

**ORDINANCE NO. 1459**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF OSKALOOSA, IOWA BY REMOVING ARTICLE VI AND MODIFYING SECTION 7.2 TO COMPLY WITH IOWA LAW AND MAKING CONFORMING CHANGES**

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Oskaloosa, Iowa:

SECTION 1. ARTICLE REPEALED. The Charter of the City of Oskaloosa, Iowa is hereby amended by repealing Article VI- Initiative and Referendum.

SECTION 2. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 7.2-Charter Amendments of the Charter of the City of Oskaloosa, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

**Section 7.2-Charter Amendments.**

This Charter may be amended only as provided by Iowa law.

SECTION 2. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 7.3-Charter Review Commission of the Charter of the City of Oskaloosa, Iowa, his repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

**Section 7.3-Charter Review Commission.**

The City Council, using the procedures prescribed in Article V, shall establish a Charter Review Commission at least once every ten (10) years following the effective date of this Charter. The Commission, consisting of at least seven (7) members, shall review the existing Charter and may, within six (6) months, recommend any Charter amendments that it deems fit. The City Council shall submit such amendments to the voters in the form prescribed by the Commission and an amendment becomes effective when approved by a majority of those voting, upon certification of election results. The Commission may also recommend to the City Council that it exercise its power of amendment pursuant to Section 7.2 of this Charter on a matter recommended by the Commission.

SECTION 4. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. 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 6. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.

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David Krutzfeldt, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amy Miller, City Clerk

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 1459 on the 20th day of May 2023.

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Amy Miller, City Clerk