

## **CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 18**

A CHARTER ORDINANCE REPEALING CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 7 AND PROVIDING A NEW ORDINANCE TO EXEMPT THE CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS FROM K.S.A. 14-205, AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE AND ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON THE SAME SUBJECT FOR PURPOSE OF ALLOWING APPOINTED CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES TO BE NON-RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS:

Section 1. The City of Chetopa, Kansas, by the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5, of the constitution of the State of Kansas, elects to and hereby exempts itself from and makes inapplicable to it K.S.A. 14-205 which are applicable to this city but are not applicable uniformly to all cities, and elects to and hereby does provide substitute and addition provisions as hereafter set forth in this ordinance.

Section 2. The elected officers of the City of Chetopa, Kansas shall be qualified electors of said City and the city may appoint nonresidents as city attorney, municipal judge and as law enforcement officers when deemed necessary, including the appointment of nonresidents who also serve as city attorney, municipal judge or law enforcement officers of another municipality or public agency.

Section 3. All other appointed officers and employees of the City of Chetopa, Kansas shall be a resident of the City of Chetopa, Kansas or live within 10 miles of the city limits in all directions unless approved by the Governing Body of said city.

Section 4. The City Attorney, shall be a qualified elector of the county in which said city is located or of an adjoining county.

Section 5. The removal from City of any elected officer, who is required to be a qualified elector of said City, or the removal from said City of any appointed officer or employee, without approval of the Governing Body, shall occasion a vacancy in such office or position. All vacancies in elected offices are filled by appointment of the Governing Body and will take office for the unexpired term. All vacancies in appointive offices may be filled until the next regular time for appointment by the Mayor with the consent of the council.

Section 6. All provisions of K.S.A. 14-205, not otherwise conflicting with this ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. This charter ordinance shall be published each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper and posted on the city website: [www.chetopa.org](http://www.chetopa.org).

Section 8. This is a charter ordinance and shall take effect sixty-one (61) days following final publication unless a sufficient petition for referendum is filed and a referendum held on the ordinance as provided in Article 12, Section 5, Subsection (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case the ordinance shall become effective if approved by the majority of the electors thereon.

Passed by the Governing Body, not less than two-thirds of the members elected voting in favor thereof, this 16th day of June 2020.

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Toni A. Crumrine  
City Clerk

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Tammy Bushong  
Mayor