

# ORDINANCE

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## AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING BUILDINGS TO BE NUMBERED

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, IOWA AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1** PURPOSE. It is the purpose of this ordinance to promote the public safety and welfare by ensuring proper and visible numbering of all buildings.

**SECTION 2** DEFINITIONS. For use in this ordinance, "Property Owner" means the contract purchaser if there is one of record, otherwise the record holder of legal title. For use in this ordinance "Principal Building" means the main building on any lot or subdivision thereof.

**SECTION 3** PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN AND DISPLAY BUILDING NUMBERS. Every owner shall comply with the following numbering requirements:

- a. Obtain Building Number. The owner shall obtain the assigned number to the principal building from the clerk.
- b. Display Building Number. The owner shall place or cause to be installed and maintained on the principal building the assigned number in a conspicuous place to the street in figures not less than two and one-half inches in height and of a contrasting color with their background.
- c. Failure to Comply. If an owner refuses to number a building as herein provided, or fails to do so for a period of 30 days after being notified in writing by the City to do so, the City may proceed to place the assigned number on the principal building and assess the costs against the property for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

**SECTION 4** BUILDING NUMBERING PLAN. Building numbers shall be assigned in accordance with the building numbering plan on file in the office of the Clerk.

**SECTION 5** REPEALER. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 6** SAVINGS CLAUSE. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provisions shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

**SECTION 7** EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption, approval, and publication.

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