do the act is likewise prohibited.

Section 6. That in case of the amendment by the Board of Aldermen of any Section of such Code for which a penalty is not provided, the general penalty as provided in Section 5 of this ordinance shall apply to the Section as amended; or in case such amendment contains provisions for which a penalty other than the aforementioned general penalty is provided in another Section in the same Chapter, the penalty so provided in such other Section shall be held to relate to the Section so amended, unless such penalty is specifically repealed therein.

Section 7. That a copy of such Code shall be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk, preserved in looseleaf form or in such other form as the City Clerk may consider most expedient. It shall be the express duty of the City Clerk, or someone authorized by said officer, to insert in their designated places all amendments and all ordinances or resolutions which indicate the intention of the Board of Aldermen to make the same part of such Code when the same have been printed or reprinted in page form and to extract from such Code all provisions which from time to time may be repealed by the Board of Aldermen. This copy of such Code shall be available for all persons desiring to examine the same.

Section 8. That it shall be unlawful for any person to change or alter by additions or deletions any part or portion of such Code, or to insert or delete pages or portions thereof, or to alter or tamper with such Code in any manner whatsoever which will cause the law of the City of Willard to be misrepresented thereby. Any person violating this Section shall be punished as provided in Section 5 of this ordinance.

Section 9. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of Aldermen that the Sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance and the Code hereby adopted are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or Section of this ordinance or the Code hereby adopted shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by the valid judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and Sections of this ordinance or the Code hereby adopted.

Section 10. This ordinance and the Code adopted hereby shall become effective June 8th, 2026.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WILLARD THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2026.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WILLARD THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2026.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

READ TWO TIMES AND PASSED AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, MISSOURI ON THE 8th DAY OF JUNE 2026.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN:

Board Member	Votes		
	Yes	No	Abstained

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