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AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 127.220 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, MISSOURI AND AMENDING SECTION 127.210, REGARDING EXCLUSIONS TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE PARKS AND RECREATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen recognizes the value of collaborative governance and seeks to strengthen communication and oversight between the legislative body and the Parks and Recreational Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen and the Parks and Recreational Advisory Board have met in joint session to discuss the importance of enhanced oversight of the Parks Department and the need for improved alignment between policy, planning, and implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen desires the flexibility to appoint one of its members to serve on the Parks and Recreational Advisory Board to facilitate transparency, improve policy coordination, and ensure a stronger connection between community programming and elected leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen finds that repealing Section 127.220 and amending Section 127.210 of the City Code, which prohibit any member of the Board of Aldermen from serving on the Parks and Recreational Advisory Board, is in the best interest of the City and its residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 127.220 of Title I, Article III of the Municipal Code of the City of Willard, Missouri, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 2. Section 127.210 Appointment of Board shall be amended to read: The Mayor shall, with the approval of a majority of all members of the Board of Aldermen, appoint a Park and Recreational Advisory Board of seven (7) members, five (5) four (4) members to be chosen from the citizens of the City at large with reference to their qualifications for such position, up to two (2) members may be chosen from outside the City limits but within five (5) miles and not in any other City. A member of the Board of Aldermen shall be one of the seven (7) members of the Park and Recreational Advisory Board, selected by the Board of Aldermen.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 14th DAY OF JULY, 2025.

Approved By:

Troy Smith, Mayor

Attested By:

Rebecca Hansen, City Clerk

Approved as to Form: _____

Nate Dally, City Attorney