

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-_____

CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31.01(A): PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE TONTITOWN MUNICIPAL CODE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Tontitown has adopted regulations for the Planning Commission of the City of Tontitown, which are codified in Section 31.01(A): Planning Commission of the Tontitown Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that to the City of Tontitown that a need exists to amend Section 31.01(A): Planning Commission of the Tontitown Municipal Code for the purpose of increasing the number of members authorized to be named and appointed to the Planning Commission, as set forth herein, in order to promote representation, encourage community participation, and to better manage the City's planning and zoning needs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest and benefit of the community to amend Section 31.01(A): Planning Commission of the Tontitown Municipal Code, as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the City Council of the City of Tontitown, Arkansas:

Section 1. Section 31.01(A): Planning Commission of the Tontitown Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

- (A) There is created a commission of the City of Tontitown, to be known as the Tontitown Planning Commission which shall consist of not less than seven members, of whom at least two-thirds shall not hold any other municipal office or appointment except as allowed by law.

Section 2. That the two (2) new members shall be appointed and confirmed by the City Council of the City of Tontitown after candidates submit a letter of intent and in accordance with Arkansas Law and city ordinance.

Section 3. The terms of the newly appointed members shall be two (2) years, with the term beginning September 1, 2025. Should a vacancy occur in one of these positions before the expiration of the term, the seat shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments.

Section 4. The rest and remainder of the Tontitown Municipal Code not specifically amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. In the event that any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or other provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall

not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision, other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional, and the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed as if such invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional provision or provisions had never been contained herein.

Section 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 7. Declaration of Emergency. It is hereby found and determined that there is an immediate need to amend Section 31.01(A): Planning Commission of the Tontitown Municipal Code to set forth updated regulations and to promote the orderly and efficient development within the City of Tontitown and to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the community. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Ordinance being immediately necessary for the above-stated purposes, shall become effective immediately from and after the date of its passage, to take effect as provided by the terms of this Ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ of August 2025.

APPROVED:

Angela Russell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk-Treasurer
(SEAL)