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Chapter 040 General Provisions

- **Section 010 Definitions**

The following words and phrases, whenever used in this code or in the uncodified ordinances or resolutions of Glenn County, have the meanings or usage indicated below, unless the context in which any word or phrase is used requires another meaning or usage or a different meaning is specifically defined and more particularly directed to the use of such a word or phrase.

- A. "Board" and "board of supervisors" mean the Board of Supervisors of Glenn County.
- B. "County" means the County of Glenn, California, or the area within the limits of Glenn County, and such territory outside of Glenn County over which the county has jurisdiction or control by virtue of any constitutional or statutory provision.
- C. "Enforcing officer" means the county public officer or county board, commission or department designated by state law or the board of supervisors to enforce any provisions of state law, this code or other county enactment. "Enforcing officer" includes any officer, employee or agent of the county to whom enforcement powers have been lawfully delegated by a designated enforcement officer or by the board of supervisors.
- D. "Law" denotes applicable federal law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, the ordinances and resolutions of Glenn County, and when appropriate, any and all rules and regulations which may be promulgated thereunder.
- E. "May" is permissive.
- F. "Month" means a calendar month.
- G. "Must" and "shall" are each mandatory.
- H. "Nuisance" means and includes every public or private act or condition known or described in the common law as a public nuisance and any other public or private act or condition which is or may be declared to be a public nuisance under the laws of the State of California or by county ordinance.
- I. "Oath" includes an affirmation or declaration in all cases in which, by law, an affirmation may be

substituted for an oath, and in such cases the words "affirm" and "affirmed" are equivalent to the words "swear" and "sworn."

J. "Or" may be read "and" and "and" may be read "or" if the sense requires it.

K. "Owner" applied to a building or land includes any part owner, joint owner, tenant in common, or joint tenant of the whole or a part of such building or land.

L. "Person" means a natural person and includes his or her heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns. "Person" includes but is not limited to any firm, association, partnership, corporation, joint venture, joint stock company, partnership, club, fraternal organization, business trust, receiver, syndicate, limited liability company, or other group or combination acting as a unit and includes the successors, assigns or agents of any of them. "Person" also includes any governmental agency, public entity or public utility over which the county has jurisdiction or may exercise jurisdiction by law. "Person" does not include the County of Glenn.

M. "Personal property" includes money, goods, chattels, things in action and evidences of debt.

N. "Preceding" and "following" means next before and next after, respectively.

O. "Property" includes real and personal property.

P. "Real property" includes lands, tenements and hereditaments.

Q. "Sidewalk" means that portion of a street between the curb line and the adjacent property line intended for the use of pedestrians.

R. "State" means the State of California.

S. "Street" includes all streets, highways, avenues, lanes, alleys, courts, places, squares, circles, curbs, or other public ways in the unincorporated area of the county which have been or may hereafter be dedicated and open to public use, or such other public property so designated in any law of this state.

T. "Supervisors" or "all its members" means the total number of county supervisors provided by the general laws of the State of California for the County.

U. "Tenant" and "occupant" applied to a building or land include any person who occupies the whole or a part of such building or land, whether alone or with others.

V. "This code" means the Glenn County Code and includes any law or code adopted by reference in that code and any county policies, regulations or standards referred to in that code that are adopted by resolution of the board of supervisors to implement any provisions of that code.

W. Title of Office. Use of the title of any officer, employee, board or commission, means that officer, employee, department, board or commission of the county.

X. "Written" includes printed, typewritten, photocopied or facsimile reproduction.

Y. "Year" means a calendar year.

All words and phrases shall be construed and understood according to the common and approved usage of

the language, but technical words and phrases and such others as may have acquired a peculiar and appropriate meaning in the law shall be construed and understood according to such peculiar and appropriate meaning.
(Ord. 1060 § 2, 1995; Ord. 605 § 1, 1974.)

- **Section 020 Grammatical Interpretation**

The following grammatical rules shall apply in the ordinances and resolutions of Glenn County:

A. Gender. The masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter genders.

B. Singular and Plural. The singular number includes the plural and the plural includes the singular.

C. Tenses. Words used in the present tense include the past and the future tenses and vice versa unless manifestly inapplicable.

D. Use of Words and Phrases. Words and phrases not specifically defined shall be construed according to the context and approved usage of the language. (Ord. 605 § 2, 1974.)

- **Section 030 Prohibited acts include causing, permitting, etc**

Whenever in the ordinances or resolutions of the county, any act or omission is made unlawful, it shall include causing, allowing, permitting, aiding, abetting, suffering, or concealing the fact of such act or omission. (Ord. 605 § 3, 1974.)

- **Section 040 Acts of agents**

When an act required or authorized to be done by this code may be done by an agent as well as the agent's principal, the requirement or authorization shall be construed to include all such acts by the agent. (Ord. 1060 § 4, 1995.)

- **Section 050 Repeal shall not revive any ordinances**

The repeal of an ordinance shall not repeal the repealing clause of such ordinance or revive any ordinance which has been repealed thereby. (Ord. 605 § 5, 1974.)

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