

ORDINANCE NO. 13,686

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of Des Moines, 1991, adopted by Ordinance No. 11,651, passed April 15, 1991, as heretofore amended, by repealing paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) of Section 2-205.47 thereof and enacting new paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) of Section 2-205.47, all relating to the Historic District Commission.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of Des Moines, 1991, adopted by Ordinance No. 11,651, passed April 15, 1991, as amended by Ordinance No. 11,788 passed March 9, 1992, as amended by Ordinance No. 11,964 passed April 5, 1993, as amended by Ordinance No. 11,965 passed April 5, 1993, as amended by Ordinance No. 13,010 passed March 28, 1994, as amended by Ordinance No. 13,365 passed August 26, 1996, be and is hereby amended by repealing paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) of Section 2-205.47 thereof and enacting new paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) of Section 2-205.47, all relating to the Historic District Commission, as follows:

2-205.47. HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION.

(a) A historic district commission is hereby created. The commission shall consist of two at-large members and three residents from each designated historic district. At the time of their appointment, each of the two at-large members shall have at least one of the following professional qualifications: architect, urban planner, structural or civil engineer, historian, sociologist, real estate broker or builder. The commission shall endeavor to provide the city council with a list of qualified candidates willing to accept appointment to the commission whenever an appointment to the commission is anticipated or necessary.

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(c) The commission annually, during December, shall elect a chair and vice chair from among its members. The community development department is hereby designated as the secretary and staff of the commission; and the office of the community development department shall be the office of the commission.

(d) The meetings of the commission shall be held at the call of the chair and at such other times as the commission or its staff may determine. All meetings of the commission shall be open to the public. The commission shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member on each question, or if absent and failing to vote, indicating that fact, and shall keep written records of its other official actions, all of which shall be on file in the office of the community development department and shall be a public record. A majority of the membership of the commission shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

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Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

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