ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SEARCY CODE OF ORDINANCES; AMENDING CHAPTER 17 OF THE SEARCY CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR PERMITTING FOR CERTAIN EVENTS AND THE USE OF CITY PROPERTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Searcy wishes to provide for the permitting of special events that utilize City property or that consume City resources; and

WHEREAS, in light of the need for these changes, and the need to provide certainty with respect to the use of City property, the Searcy City Council declares that an emergency exists and that the need to provide for the public peace, health, safety and welfare dictates that the provisions of this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Now, Therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Searcy, Arkansas, to wit:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Searcy, Arkansas, is hereby amended by making the following changes to Chapter 17 of the said code, which said section shall read as follows:

- 17-21-4(D) is amended to read as follows: "Payment of the fee in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25); and"
- 17-21-9(A)(13) is amended to read as follows: "No Special Event application shall be considered that is submitted less than fourteen (14) days from the proposed event."
- <u>EMERGENCY CLAUSE</u>. This Ordinance shall take immediate effect upon passage, and it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the city of Searcy, Arkansas.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of March, 2023.

/s/ Mat Faulkner Mayor of Searcy

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris City Clerk