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ORDINANCE NO. 2590

(Codified)

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICO
AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE 2 OF THE CHICO MUNICIPAL CODE
DESIGNATING THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
BOARD A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, as part of its review of the roles and responsibilities of the City’s Boards and Commissions earlier this year, the City Council directed staff to proceed with Municipal Code amendments necessary for the Planning Commission to assume the responsibilities of the Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board (ARHPB); and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the Chico Municipal Code it was determined that only minor changes to Title 2 are necessary to restructure and redefine the ARHPB as a subcommittee of the Planning Commission.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Chico:

SECTION 1. Section 2.52.020 of the Chico Municipal Code is amended as follows:

2.52.020 Functions, generally.

The functions of the planning commission shall include the following powers and duties:

A. To prepare and recommend for adoption by the council, a comprehensive, long-term general plan, and any amendments thereto or revisions thereof, for the physical development of the city and of any land outside its boundaries which in the commission's judgment bears relation to the physical development of the city; and to include in the general plan such of the elements described in the planning law of the state, or any other elements, as may be required in the commission's judgment;

B. To prepare and recommend for adoption by the council, precise plans based on the general plan as may be required, in the commission's judgment, for the systematic implementation of the general plan;

C. To perform such duties in reference to zoning and subdivision matters as may be authorized by this code and by such state laws as are not in conflict therewith;

1 D. To perform such duties as may be authorized by such laws as are not in conflict
2 with the provisions of the Charter or the code of this city;

3 E. To provide a subcommittee to perform the duties described in Chapter 2.56
4 (Architectural Review and Historic Preservation Board); and

5 F. To perform such other duties as the council may require pertaining to planning.

6 **SECTION 2.** Section 2.56.030 of the Chico Municipal Code is amended as follows:

7 **2.56.030 Composition – Qualification of members – Ex officio members.**

8 A. Regular members. The architectural review and historic preservation board shall
9 consist of three regular members, two of whom are engaged in the visual arts field such as
10 architects, landscape architects, artists, or designers and at least one of whom have professional
11 experience in the disciplines of architecture, history, architectural history, planning, archeology,
12 or other historic preservation-related disciplines, such as urban planning, American studies,
13 American civilization, cultural geography, or cultural anthropology, to the extent that such persons
14 exist on the Planning Commission and are otherwise qualified to serve on the board. In addition,
15 all members shall have a demonstrated interest or competence in, or knowledge of, historic
16 preservation, American studies, cultural anthropology, cultural geography, or other historic
17 preservation-related disciplines.

18 B. [NO CHANGES]

19 **SECTION 3.** Section 2.56.040 of the Chico Municipal Code is amended as follows:

20 **2.56.040 Members’ terms of office.**

21 Members of the architectural review and historic preservation board shall be elected by the
22 planning commission as a subcommittee of the planning commission to serve for a term of two
23 years and until their respective successors are duly appointed and qualified.

24 **SECTION 4.** Section 2.56.050 of the Chico Municipal Code is amended as follows:

25 **2.56.050 Regular meeting – Time.**

26 Subsequent to the biennial selection of new board members, the architectural review and
27 historic preservation board shall set a weekday and a time for regular monthly meetings.

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1 **SECTION 5.** Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word
2 of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid and/or unconstitutional by a court of
3 competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this
4 Ordinance.

5 **SECTION 6.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective thirty days following
6 adoption.

7 **SECTION 7.** Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of
8 this Ordinance and shall cause the same to be published or posted in the manner required by law.

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10 **THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE** was adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the
11 City of Chico on July 5, 2023, by the following vote:

12 AYES: Bennett, Morgan, van Overbeek, Reynolds, Coolidge


13 NOES: Winslow

14 ABSENT: Tandon

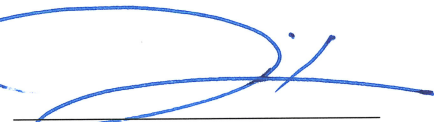
15 ABSTAINED: None

16 DISQUALIFIED: None

17 ATTEST:

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19 _____
20 Deborah R. Presson
21 City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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20 Vincent C. Ewing, City Attorney*

*Pursuant to The Charter of
the City of Chico, Section 906(E)