

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 14-10**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, ADOPTING “ARTICLE IX – CODE OF ETHICS FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS” BY REFERENCE AS ARTICLE IX OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE MARICOPA CITY CODE AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.**

**WHEREAS**, that certain document known as the “Article IX – Code of Ethics for Boards, Committees and Commissions” was adopted as a public record by Resolution No. 14-31 on September 16, 2014;

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa believe, after consultation with its staff, that amending the City Code by adopting Article IX of Chapter 2 would be in the best interest of the City of Maricopa; and

**WHEREAS**, A.R.S. §9-802 allows a City to adopt a public record by Ordinance as a means to reduce publication costs while ensuring that the public gets fair notice and opportunity to review its operative provisions;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 9-802, that certain document known as “ARTICLE IX – Code of Ethics for Boards, Committees and Commissions” of Chapter 2 of the Maricopa City Code, three copies of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, which document was made a public record by Resolution No. 14-31 of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, is hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof as if fully set out in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** “Article IX – Code of Ethics for Boards, Committees and Commissions”, which was made public record by Resolution No. 14-31 of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, is hereby inserted in Chapter 2 of the Maricopa City Code.

**SECTION 3.** Article IX, entitled Code of Ethics for Boards, Committees and Commissions, of Chapter 2 of the Code of the City of Maricopa contains the following sanctions for any member of a Board, Committee or Commission found in violation of the Code of Ethics:

- (a) Warning
- (b) Letter of reprimand
- (c) A demand for non-monetary restitution (e.g., a public apology, the return of gifts); and/or
- (d) Removal by Council based on a majority vote.

Serious infractions of the Code of Ethics or other intentional and repeated conduct in violation of this Article IX may result in other sanctions as deemed appropriate by Council. Violations of state law provisions described herein shall be punished as provided for in state law. The language used in imposing sanctions will be consistent and follow a specific format as established by the Council.

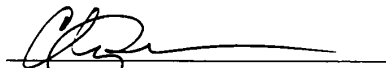
**SECTION 4.** To the extent of any conflict between other City Ordinances and this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall be deemed to be controlling; provided, however, that this Ordinance is not intended to amend or repeal any existing City Ordinance, Resolution or regulation except as expressly set forth herein.

**SECTION 5.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

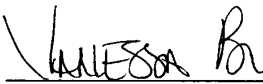
**SECTION 6.** This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from the date of adoption by the City Council for the City of Maricopa.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

APPROVED:

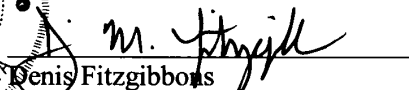
  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Vanessa Bueras, CMC  
City Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Denis Fitzgibbons  
City Attorney