

ORDINANCE NO. 1571

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 32.020, ENTITLED
"CREATIONS; PURPOSE, MEMBERSHIP" OF THE
2015 ORDINANCE CODE OF THE CITY OF OWATONNA

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OWATONNA, MINNESOTA DO
ORDAIN:

Section 1. Chapter 32.020 entitled "Creations; Purpose; Membership" of the 2015 Ordinance Code of the City of Owatonna establishing the Owatonna Human Rights Commission is hereby amended to include the amended statement as follows:

There is hereby established a Human Rights Commission. The purpose of the Commission is to promote the acceptance of cultural diversity in the city; to promote the elimination of hate, prejudice and discrimination against persons or groups based on race, color, gender, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, familial status, disability, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, and age all as defined in Minnesota Statute §363A.03 (herein "Protected Classes"); to educate the community on issues of discrimination and cultural diversity; to advise the City Council and administration on human rights issues; and to promote the goals and objectives of the State Human Rights Act, Minn. Stat. §§ 363A.01 et seq. The Commission shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. Appointments to the Commission should reflect a broad cross section of the ethnic, cultural, and other diversity of the community. In making appointments, consideration should be given to persons of Protected Classes, including persons of either sex, sexual orientation, various economic levels, racial and ethnic minorities, various age groups including senior citizens and students, property owners and tenants. Of the first seven appointments, three shall be for three years, two shall be for two years and two shall be for one year. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for a term of three years. All members who have served for two full consecutive terms shall not be eligible for reappointment. Members shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. Effective date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

Passed and adopted this 5th day of September, 2017 with the following vote:

Aye 7; No 0; Absent 0.

Approved and signed this 5th day of September, 2017.

ATTEST:


Thomas A. Kuntz, Mayor


Kris M. Busse, City Administrator/City Clerk