

ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

Sec. 2-1. - Official city seal.

- (a) *Defined.* The official seal of the city shall mean the city's identifying symbol, a copy of which is on file in the office of the city clerk.
- (b) *Execution and acknowledgment of written instruments.* Whenever it shall be necessary for the city, under the authority of the city council, its Charter or Code, and the general laws of the state, to execute contracts, deeds, or other documents on behalf of the city, the official seal of the city may be affixed to such contracts, deeds or other documents.
- (c) *Prohibition.* It shall be unlawful and a violation of this section for any person, firm, corporation or other legal entity to print for the purpose of sale or distribution or advertisement, circulate, publish, use or offer for sale any letters, papers, documents or items of merchandise, or simulate the official seal of the city, without the expressed written authority of the city manager or city council.
- (d) *Exceptions.* The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to the city, its officials, departments, employees, instrumentalities, or advisory boards, acting within the scope of their official capacities.
- (e) *Penalty.* Pursuant to F.S. § 165.043, a violation of this section constitutes a second-degree misdemeanor, punishable as provided in F.S. § 775.082 or 775.083.

(Ord. No. 2004-09-025, § 2, 3-24-2004)

State Law reference— Official seal, F.S. § 165.043.

Sec. 2-2. - Official city logos.

- (a) *Defined.* The official logos of the city shall mean the city's identifying symbols which are on file in the city clerk's office.
- (b) *Use for official city purposes.* The official city logos should be used whenever it is necessary for the city to identify equipment, facilities, documents, etc.
- (c)

Prohibition. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this section for any person to print for the purpose or sale or distribution or advertisement, circulate, publish, use of offer for sale any letters, papers, documents or items of merchandise containing city logos, or simulate the official logos of the city without the expressed written authority of the city manager or city council.

(d) *Exceptions.* The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to the city, its officials, departments, employees, instrumentalities, or advisory boards, acting within the scope of their official capacities.

(e) *Penalty.* Pursuant to F.S. § 165.043, a violation of this section constitutes a second-degree misdemeanor, punishable as provided in F.S. § 775.082 or 755.083.

(Ord. No. 2004-10-26, § 2, 3-24-2004)

Secs. 2-3—2-22. - Reserved.