

ORDINANCE NO.: _____

**ORDINANCE TO CONSOLIDATE THE DIVISIONS OF PUBLIC SERVICES
AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT WITH
THE DIVISION OF PARK SERVICES**

WHEREAS, In February 2011 the Strategic Business Model Assessment Committee recommended that the Divisions of Public Services, Parks and Community Enhancement be consolidated into one division; and

WHEREAS, The Administration has looked at that proposal with internal staff over the last year and determined that such action is prudent and in the best interest of City of Memphis operations; and

WHEREAS, The consolidation of these divisions will provide better coordination of services where there is overlap between the three divisions and other agencies inside and outside of city government; and

WHEREAS, The Administration has determined that cost savings may not be large; however, savings may be realized with the elimination of some duplicative services and potential alternative service delivery approaches; and

WHEREAS, Per Section 8 of Home Rule Ordinance No. 1852 (commonly known as the “Pop Charter”), the Council upon proposal by the Mayor may by ordinance reorganize and transfer departments and agencies from one division to another; add or abolish departments and agencies within divisions; or add divisions; and

WHEREAS, the Administration proposes that each department within the Divisions of Public Services and Community Enhancement be transferred to the Division of Park Services thereby resulting in the consolidation of such divisions into one division.

NOW THEREFORE,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, that the departments within the Divisions of Public Services and Community Enhancement are hereby transferred to the Division of Park Services and that the Mayor is hereby authorized to take any and all such action necessary to effectuate such transfer.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby severable. If any of these sections, provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases or parts is held unconstitutional or void, the remainder of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date it shall have been passed by the City Council, signed by the

Chairman of the Council, certified and delivered to the Office of the Mayor in writing by the Comptroller, and become effective as otherwise provided by law.

Bill Morrison, Chairman
Memphis City Council