

ORDINANCE NO: 780

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 2-51 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALMA REGARDING PERSONS ADDRESSING THE CITY COMMISSION

The City Of Alma Ordains:

Section 1. Section 2-51 of the Ordinances of the City of Alma is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-51. - Order, decorum—Preservation.

- (a) *Commission members.* Whenever the commission is in session, the members must preserve order and decorum, and a member shall neither, by conversation or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings of the peace of the commission nor disturb any member while speaking or refuse to obey the orders of the commission or its presiding officer, except as otherwise herein provided.
- (b) *Other persons.* Any person addressing the commission shall do so without the use of profanity or defamatory remarks. Any person addressing the commission in violation of these requirements shall be forthwith, by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the commission, unless permission to continue is granted by a majority vote of the commission.

Section 2. **Separability.** If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 3. **Ordinances Repealed.** All ordinances and/or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force fifteen days from and after its enactment as provided by the City Charter.

Passed and approved by the City Commission of the City of Alma, Michigan, in regular session, held November 24, 2015.

We, the undersigned, Mayor and Clerk of the City of Alma, Michigan, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance, known as Ordinance No.780 of the City of Alma, Michigan, was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Commission, held on October 27, 2015, and was thereafter passed at a regular meeting on November 24, 2015, at least two weeks elapsing between the introduction and the enactment.

Dated at Alma, Michigan, this 24th day of November, 2015.

Melvin A. Nyman, Mayor

Barbara A. Gager, City Clerk

I, the undersigned, City Clerk, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and above Ordinance No. 780 of the City of Alma, Michigan, is a true and compared copy of the original ordinance, now on file in my office, and of the whole thereof; that the same was published within 10 days from its adoption in the Morning Sun, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in the City of Alma, Michigan, on November 27, 2015 and that the Affidavit of Publication thereof is now on file in my office and is a part of the original records pertaining to the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.3 and 5.5 of Chapter V of the Charter of Alma, Michigan, the foregoing ordinance shall take effect 15 days after its enactment as aforesaid.

Dated November 27, 2015 at Alma, Michigan. _____

Barbara A. Gager, City Clerk