

CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
ORDINANCE NO. 3164

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COLUMBIA MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING
CHAPTER 2.68.575 (PROHIBITION OF OPERATING CITY-OWNED VEHICLES OR
MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT) TO THE CITY PERSONNEL CODE**


City Clerk

WHEREAS, Title 2, Section 2.68, of the City of Columbia Municipal Code of Ordinances ("City Code") establishes a Personnel Code setting forth the various requirements, duties, and expectations of City employees; and

WHEREAS, The activity of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and/or Drugs is a serious violation of the law presenting a danger to City employees and the general public leading to the potential loss of life and liability for the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the best interest of the City, and desires to amend Title 2, Section 2.68, of the City Code to include a policy addressing the activity of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and/or Drugs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Columbia, as follows:

Section 1. The preceding recitations in the upper part of this Ordinance are re-alleged, restated and adopted as paragraph one ("1") of this Ordinance.

Section 2. Title 2, Section 2.68, of the City of Columbia Municipal Code is amended to include the following Chapter 2.68.575, and shall heretofore be as follows:

**Chapter 2.68.575 Prohibition of operating city-owned vehicles or
motorized equipment.**

An employee who is required to operate a city-owned vehicle or motorized equipment as part of his or her job responsibilities shall be discharged if he or she has been convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. An individual who has applied for a position that requires the operation of a city-owned vehicle or motorized equipment as part of the position's job responsibilities will be disqualified from obtaining employment if he or she has been convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs within five (5) years prior to application or has at least two (2) convictions for driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect following its passage by the Corporate Authorities and publication as required by law.

Alderman Ebersohl moved the adoption of the above and foregoing Ordinance; the motion was seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, and the roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Reis and Holtkamp.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Alderman Mathews.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 2nd day of February, 2015.


KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON, Mayor

ATTEST:


Wesley J. Hoeffken, City Clerk

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