

Ordinance Number: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE RENUMBERING, AMENDING, AND CREATING PORTIONS OF THE  
ZONING CODE RELATING TO OUTDOOR LIGHTING

**WHEREAS**, the Ordinance and Claims Committee, at a public hearing held October 19, 2006, at the Mineral Point Senior Citizens Center, solicited comments regarding changes to the Zoning Code related to outdoor lighting, after which hearing the Ordinance and Claims Committee recommended that said changes be approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission, at a public hearing held November 13, 2006, at the Mineral Point Senior Citizens Center, solicited comments regarding changes to the Zoning Code related to exterior lighting, after which hearing the Plan Commission recommended that said changes be approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council of the City of Mineral Point, considered the recommendation of the Ordinance and Claims Committee and the Plan Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on December 5, 2006, at the Mineral Point Senior Citizens Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Mineral Point that the following described changes take place;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Common Council of the City of Mineral Point does ordain that the Zoning Code of the City of Mineral Point be changed as follows:

1. Create Section 17.10(5) of the zoning code regulating outdoor lighting.

17.10 Performance Standards.

17.10(5) Outdoor Lighting.

(a) Outdoor light fixtures shall be fully shielded, placed so as not to cause glare beyond the property boundary, and not be directed above the horizontal.

(b) Installation or modification of any outdoor light fixture shall require a permit from the Zoning Administrator, evidencing compliance with this subsection. Application shall be made using forms provided by the Zoning Administrator, available from and submitted to the City Clerk. No fee shall be charged for such application.

(c) After a period of one year from the date of enactment of this Section, any non-residential lighting in place prior to the enactment date of this Section shall come under the provisions of Subsection (a). After a period of two years from the date of enactment of this Section, any residential lighting in place prior to the enactment date of this Section shall come under the provisions of the Subsection (a). Notwithstanding the above, after a period of ninety days from the date of enactment of this Section any adjustable outdoor light fixtures in place prior to the enactment date of this Section shall come under the provisions of the Subsection (a).

Existing Section 17.10(5) and subsequent subsections to be renumbered accordingly.

2. Amend Section 17.03 of the zoning ordinance, definitions, to include the following words in proper alphabetical order:

(a) Fully Shielded Light Fixture. A lighting fixture constructed in such a manner that all light emitted by the fixture, either directly from the lamp or a diffusing element, or indirectly by reflection or refraction from any part of the fixture, is projected below the horizontal. Any structural part of the light fixture providing this shielding must be permanently affixed.

(b) Glare. A light ray emanating directly from a lamp, reflector, or lens, such that it falls directly on the eye of the observer.

(c) Outdoor Light Fixture. An outdoor illuminating device, outdoor lighting or reflective surface, lamp, or similar device, permanently installed or portable, used for illumination or advertisement.

This Ordinance shall take effect after passage and publication thereof, as required by law.

Adopted and passed at the regular October meeting of the Common Council of the City of Mineral Point, held at the Mineral Point Senior Citizens Center, in the City of Mineral Point, Iowa County, Wisconsin, on December 5, 2006.

APPROVED:

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Greggory Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Betty Horne, City Clerk Treasurer