ORDINANCE NO. 2014-24

AN ORDINANCE MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEARCY CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL CODES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEARCY, ARKANSAS, TO-WIT:

Section 1. Section 11-1-3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Searcy, be and it is hereby amended and restated as follows:

“11-1-3. Amendment of Searcy Electrical Code. Any amendment to the Searcy Electrical Code shall be promulgated by the Mayor, or the designee of the Mayor, and including the Searcy Code Enforcement Department. Any proposed amendment to the Searcy Electrical Code may be adopted by resolution of the Searcy City Council, after a public hearing, which shall be advertised as required by law with such notice to be made not less than ten (10) days before any such hearing.”

Section 2. Section 7-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Searcy, be and it is hereby amended and restated as follows:

“Sec. 7-1. Building Code – Adopted. The Arkansas Fire Prevention Code and the International Building Code are hereby approved and adopted, each as may be adopted by the State of Arkansas and as may be amended from time to time. Three (3) verbatim copies of the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code and the International Building Code herein adopted by reference are, and shall be, on file in the office of the City Clerk and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein word for word in this Chapter.”

Section 3. Section 11-3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Searcy, be and it is hereby amended and restated as follows:

“Sec. 11-3. Electrical Inspectors; Qualifications. There is hereby created the office of Electrical Inspector who shall be appointed by the Mayor. Said Electrical Inspector shall have received the relevant certification from the State of Arkansas as may be necessary to perform electrical inspection in the State of Arkansas, as such qualifications may be modified from time to time. The Electrical Inspector shall maintain any relevant certification that might be required by the State of Arkansas and maintain not less than the minimum continuing education requirements that might be set by the State of Arkansas. The Electrical Inspector shall be compensated at the rate or in such amount as may be provided by the Searcy City Council.”

Section 4. Section 22-3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Searcy, be and it is
hereby amended and restated as follows:

“Sec. 22-3. **Inspection and Supervision.**

1. There is hereby created the position of Plumbing Inspector who shall be appointed by the Mayor.

2. All plumbing inspection fees shall be paid over and become a part of the General Fund of The City.

3. The Plumbing Inspector shall have received the relevant certification from the State of Arkansas as may be necessary to perform plumbing inspection in the State of Arkansas, as such qualifications may be modified from time to time. The Plumbing Inspector shall maintain any relevant certification that might be required by the State of Arkansas and maintain not less than the minimum continuing education requirements set by the State of Arkansas. The Plumbing Inspector shall be compensated at the rate or in such amount as may be provided by the Searcy City Council.

4. The Plumbing Inspector shall have those duties that might be set by the Mayor or the Department Head assigned to have direct supervisory oversight of the Plumbing Inspector and which may be modified from time to time.

5. It shall be the duty of the Plumbing Inspector to enforce all provisions of this chapter and the Plumbing Inspector is hereby granted authority to enter all buildings in the City of Searcy, in the performance of his duties between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily. The Plumbing Inspector shall issue permits for plumbing work as herein provided and shall prepare suitable forms for applications, permits, and other reports.

6. It shall be the duty of the Plumbing Inspector to inspect and test all plumbing work for compliance with the Code.

**Section 5.** All other ordinances, parts of ordinances or provisions of the Searcy Code of Ordinances in conflict with the terms hereof are hereby suspended, superseded and repealed.

**Emergency Clause.** The need to maintain currency in the adoption of applicable codes being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after
its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of December, 2014.

/s/  David Morris
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/  Jerry Morris
City Clerk