

ORDINANCE NO. 2818-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, REQUIRING A LOCAL CODE OF ETHICS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Winter Park desires to have high ethical standards and heighten awareness with regard to ethics in government; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Winter Park adopted an ordinance on January 28, 2008 establishing an Ethics Board; and

WHEREAS, a review of the City's Charter was recently conducted and a charter amendment question was posed to the citizen and successfully adopted requiring the adoption and maintenance of a local code of ethics.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 48, Article I, "Code of Ethics" of the Code of Ordinances is hereby created to read as follows:

The City of Winter Park will follow and abide by all state law related to ethics and ethical issues, including but not limited to the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, as provided in Part III of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes (Sections 112.311, *et seq.*). The City of Winter Park will also follow and abide by all future modifications to state laws related to ethics and ethical issues.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 48, Article II "Enforcement" of the Code of Ordinances is hereby created to read as follows:

The City of Winter Park will utilize the State enforcement agency, currently known as the State Commission on Ethics, to evaluate concerns raised. Persons interested in filing a complaint shall do so within the process established by the State.

SECTION 3. That Chapter 48, Article III "Education" of the Code of Ordinances is hereby created to read as follows:

The City of Winter Park will annually offer ethics education to its elected officials, appointed board and committee members, department heads, and

employees higher on the personnel chart than department heads, in conjunction with one or more new member orientation meetings.

Further, the City of Winter Park will encourage its residents and community members to be familiar with the state laws regarding ethics and ethical issues and ask that these residents and community members voluntarily comply with the intent and spirit of the law.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any Section or portion of a Section of this Ordinance proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other Section or part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Conflicts. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Codification. It is the intention of the City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Winter Park, Florida; that the Sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intention; that the word, "Ordinance" may be changed to "Section," "Article," or other appropriate word.

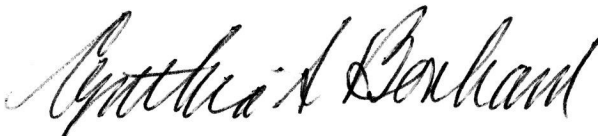
SECTION 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final passage and adoption.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida, held in City Hall, Winter Park, on this ___ day of ___ 2010.



Mayor Kenneth W. Bradley

ATTEST:



City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham