

ORDINANCE 2020 - 31

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SEARCY, ARKANSAS; TO AMEND SECTION 2-51-2 RELATING TO THE SUBMISSION OF MEASURES PRIOR TO AGENDA MEETINGS OF THE SEARCY CITY COUNCIL; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

The City Council of the City of Searcy, Arkansas, meeting in regular session, makes the following findings of fact and enacts the following provisions:

WHEREAS, the Searcy City Council recognizes the need to provide for the orderly conduct of meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Searcy City Council finds that, in light of the need to provide for the public peace, health, safety and welfare of its citizens, an emergency exists requiring the immediate enforcement of this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Searcy City Council adopts the following amendment to the Code of Ordinances:

Section 1. Section 2-51-2 of the Searcy Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

“2-51-2. Agenda Items. The deadline for agenda items shall be close of business on Tuesday (day of meeting) preceding each agenda meeting of the Searcy City Council. Searcy citizens wishing to address the City Council regarding any issue unrelated to published agenda items will follow the procedure established herein:

- a. Step 1 – Discuss their concerns or situation with the Mayor or the Mayor’s designee.
- b. Step 2 – If the Mayor is unable to rectify the situation or satisfy the concerns of the citizen, the Mayor will refer the issue to the appropriate City Council member or committee.
- c. Step 3 – If the committee is unable to rectify the situation or satisfy the concerns of the citizen, the citizen is to request in writing, to the Mayor, to be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council.”

Section 2. The provision 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.

Section 3. All ordinances, resolution or other acts of the City in conflict with the terms hereof are repealed to the extent of any such conflict.

Emergency Clause. The Searcy City Council has determined that an emergency exists and that the immediate adoption and enforcement of this ordinance being necessary for the public peace, health, safety and welfare, the provisions hereof shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Adopted this 8th day of September, 2020.

The City of Searcy, Arkansas

By: /s/ Kyle Osborne
Mayor of Searcy

Attest

/s/ Jerry Morris
Searcy City Clerk-Treasurer