

CHAPTER 02

CORPORATE SEAL

1. **DESCRIPTION-FACSIMILE.** The corporate seal of the City shall be circular in form, and shall be so constructed as to impress the same upon paper by pressure. There shall be an inner circle one-fourth of an inch from the outer circle and between said circles at the top shall be the words "City of Decatur, Illinois." In the interior or center of the circle shall be the figure of Stephen Decatur in the uniform of Commodore of the United States Navy, the figure standing upon its right foot and its left foot resting upon a box of ammunition or powder, and in the background at the left of the seal shall be the outline of a wooden ship mast, metal bound at intervals, and at the right of the seal shall be the butt of a muzzle loading cannon, together with a lanyard leading therefrom, and beneath the figure shall be the words "Stephen Decatur" in letters smaller than the words "City of Decatur, Illinois." A facsimile of said seal showing the words and figures thereof is as follows:



2. **USE AND CUSTODY.** The seal shall be and remain in the custody of the City Clerk to be used by the Clerk in all cases provided for by the laws of the United States, the State of Illinois, the Ordinances of the City of Decatur and in all such cases whereby the laws or customs of nations the use of the corporate seal of the City becomes necessary.