

1 Introduced by Councilman Roberts at the request of the Mayor  
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4 ORDINANCE 72-618-314

5 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 7.306 OF  
 6 THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE  
 7 ESTABLISHING THE LEGAL DIVISION; AMENDING  
 8 THE CHARTER BY ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT  
 9 TO BE KNOWN AS THE OFFICE OF GENERAL  
 10 COUNSEL AND PRESCRIBING THE DUTIES AND  
 11 FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE; REPEALING PART  
 12 2 OF CHAPTER 12 OF THE ORDINANCE CODE OF  
 13 THE CITY, RELATING TO THE LEGAL DIVISION  
 14 AND ADDING CHAPTER 23 TO THE ORDINANCE CODE  
 15 RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL;  
 16 AMENDING SECTIONS 7.301 AND 7.303 OF THE  
 17 CHARTER TO CONFORM HEREWITH; PROVIDING A  
 18 TRANSITION PERIOD AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

19 BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

20 Section 1. Legal Division Abolished. Section 7.306 of  
 21 the Charter of the City of Jacksonville, relating to the Legal  
 22 Division, is repealed. Sections 7.301 and 7.303 of the Charter,  
 23 relating to Central Services, are amended to read as follows:

24 Section 7.301. General. The central services department  
 25 shall include the purchasing, motor pool, information systems,  
 26 information services and communications divisions. The director  
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of central services shall be the head of the central services department and shall have the responsibility for the management, operation and control of all central services established by the consolidated government and furnished to all independent agencies, except the services of the personnel department and the office of general counsel.

Section 7.303. Utilization of Central Services. All of the services provided by the central services department and the personnel department and the office of general counsel shall be utilized by all offices, departments and boards of the consolidated government and by all independent agencies, except when otherwise provided by law or directed by the council or by this charter. For the purposes of utilization of central services by independent agencies the services of the personnel department and the office of general counsel shall be deemed to be services of the central services department of the city. Independent agencies shall compensate the consolidated government for all services provided to the independent agencies.

Section 2. Office of General Counsel Established.  
The Charter of the City of Jacksonville is amended by adding the following Chapter 11, in Article 7, establishing the Office of General Counsel:

CHAPTER 11  
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL  
7.1101 Office Established. There is established a



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2 services as the General Counsel shall determine, and the Council  
3 shall approve, to be reasonable compensation for the services to  
4 be rendered.

5 7.1103 Corporation Secretary. Subject to applicable  
6 civil service laws and rules, the General Counsel shall designate  
7 one of his employees as Corporation Secretary.

8 7.1104 Duties of Corporation Secretary. The Corporation  
9 Secretary shall be responsible for the custody and safekeeping  
10 of such records of the office of the Mayor as the Mayor shall  
11 designate and for the performance of such additional duties as  
12 may be delegated to him by the Mayor. The Corporation Secretary  
13 is authorized and entitled to keep in his possession a duplicate  
14 official seal of the City, and to affix the seal on all papers  
15 and documents necessary to be executed by the Mayor and on all  
16 certified copies of public records of which he has custody.

17 Section 3. Ordinance Code Amended. Part 2 of Chapter 12  
18 of the Ordinance Code of the City of Jacksonville, relating to  
19 the Legal Division, is repealed. The Ordinance Code is amended  
20 by adding the foregoing Chapter 11, in Article 7, as Chapter 23  
21 of the Ordinance Code.

22 Section 4. Transition Period. On the effective date  
23 of this ordinance:

24 (a) The Division Chief of the Legal Division abolished  
25 hereby shall serve as General Counsel, and all Assistant Counsel  
26 and employees of the Legal Division abolished hereby shall become  
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Assistant Counsel and employees of the Office of General Counsel;  
and

(b) The budget for the Legal Division for the fiscal year  
1971-1972 shall become the budget for the Office of General Counsel  
for the remainder of that fiscal year.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance becomes  
effective on the first day of the first full pay period of the  
City after signature by the Mayor or after otherwise becoming  
effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form approved:

  
Assistant Counsel

  
Chief Legislative Counsel

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ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL  
JULY 25, 19 72

APPROVED July 28, 19 72

  
HANS G. TANZLER, JR., MAYOR

ATTEST  


DAVID C. MacNAMARA  
SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL

