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Dear Mr. Stoney:

Mr. McLeod has referred your letter to me for reply. You have stated that the Town of Mt. Pleasant is planning on enacting a revised comprehensive zoning ordinance. You have inquired if the ordinance may be adopted by reference or if the entire bill must be read. I am enclosing a prior opinion dated March 14, 1978, from Ms. Karen Henderson, Senior Assistant Attorney General, to Mr. Jack Etheridge which answers your inquiry. It was her opinion that the required reading of an ordinance may be accomplished by reading the title of the ordinance. Her opinion cites 4 McQUILLIN MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, § 13.46 which states in part that ‘. . . where the title of an ordinance discloses its object, the reading of the title is equivalent to reading the ordinance.’

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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