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AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION, ESTABLISHING THE MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF APPOINTEES TO SAID COMMISSION AND AMENDING TITLE 2 (BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) OF THE ORLAND PARK VILLAGE CODE

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WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village have determined that a Technology Commission should be created and established to advise the Village Board of Trustees as to all aspects of technology implementation and management, planning, information sharing, innovation and to promote scientific endeavors and research facilities within the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Orland Park, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, an Illinois home rule municipality, as follows:

SECTION 1:

The Village Code of the Village of Orland Park is hereby amended to add a new Chapter 21 to Title 2 providing as follows:

“2-21-1: ESTABLISHMENT:

A Technology Commission (“Commission”) is hereby created for the Village.

2-21-2: MEMBERSHIP; TERM; COMPENSATION:

The Commission shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Mayor, subject to the advice and consent of the Board of Trustees. The appointments will be made on the basis of areas of interest or expertise in a technological or scientific background. Each Commission member must be a resident of the Village.

1. Members of the Commission shall be appointed for one (1) year terms and until their respective successors have been appointed, which terms shall begin on the first Monday in _____ and expire on the first Monday in _____ of the following year. The Mayor may remove any member for any reason whatsoever, subject to the approval of the Village Board. Vacancies on the Commission shall be filled as soon as possible for the unexpired term of the member whose place has become vacant, whether by removal or otherwise.

2. If a member without a valid reason fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings of the Commission or fails to attend one-half of the total of all Commission meetings scheduled or called during any twelve (12) month period, and if a majority of the remaining members of the Commission vote to declare the position of such member vacant, then such member shall likewise be deemed to have resigned from the Commission.

3. Commission members shall serve without compensation.

2-21-3: CHAIRPERSON OF ADVISORY BOARD:

The Commission shall select from its membership a chairperson who shall serve for a term of one (1) year and may be re-elected to that position.

2-21-4: POWERS AND DUTIES:

The Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

1. To act as an advisory commission to the Board of Trustees.
2. To review, evaluate and identify present and future activities in order to develop and implement a strategic technology plan for the Village, and to report annually to the Village, in writing, giving a comprehensive and current review of Orland Park technology management and implementation activities.
3. To review and evaluate present and future availability of real and personal property of importance to the Village in advancing the technological capabilities of Village staff.
4. To recommend amendments to the Village Code and/or Land Development Code so as to eliminate unnecessary impediments to the implementation of technological strategies and to improve efficiencies in Village operations.
5. To conduct public information programs on advances in science and technology which may be of interest and use to Village residents and businesses in their daily activities.

2-21-5: MEETINGS:

The Commission may establish rules concerning procedure, meeting and operation of the Commission. The rules shall be consistent with the rules of the Village Board and shall also be in accord with all other codes, ordinances, and resolutions of the Village and applicable law.

1. All meetings of the Commission shall be open to the public and in conformance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
2. A quorum for any meeting shall be a majority of all duly appointed members of the Commission.
3. The Commission shall meet at the call of its Chair, but not less frequently than once every quarter.
4. The Commission shall keep written records of all its meetings and proceedings, in conformance with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.”

SECTION 2:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption as provided by law.