

ORDINANCE 16-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL ABOLISHING THE COMMISSION ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BY REPEALING SECTIONS 14-26, 14-27, 14-28, 14-29, 14-30, 14-31 AND 14-32, AND BY AMENDING SECTION 2-44 TO ASSIGN REVIEW OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Commission on Behavioral Health has been inactive for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, issues concerning behavioral health can be effectively addressed by the Public Safety Committee as a standing committee of the Roswell City Council, since the Police and Fire Departments are the City departments most affected and experienced by regular encounters with those persons with behavioral health issues; and

WHEREAS, City departments are also able to coordinate efforts with other governmental agencies concerning behavioral health issues which exist or arise within the community, as well as seeking and contracting for expertise and advice in behavioral health issues from experts; and

WHEREAS, the functions of the Commission of Behavioral Health are largely duplicated by the various City departments and staff, so that the elimination of the Commission will not adversely affect the City on issues concerning behavioral health:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, that:

SECTION 1. The title of Article IV of Chapter 14 of the Roswell City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. Reserved.

SECTION 2. Section 14-26 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 3. Section 14-27 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 4. Section 14-28 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 5. Section 14-29 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 6. Section 14-20 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 7. Section 14-31 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety

SECTION 8. Section 14-32 of the Roswell City Code is repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 9. Section 2-44 of the Roswell City Code is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-44 Public Safety Committee

The Public Safety Committee shall review and consider policies that affect the operations of the police department, fire department, code enforcement department, 911 dispatch, ambulance services, emergency management and preparedness, animal control, and other public safety programs such as alarm ordinance and neighborhood watch, and fees associated with the provision of the foregoing public safety services. The Public Safety Committee shall also review and consider policies concerning behavioral health issues that were formerly considered by the City's Commission on Behavioral Health.

SECTION 10. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any ordinance or part of any ordinance heretofore repealed.

SECTION 11. If any section, paragraph, clause or provisions of this ordinance for any reason shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any other part of this ordinance.

SECTION 12. This ordinance shall be effective after five (5) days following its publication as required by law.

PASSED, ADOPTED, SIGNED and APPROVED the 14th day of July, 2016.

CITY SEAL



ATTEST:

Sharon Coll

Sharon Coll, City Clerk

Dennis Kintigh
Dennis Kintigh, Mayor