ORDINANCE NO. 553

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PROCEDURE TO ENACT ORDINANCES; SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THIS ORDINANCE; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

SECTION 1: Ordinances; procedures to enact.

The style of the ordinances of the city shall be: "*Be it ordained by the board of aldermen of the city of Wood Heights, Missouri, as follows:*" No ordinance shall be passed except by bill, and no bill shall become an ordinance unless on its final passage a majority of the members elected to the board of aldermen shall vote for it, and the ayes and nays be entered on the journal. Every proposed ordinance shall be introduced to the board of aldermen in writing and shall be read by title or in full two times prior to passage, both readings may occur at a single meeting of the board of aldermen. If the proposed ordinance is read by title only, copies of the proposed ordinance shall be made available for public inspection prior to the time the bill is under consideration by the board of aldermen. No bill shall become an ordinance until it shall have been signed by the mayor or person exercising the duties of the mayor's office, or shall have been passed over the mayor's veto, as herein provided in Section 2 of this ordinance.

SECTION 2: Bills must be signed; mayor's veto.

Every bill duly passed by the board of aldermen and presented to the major and by him approved shall become an ordinance, and every bill presented as aforesaid, but returned with the mayor's objections thereto, shall stand reconsidered. The board of aldermen shall cause the objections of the mayor to be entered at large upon the journal, and proceed at its convenience to consider the question pending, which shall be in this form: "*Shall the bill pass, the objections of the mayor thereto notwithstanding?*" The vote on this question shall be taken by ayes and nays and the names entered upon the journal, and if two-thirds of all the members-elect shall vote in the affirmative, the city clerk shall certify the fact on the roll, and the bill thus certified shall be deposited with the proper officer, and shall become an ordinance in the same manner and with like effect as if it had received the approval of the mayor. The mayor shall have power to sign or veto any ordinance passed by the board of aldermen; provided, that should he neglect or refuse to sign any ordinance and return the same with his objections, in writing, at the next regular meeting of the board of aldermen, the same shall become a law without his signature.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take effect from and after its date of passage.

Read three times and passed, and approved by the mayor on May 7, 1991.