

ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - 19

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SEARCY ZONING CODE WITH RESPECT TO THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A SPECIFIC LAND AREA WITHIN THE CITY, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, has elected to forgo its regular meeting in June 2020 due to the emergency created by the Covid -19 virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, certain items need immediate consideration to allow the implementation of development that will support the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Searcy; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer, City Planner, Code enforcement staff, Fire Marshall; and other pertinent staff have resolved any issues associated with the item under consideration herein and note no exceptions to approval of the item; and

WHEREAS, the Searcy City Council, under Article 14-56-23 of the Arkansas Code, Annotated, has the authority to act upon an alteration, amendment, extension, abridgement, or discontinuance of the plans, ordinances, or regulations associated with the city's plans when an emergency exists.

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

SECTION 1. The Zoning Map for the City of Searcy, Arkansas be and it is hereby amended for purposes of changing the Zoning Classification from R-3 (Single-Family Residential) to R-1 (Multi-Family Residential) as to the following described real property between Pioneer Road and Highland Drive north of Central Avenue, properties being situated in Searcy, White County, Arkansas, as described in Exhibit A attached herewith:

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 12th DAY OF JUNE, 2020.

/s/ Kyle Osborne

Mayor of Searcy

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris

City Clerk

EXHIBIT A (Legal Description)

Lots Twelve (12), Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), Fifteen (15), Sixteen (16), Seventeen (17) and Eighteen (18), in Block Seven (7), South Heights Addition to the City of Searcy, Arkansas.