

## **ORDINANCE NO. 1485-16**

### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS ESTABLISHING A QUALIFYING FEE FOR CANDIDATES SEEKING THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OR COUNCIL MEMBER, FOR PLACES 1, 2, 3, 4 OR 5 FOR THE 2016 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS AND FUTURE ELECTIONS, BOTH GENERAL AND SPECIAL**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Muscle Shoals that for the purposes of the regular election to be held in 2016 and for the purposes of the filling the office of Mayor and the offices of Members of the City Council for the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama that a qualification fee shall be required to be paid by all candidates for the office of Mayor and members of the City Council as hereinafter set forth.

Section 1. A qualification fee in the amount of Fifty and no/100 (\$50.00) Dollars is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election to the office of Mayor of the City of Muscle Shoals during the regular election of 2016, except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 2. A qualification fee in the amount of Fifty and no/100 (\$50.00) Dollars is hereby fixed and imposed upon all candidates seeking election to the office of Member of the City Council, Places 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 during the regular election of 2016 except as hereinafter provided for.

Section 3. In the event that a person shall file qualification papers and pay the qualification fee for Mayor and/or a place as a Member of the City Council and thereafter seek to file qualification papers for a different office or different place as a Member of the City Council, such person shall be required to pay an additional qualification fee for the office then sought. Furthermore, no person, having filed qualification papers and paid a qualification fee for one office and thereafter seeks to file qualification papers for another office, shall be entitled to either a credit, refund or exemption from the qualification fee for the different office sought.

Section 4. Such qualification fee shall be paid unto the City Clerk and deposited into the General Fund of the City at or prior to the time of filing qualification papers by any such candidates seeking said offices.

Section 5. Any person desiring to qualify to seek said offices who is not financially able to pay the required qualification fee may qualify provided such prospective candidate furnishes the City Clerk with a sworn affidavit stating that he or she is financially unable to pay the required qualification fee fixed and imposed herein and that the payment of such qualification fee will impose an undue financial hardship on him or her.

Section 6. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to Section 11-46-2 of the Code of Alabama of 1975 and shall be effective in all elections, both general and special, for the offices of Mayor and Members of the City Council from and after the date of its adoption.

Section 7. This Ordinance, and its provisions, shall become effective upon publication or posting pursuant to law or as otherwise provided for by law.

**ADOPTED** and **APPROVED** the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2016.

**COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MUSCLE SHOALS,  
ALABAMA**

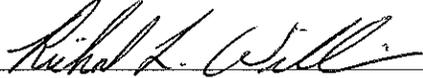
By: Neal Willis  
Neal Willis, Presiding Officer of Council

**ATTEST:**

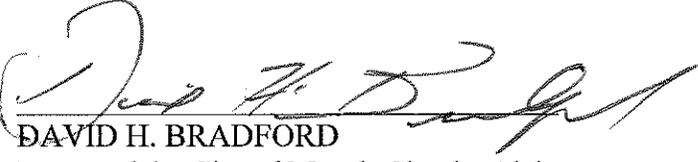
Richard L. Williams  
Richard L. Williams, Its City Clerk

TRANSMITTAL

I hereby certify that the above ordinance was passed on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2016 by the Council of the City of Muscle Shoals and was transmitted to the Mayor on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2016 at 4:00 pm o'clock.

  
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City Clerk

APPROVED on 2/3/16 at 10:00 a m o'clock.

  
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DAVID H. BRADFORD  
Mayor of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama

**CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

I, Richard L. Williams, City Clerk for the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance was duly and properly adopted by the Council of the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama at a regular meeting of the said Council held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2016 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in said City.

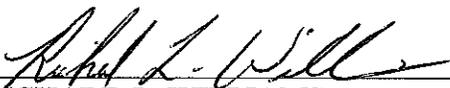
The said Ordinance has been duly and properly published on this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2016, pursuant to and in compliance with Act. 2011-680 of the Acts of Alabama, by posting a copy of said Ordinance at the Office of the Mayor at City Hall in the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama; Muscle Shoals Public Library; Muscle Shoals Recreation Building # 1, Gattman Park; and First Metro Bank, Muscle Shoals Branch; being four conspicuous public places lying and being within the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, there being no newspaper published and of general circulation in the City of Muscle Shoals, Alabama.

I certify that a copy of the said Ordinance has been posted to the City's website which may be found at [www.cityofmuscleshoals.com](http://www.cityofmuscleshoals.com).

Reasonable steps will be undertaken to maintain the postings for not less than thirty (30) days.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2016.



  
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RICHARD L. WILLIAMS  
CITY CLERK