#### ORDINANCE NO. 20-829

#### CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENTRY MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR THE ZONING OF ANNEXED LANDS UPON ANNEXATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS it has come to the attention of the City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas that it would be more cost-effective and convenient to provide a means whereby persons seeking to annex lands into the City of Gentry could seek to have said lands zoned concurrently with the annexation thereof, rather than requiring the owners of said lands to petition separately and consecutively for annexation and re-zoning of said lands;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas:

Section 1: Chapter 14.04 of the Gentry Municipal Code is hereby amended to add the following provisions:

## 14.04.15 Procedure for Zoning Annexed Lands

- A. Prior to consideration by the City Council of any ordinance annexing any lands to the City of Gentry, the Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing regarding the appropriate zoning of the said lands in the event of annexation. Notice of the public hearing shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation within the City at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. The Planning Commission shall also notify the adjoining property owners of the hearing by mail at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing.
- B. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission shall make and certify to the City Council a recommendation as to the most appropriate zoning for the said lands in the event of annexation.
- C. In connection with its consideration of the annexation of the said lands, the City Council may either adopt the Planning Commission's recommendation as to the proposed zoning of the lands by ordinance; modify the zoning recommendation and adopt the recommendation as modified; or return the zoning recommendation to the Planning Commission for further study and recommendation.

Section 2: Section 14.04.05(M) of the Gentry Municipal Code and any other provisions that are in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED and APPROVED in regular session this 3rd day of August, 2020.

ATTEST:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

Kevin Johnston, Mayor

STANAS IS

## **Public Notice**

The Gentry Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on July 16, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Gentry Council Chambers, located at 104 E. Main St., Gentry, Arkansas, on a proposed amendment to the Gentry Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendment would add the following provisions to the Zoning Ordinance:

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Comments from any interested person will be heard and considered, and the Council will then determine whether to recommend the proposal to the Gentry City Council.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may provide comments by phone (479-736-2555, ex. 2) or in writing to the City of Gentry, 101 W. Main Street, Gentry, AR 72734.

For publication in the WEO once no later than July 1, 2020.