

**Chapter 16**

**LIBRARY**

**Sec. 16-1. Establishment.**

In accordance with the provisions of the laws of the state, there shall be a free public library in the City for the use of the citizens thereof, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the laws of the state, the Board of Trustees provided for in this article, and the ordinances of the City. A joint City/County library has been established by appropriate action under state law.

**Sec. 16-2. Board and regulation.**

The joint City/County Library Agreement sets forth the appointment of board members and the regulation of the Library shall be as set forth in State law and the joint Library Agreement.

**Sec. 16-3 and 16-4. Reserved.**

**Sec. 16-5. Injury, destruction, etc., of property; penalty.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, purposely or knowingly, to destroy, deface, cut, tear, write upon, or in any way injure any property of the library. To the fine and penalty imposed for violation of this section there shall be added the cost of repairing or replacing such property.

**Sec. 16-6. Detention or theft of property; penalty.**

State law as to theft shall apply to all library property that is kept more than thirty days beyond the due date and any control over library property after thirty days from the due date is unauthorized.

**Sec. 16-7. Disturbances or disobedience of rules.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, purposely or knowingly, to interfere with or cause a disturbance to others upon library premises, or by noise, improper language or in any other way, to make disturbances in the vicinity of the library building. The library trustees shall have the power to exclude any person from the library building after notice and hearing, and from the premises in the vicinity of the library building, if in the trustees' judgment the public good requires it. (Ord. 1322, 5/17/76; Ord. 1343, 12/20/76; Ord. 1345, 12/20/76; Ord. 1360, 9/6/77; Ord. 1365, 8/1/77; Ord. 1485, 5/19/81; Ord. 1536, 2/19/85; Ord. 1619, 3/20/89)