City of Ocean Springs

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-25

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, Ordinance 2019-19 was passed December 19, 2029 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) has a current limit of fifty (50) total permits to be active at any given time; and

WHEREAS, in November 2021 the City is at the limit of fifty (50) 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 November 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommended by <u>unanimous</u> vote with one member absent that the limit for active permits at any given time should be raised to seventy-five (75).

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 seventy-five (75) 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or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.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.

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

Alderman Burgess	Aye
Alderman Authement	Aye
Alderman Wade	Aye
Alderman Papania	Nay
Alderman Blackman	
	Aye
Alderman Impey	Aye
Alderman Cox	Aye

BY THE ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN of the City of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, on this the 7th day of December, 2021.

MAYOR

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