

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - 17**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SEARCY ZONING CODE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, has, pursuant to Article 9-4-2 of the Searcy Zoning Code, conducted a public hearing upon proposed amendments to the Zoning Code text heretofore adopted by the City Council for the City of Searcy: and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, has, upon conclusion of the said public hearing, made a finding of fact that the amendments to the Zoning Code text are consistent with the purposes of the Zoning Code and the Plans adopted by the said Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, upon the aforesaid finding of fact, the Planning Commission has recommended to the City Council the amendments to the Zoning Code text; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the requested code changes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SEARCY, ARKANSAS:

**SECTION 1.** The Zoning Code text of the City of Searcy, Arkansas be amended as follows:

In Chapter 6: Parking and Landscaping, Article 6-2, add:

7. The perimeters, entrances, and exits of all parking lots for commercial, office, and industrial buildings shall be finished with curbs and gutters designed to specifications in the Searcy Subdivision Ordinance. Multi-family developments containing more than four dwelling units shall also meet this requirement. The Planning Commission may grant full or partial exemption to this requirement when topographical or other conditions, unique to the specific property involved, warrant such exemption based on standard engineering principles and with concurrence by the City Engineer.

**SECTION 2.** The regulation and preservation of property uses and values in accordance with a Comprehensive Plan and the continued utilization of lands within the City of Searcy in accordance therewith 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 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2021.**

**/s/ Kyle Osborne  
Mayor of Searcy**

**ATTEST:**

**/s/ Jerry Morris  
City Clerk**