

**STATE OF GEORGIA**

**CITY OF HAMPTON**

**ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY THIS 13 DAY OF May, 2025.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-22**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON'S MAYOR AND COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE IV DEPARTMENTS, SECTION 2-146 ENUMERATION; TO ALLOW FOR THE CREATION OF A NEW DEPARTMENT; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hampton (hereinafter "City") is governed by the Mayor and Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hampton provides for the services offered to residents through a list of its recognized departments; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of this Council to create a Utility Department to oversee the water, sewer and electric utilities of the City;

**AND WHEREAS**, it is in the City's best interest to revise the current Code of Ordinances to add a subsection (8) to Section 2-146.

**Section 1. NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that Section 2-146 of the City Code be repealed and recreated so that as recreated, Section 2-146 shall read:

**Sec. 2-146. Enumeration.**

The services of the city shall be provided through the following departments:

- (1) Administration department, under the charge of the city clerk.
- (2) Police department, under the charge of the chief of police.
- (3) Public works department, under the charge of the director of public works.
- (4) Economic development department, under the charge of the economic development director.
- (5) Community development department under the charge of the community development director.
- (6) Finance department, under the charge of the finance director.
- (7) Human resources department under the charge of the human resources director.
- (8) Utilities department, under the charge of the utilities director.

**Section 2.** The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall be codified in a manner consistent with the laws of the State of Georgia and the City of Hampton.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. All Ordinances in conflict herewith are expressly repealed. It is the intention of the governing body, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances, City of Hampton, Georgia, and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered, if necessary, to accomplish such intention.

**Section 5.**

- a. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.
- b. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is severable from every other, section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.
- c. In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or Section of this Ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or Sections of the Ordinance and that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and Sections of the Article shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

**Section 6.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.


**Section 7.** The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the date of adoption unless otherwise specified herein.

**SO ORDAINED**, this 13 day of May, 2025.

**CITY OF HAMPTON, GEORGIA**

  
ANN N. TARPLEY, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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SUSAN KING, Interim City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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L'ERIN BARNES WIGGINS, City Attorney

First Reading: April 8, 2025

Second Reading/

Adoption: May 13, 2025