ORDINANCE NUMBER 0-2020-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE O-2005-03 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WARD TO ISSUE BUILDING PERMITS AND COLLECT FEES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS (the "City") has adopted an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of building permits and collecting fees for such permits; and,

WHEREAS, as more and more structures (residential house and the like) are being built in this growing city, it becomes necessary to enact rules and penalties when a structure or other such activity identified in Ordinance 2005-03 Section 1 has commenced without first obtaining the proper permit.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS THAT ORDINANCE 2005-03 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS;

SECTION 4: VIOLATION AND PENALTIES:

I. Stop Work Order Issuance:
   a. A Stop Work Order may be issued whenever work on any building or structure is being executed contrary to the provisions of the City of Ward Ordinance 2005-03, SECTION 1.
   b. Upon issuance of a Stop Work Order, all work shall be immediately stopped until a proper permit is issued.
   c. The Stop Work Order shall be in writing and shall be posted in a location clearly visible from the street accessing the property. Work crews on-site will be made aware of the Stop Work Order as well as the owner/developer if they can be located in a timely manner.
   d. The Stop Work Order shall state the violation and the conditions under which work will be permitted to resume.

II. Penalty:
   a. Anyone issued a permit after a Stop Work Order has been issued will be charged the normal fee for the permit PLUS an additional 100% penalty.
   b. Both the normal fee and penalty MUST be paid before the permit is issued.
SECTION 5 (ADDED): SEVERABILITY: If, for any reason, any portion or portions of this ordinance shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall in no way affect the remaining portions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF April, 2020

YEAS: 60    NAYS: 0

APPROVED:  

[Signature]
Charles Gastineau, Mayor

ATTEST:  

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Courtney Ruble, City Clerk

CITY SEAL