

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 295.01 AND 295.02 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE REGARDING THE COMPOSITION AND THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ECONOMIC GROWTH BOARD; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, at its workshop meeting on August 25, 2015, this Council discussed changing the composition and the powers and duties of the Economic Growth Board (the "Board") with the purpose of improving and modernizing the functions of the Board to further the City's economic development goals; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes it is in the best interest of the City to amend Sections 295.01 and 295.02 of the Administrative Code as set forth herein.

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

Section 1: That Section 295.01, "Composition and Terms," and Section 295.02, "Powers and Duties," of the Administrative Code be amended to read as follows:

"295.01 COMPOSITION AND TERMS.

The Hudson Economic Growth Board shall consist of between five and ~~seven~~ nine electors of the Municipality not holding other public office appointed by Council to serve without compensation for a term of four years. Each member shall be a resident of the Municipality for two years preceding appointment and shall remain a resident during said term. Members shall serve no more than three consecutive four-year terms. At all times, a Council member shall be appointed as liaison to the Hudson Economic Growth Board; however, their term shall not exceed their term of office on Council. Meetings shall be public, except as may be provided by State law. The Hudson Economic Growth Board shall provide assistance and support to the City Manager and the Economic Development Director.

295.02 POWERS AND DUTIES.

The Hudson Economic Growth Board shall:

- (a) Act as an ~~advisor~~ advisory board to the City Manager ~~and the Economic Development Director on the economic impact of proposed developments, as requested, within the City,~~ staff and Council on the major economic development initiatives that are in the process of planning and implementation;
- (b) ~~Assist businesses, both existing and those willing to relocate in the City as requested by the City Manager and the Economic Development Director~~ Provide valuable transition assistance during transitions in staffing;
- (c) ~~Working with the City Manager and the Economic Development Director, as well as other economic development stakeholders, help prepare an economic development strategic plan~~ Act as technical assistance to both the City and its citizens and businesses in economic development matters but especially through the large priority projects;

- (d) ~~Working with the City Manager and the Economic Development Director, help organize events that will provide opportunities to promote economic development both inside and outside the City~~ Work toward the development and dissemination of public education and awareness of what economic development is and why it is important to the Hudson community;
- (e) ~~Working with the City Manager and the Economic Development Director, prepare a long term marketing plan for economic development in the City~~ Assist in organizing events that will provide opportunities to promote economic development;
- (f) Implement performance measures for economic development and, with the ~~Economic Development Director~~ administrative staff, report results to Council on an semi-annual basis; and
- (g) Report to Council as to all matters which the Board and/or ~~Economic Development Director~~ administrative staff has under consideration.”

Section 2: That Sections 295.01, “Composition and Terms,” and Section 295.02, “Powers and Duties,” of the Administrative Code, as they existed prior to the effective date of this Ordinance be, and the same hereby are, repealed.

Section 3: This Ordinance is determined to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the general welfare of the City of Hudson, its citizens, and businesses and by reason of the necessity that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective so that the Economic Growth Board can better serve the economic development needs of the City; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon its passage provided it receives the affirmative vote of five members of Council, except that six affirmative votes shall be required if all members are present; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:

William A. Currin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2015.

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council