

City of Ocean Springs

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-19**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2015-11 AND SECTION 510(b)(10) OF  
APPENDIX D OF THE OCEANS SPRINGS CODE OF ORDINANCES  
REGARDING PERMITS FOR SHORT-TERM RENTALS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2015-11 was passed July 7, 2015 and was codified in Section 510 of Appendix D of the Ocean Springs Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 510(b) requires a permit to operate a short-term rental in a residential area; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 510(b)(10) established a limit of thirty-five (35) total permits to be active at any given time; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2019 the City is at or near the limit of thirty-five (35) active permits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen requested the Planning Commission to conduct a public hearing to discuss whether the limit needed to be amended and solicit community input on this matter; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission conducted said hearing on December 10, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission recommended by unanimous vote that the limit for active permits at any given time should be raised to fifty (50).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN** of the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, as follows:

SECTION I

That Section 510(b)(10) of the Code of Ordinances, City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, is hereby amended to read as follows:

*(10) The total number of permits issued for residential short-term rental shall not exceed fifty (50) at any given time.*

SECTION II

Any and all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

SECTION III

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of Aldermen that the actions, paragraphs, clauses and phrases of this ordinance, when adopted, are severable, and if any sections, paragraphs, clauses, sentences or provisions of this ordinance as adopted shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, same shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, clauses and phrases of this ordinance.

SECTION IV

This Ordinance shall take effect in the manner prescribed by law.

SECTION V

That upon adoption, the City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be recorded in the Book of Ordinances of the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, and published in the manner prescribed by law.

SECTION VI

The provisions of this Ordinance may be included and incorporated in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, as an addition or amendment thereto, and appropriately renumbered to conform to the uniform numbering system of the Code.

The above Ordinance having been first reduced to writing, the vote was as follows:

Alderman Gill	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Authement	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Bellman	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Papania	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Blackman	<u>Aye</u>
Alderman Impey	<u>Absent</u>
Alderman Cox	<u>Aye</u>

BY THE ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN of the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

  
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MAYOR

  
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CITY CLERK