## **ORDINANCE NO. 2775**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDLANDS AMENDING CHAPTER 2.64 OF THE REDLANDS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION AND OPERATION OF THE CITY'S CITRUS GROVES

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDLANDS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> Chapter 2.64 of the Redlands Municipal Code, entitled "Citrus Preservation Commission," is hereby amended to read as follows:

## "Chapter 2.64 CITRUS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

2.64.010	EXISTENCE:
2.64.020	MEMBERSHIP:
2.64.030:	MEMBERS; FORFEITURE OF OFFICE BY ABSENCE:
2.64.040:	ORGANIZATION:
2.64.050:	POWERS AND DUTIES:

2.64.010: EXISTENCE: There is a citrus preservation commission established which shall make recommendations and advise the City Council regarding the acquisition, improvement, preservation and retention of citrus properties within the City.

2.64.020: MEMBERSHIP: The citrus preservation commission shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the mayor with the approval of the City Council. Four (4) members shall each serve a four (4) year term, and three (3) members shall each serve a two (2) year term; and each member thereafter shall serve for a staggered four (4) year term until his or her successor is appointed. Vacancies on the commission shall be filled by appointment by the mayor with the approval of the City Council of the unexpired portion of the term. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation, and shall be neither a member of any other standing commission, board or committee of the City nor an employee thereof. The City Council may remove any member of the commission at any time, without cause, by a majority vote of the members of the City Council. Four (4) members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

2.64.030: MEMBERS; FORFEITURE OF OFFICE BY ABSENCE: Any commissioner who is absent from any three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the commission, unless excused from such attendance by consent of the commission expressed by action of record in its minutes, shall automatically forfeit his or her office as a member of the commission.

2.64.040: ORGANIZATION: The commissioners shall, upon their appointment, organize and elect a chairman for the term of one year, and such other officers as the commissioners may deem advisable, and shall make such rules and regulations, and establish such subcommittees as are reasonable or necessary to fulfill the obligations and duties of the commission.

The commission shall meet at least monthly. There shall be a member of city staff, appointed by the city manager, who shall serve as an ex officio member of the commission, attend all meetings of the commission and shall act as a staff liaison for the city manager and the city council.

- 2.64.050: POWERS AND DUTIES: The citrus preservation commission shall recommend to the city manager and the city council policies for the acquisition, improvement, preservation and retention of citrus properties within the city. The commission shall have regular meeting dates in compliance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act and shall keep records of all of its acts and proceedings. In addition to the foregoing, the commission shall have the following specific powers and duties:
- A. The commission shall supply farming expertise and management to the commercial farming companies retained by the city to farm the city's citrus groves. The commission shall periodically update the city council on the performance of the farming companies and shall make recommendation to the city council regarding the performance of such companies.
- B. The commission shall have the authority and responsibility to advise City staff on the oversight and coordination of the marketing of crops produced from the city's citrus groves, for the benefit of the city; provided, however, that the Commission shall have no authority to expend any funds, incur any expenses or enter into any contractual obligations on behalf of the City.
- C. The commission shall have the authority and responsibility to advise City staff regarding the day to day operations associated with the management of the city's groves; provided, however, that the Commission shall have no authority to expend any funds, incur any expenses or enter into any contractual obligations on behalf of the City.
- D. City staff shall supply the commission with monthly invoices, packing house statements, financial reports and other data reasonably necessary for the Commission to carry out its responsibilities. It is the goal of the city to sustain its citrus heritage by operating its citrus groves and marketing its crops in a manner consistent with best practices of commercial citrus growers in the area. The commission shall review, monthly, the farming and financial operations associated with the city's citrus groves and provide recommendations to the city staff and city council to achieve the goal of well operated and managed commercial groves from both financial and farming practices perspectives.
- E. The commission with assistance from staff shall provide the city council with an annual report on the operational and financial aspects of the citrus groves, including unaudited financial data with comparisons to previous year and to budget along with explanations for significant variances. The report shall include a management forecast for coming months to the extent practical. The reports shall be provided to the city council no later than the council's second meeting in January."
- Section 2. The Mayor shall sign this ordinance and the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause it, or a summary of it, to be published once in the

Redlands Daily Facts, a newspaper of general circulation within the City, and thereafter, this ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Pete Aguilar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sam Irwin, City Clerk

I, Sam Irwin, City Clerk, City of Redlands, hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the City Council at the regular meeting thereof, held on the 20th day of March 2012, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Harrison, Bean, Foster, Gardner; Mayor Aguilar

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Sam Irwin, City Clerk