

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 - 10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SEARCY CODE OF ORDINANCES;
ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF SEARCY AS A POLLINATOR FRIENDLY
COMMUNITY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Searcy City Council has been made aware of the importance of bees and other pollinators to flowering plants, crops and the need for these pollinators to pollinate these decorative and beneficial plants; and

WHEREAS, the Searcy City Council wishes to foster knowledge and understanding of the importance of pollinators to any community and to address issues related to fostering the pollinator's populations;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Searcy, Arkansas, to wit:

Section 1. There is added a section to the Searcy Code Ordinances, a new section 30-5, which shall read as follows:

“30-5. Provisions to Foster Pollination of Crops and Growing Plants.

- A. There is hereby created the Searcy Pollinator Friendly Committee. This committee shall be composed of 15 members who shall be appointed by the Mayor.
- B. The Searcy Pollinator Friendly Committee shall establish rules for the conduct of its Pollinator Friendly meetings.
- C. The Searcy Pollinator Friendly Committee shall make recommendations to the City and to private citizens to foster a pollinator friendly community.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. The provisions of this ordinance are separable and, upon any finding that any provision of this ordinance is unenforceable, the remaining provision shall be enforceable according to their terms

Emergency Clause. The need to provide for the advancement of pollination in the City of Searcy and being necessary for the advancement of food, fiber, and other flowering plants, an emergency is hereby declared by the City of Searcy, and the foregoing ordinance is necessary for

the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Adopted this 15th day of March, 2016.

The City of Searcy, Arkansas:

/s/ David Morris
David Morris, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Jerry Morris
City Clerk-Treasurer