

**CODE OF THE CITY
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PREFACE

This Code constitutes a complete recodification of the ordinances of the City of Forsyth of a general and permanent nature.

Source materials used in the preparation of the Code were the 1967 Forsyth Code, as supplemented through May 7, 1973, and ordinances subsequently adopted by the City Council. The source of each section is included in the history note appearing in the parentheses at the end thereof. The absence of such a note indicates that the section is new and was adopted for the first time with the adoption of the Code. By use of the Comparative Tables appearing in the back of this volume, the reader can locate any section of the 1967 Code, as so supplemented, and any subsequent ordinance included herein.

The chapters of the Code have been conveniently arranged in alphabetical order and the sections within each chapter are catchlined to facilitate usage. Footnotes which tie related sections of the Code together and what refer to correlative Charter provisions and relevant state laws have been included. A table listing the state law citations and setting forth their location within the Code is included at the back of this volume.

Numbering System

The numbering system used in this Code is the same system used in many state and local government codes. Each section number consists of two component parts separated by a dash, the figure before the dash representing the chapter number and the figure after the dash indicating the position of the section within the chapter. Thus, the first section of Chapter 1 is numbered 1-1 and the second section of Chapter 2 is 2-2. Under this system, each section is identified with its chapter and at the same time, new sections or even whole chapters can be inserted in their proper places, simply by using the decimal system for amendments. By way of illustration: If new material consisting of three sections that would logically come between sections 5-2 and 5-3 is desired to be added, such new sections would be numbered 5-2.1, 5-2.2, and 5-2.3, respectively. New chapters may be included in the same manner. If the new material is to be included between Chapters 12 and 13, it will be designated as Chapter 12.5. Care should be taken that the alphabetical arrangement of chapters is maintained when including new chapters. New articles and new divisions may be included in the same way or, in the case of articles, may be placed at the end of the chapter embracing the subject, and in the case of divisions, may be placed at the end of the article embracing the subject, the next successive number being assigned to the article or division.

Indices

The indices have been prepared with the greatest of care. Each particular item has been placed under several headings, some of the headings being couched in lay phraseology, others in legal terminology, and still others in language generally used by municipal officials and employees. There are numerous cross-references within the indices which stand as guideposts to direct the user to the particular item in which he is interested.

Loose-leaf Supplements

A special feature of this Code is the loose-leaf system of binding and supplement service, by which the Code will be kept up-to-date periodically. Upon the final passage of amendatory ordinances, they will

be properly edited and the page or pages affected will be reprinted. These new pages will be distributed to holders of copies of the Code, with instructions for the manner of inserting the new pages and deleting the obsolete pages.

The successful maintenance of this Code up-to-date at all times will depend largely upon the holder of the volume. As revised sheets are received, it will then become the responsibility of the holder to have the amendments inserted according to the attached instructions. It is strongly recommended by the publishers that all such amendments be inserted immediately upon receipt to avoid misplacing them and, in addition, that all deleted pages be saved and filed for historical reference purposes.

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