

ORDINANCE NO. 22-91
(as amended 9/6/2022)

OFFERED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOSTER

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 296 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROHIBIT INDIVIDUAL CITY EMPLOYEES FROM SERVING ON CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND/OR COMMITTEES.

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to prevent any conflicts of interest, whether they be potential, perceived or actual, in the appointment and service of members of the City's various boards, commissions and committees; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to foster integrity in public service, and promote the public's trust and confidence in that service by placing restrictions on what municipal employees may do on the job, after hours, and after leaving public service; and,

WHEREAS, clarity for the eligibility of City employees and members of the community for appointment and service on City boards, commissions and/or committees is in the best interests of the City of Hudson and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Hudson, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Chapter 296 the Codified Ordinances of the City of Hudson, titled "Eligibility for Service on City Boards, Commissions and/or Committees," is hereby created and designated as follows:

SECTION 296.01 DEFINITIONS.

- (a) In the context of eligibility for service on any City Board, Commission and/or Committee under the Charter and/or the Codified Ordinances, "public office" shall mean only service as a City Employee.
- (b) Under this Chapter, "City Employee" shall mean any individual employed by the City currently or during the immediately preceding ~~twenty-four~~ **eighteen** months in a full or part-time, temporary or permanent capacity.

SECTION 296.02 PROHIBITION FOR CITY EMPLOYEES ON CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND/OR COMMITTEES.

- (a) No City Employee shall be eligible for appointment or service on any City Board, Commission and/or Committee when such body is established in the Charter, the Codified Ordinances, or by City Council.

- (b) This Section does not apply to the following:
1. City Employees who are designated to serve as a member of any City Board, Commission and/or Committee by virtue of their official role and/or position in City government;
 2. Volunteer members of a different City Board, Commission and/or Committee;
 3. Elected officials.

Section 2. Those provisions of the Codified Ordinances which conflict with this Ordinance, if any, are hereby rescinded and repealed.

Section 3. The aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: September 6, 2022

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 22-91 was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on September 6, 2022.

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

First Reading: August 2, 2022
Second Reading: August 16, 2022
Third Reading: September 6, 2022