

CHAPTER 15A

Library

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(a) The Council has the power to provide for the erection and maintenance of public libraries and to make and fix the appropriations therefor, per the *Charter of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado* (1914), Article IV, Section 15.

(b) In the exercise of such power, the Council has established, operated and maintained the Fort Morgan Public Library, in whole or in part with money derived from taxation, and which is a public library for the free use of the public for its collection and technology. (Ord. 626, §1(part); Ord. 978, §1)

Sec. 15A-2. Fort Morgan Public Library Board.

(a) There is hereby established an advisory board consisting of not fewer than five (5), nor more than seven (7) persons, all of whom shall be residents of the City, to advise and assist the Council in the establishment, maintenance and operation of the Fort Morgan Public Library. The Library Board shall have the following duties, responsibilities, functions and privileges:

(1) Recommend for approval and adoption by the City Council such bylaws, not inconsistent with the *Charter* and ordinances of the City, for the governance of the Library Board in its internal affairs.

(2) Prepare and submit to the City Council a Master Plan for the operation, development and enhancement of the Fort Morgan Public Library.

(3) By September 1 of each year, set annual priorities consistent with the Master Plan and assist the Library Director in the development of a proposed budget for the Library to be recommended to the City Council.

(4) Work with the Library Director in the exercise of the supervision, care and custody of all property of the Library. Make recommendations to the City Manager for the use of all property of the Library, including hours of operation.

(5) Advise the Library Director in the administration of such gifts of money or property as may be granted to and accepted by the City Council for Library purposes. Take such steps as the Library Board deems appropriate and feasible to encourage grants and gifts in support of the Library.

(6) Advise the City Manager in the selection and employment of a Library Director. The Library Board shall evaluate the performance of the Library Director in a manner that is consistent with his or her evaluation by the City. All such evaluations shall be forwarded to the Director of Human Resources and may be incorporated into the City's annual evaluation of the Library Director.

(7) Adopt rules and regulations, including a schedule of fines, for the use of the Library, as the Library Board deems necessary and appropriate. Upon such terms and conditions as the Library Board may approve, nonresidents of the City may be allowed use of the Library's materials and

equipment and the Library may make exchanges of books and other materials with any other library, either permanently or temporarily.

(8) Authorize the purchase of library materials and equipment on the recommendation of the Library Director and as appropriated by the City Council, consistent with the Procurement Policy of the City. Review the Library Director's disbursement of the library funds as appropriated by the City Council.

(9) After the close of each calendar year, the Library Director and the Library Board shall make a written report to the City Council showing the condition of the Library, the sums of money expended and the purpose of the expenditures. The report shall include such other statistics and information as the Library Board deems of public interest and as may be requested by the State Librarian. The report may include the recommendations of the Library Board concerning future operations of the Library. A copy of this report shall also be filed with the State Librarian.

(10) The Library Board may also approve such policies as it shall deem necessary and appropriate to govern the use of the Fort Morgan Public Library and its facilities, consistent with other policies of the City, and to do and perform such other advisory acts as may be necessary for the orderly and efficient management and control of the Library.

(b) In January 2004, seven (7) members of the Library Board shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the City Council. One (1) member shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year; two (2) members shall be appointed for terms of two (2) years; two (2) members shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years; and two (2) members shall be appointed for terms of four (4) years each. Thereafter, in January of each year as such terms expire, a member or members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the City Council to a term or terms of four (4) years each. A member may not serve more than two (2) consecutive four-year terms. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term as soon as possible in the same manner in which members are appointed.

A member of the City Council shall also be appointed by the Mayor as an ex officio non-voting member of the Library Board with the consent and approval of the City Council for an indefinite term to continue at the pleasure of the Mayor and Council. (Ord. 626, §1(part); Ord. 978, §1; Ord. 1058, §2)