

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE ANNETTE, MISSOURI TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO FORGO ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR A PERIOD OF SIX YEARS IF THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FILING EQUAL THE NUMBER OF SEATS UP FOR ELECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 115.124 RSMo.

WHEREAS, Section 115.124 RSMo. Was repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof effective August 28, 2014.

WHEREAS, Section 115.124 RSMo. Applies to any city, town, or village with a population of two thousand or less.

WHEREAS, the governing body may pass an ordinance calling for an election for the qualified voters to decide whether to forego annual municipal elections for six years if the number of candidates filing equals the number of seats up for election in accordance with Section 115.124 RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF LAKE ANNETTE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Clerk and all other officers of the City of Lake Annette are here authorized and directed to authorize the appropriate election office of the State of Missouri to issue the necessary lawful notices and prepare the appropriate ballots in order to submit the provision of this Ordinance to the voters of the City of Lake Annette for their approval or rejection at an election to be held on April 2, 2019. The ballot language shall be:

YES _____	Shall the City of Lake Annette, Missouri, be authorized to forgo annual elections if the number of candidates who have filed for office is equal to the number of positions in the office to be filled by the election.
NO _____	

The voter who desires to vote in favor of said question shall place a cross mark on the line opposite the word "YES". The voter who desires to vote against said ordinance shall place a cross mark opposite the word "NO".

SECTION 2. If the majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters are in favor of the question, then the City of Lake Annette shall conduct its municipal elections for the following six years immediately thereafter in accordance with Section 115.124 RSMo. At the end of such six-year period it shall be prohibited from conducting elections in such a manner unless another election is held and the issue is again approved by the majority of the qualified voters.

SECTION 3. If no election is held for such office as provided in this section the City Clerk shall publish a notice containing the names of the candidates that shall assume the responsibilities of office under this section. Such notice shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation as defined in Section 493.050 RSMo. By the first of the month in which the election would have occurred, had it been contested.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.


SECTION 5. A copy of this ordinance shall be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk.

SECTION 6. All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval, subject to voter approval as herein above set forth.

Read two times by title only and passed by the Board of Aldermen on this 4th day of December, 2018.

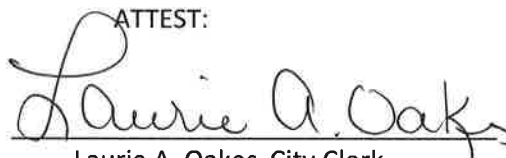
APPROVED:



Angela Hansen, Mayor
12/4/18

Date

ATTEST:



Laurie A. Oakes, City Clerk