

ORDINANCE NO. 24-_____

AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 20-1-101.1, ARTICLE 20-1, CHAPTER 20, LAWTON CITY CODE, 2015 PERTAINING TO REVOCABLE PERMITS BY ESTABLISHING A SECTION THAT ALLOWS CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO BE PLACED UPON THE STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY AND/OR PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT WITHOUT OBTAINING A REVOCABLE PERMIT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma, that:

Section 1. Section 20-1-101.1 is hereby created to read as follows:

20-1-101.1 Exceptions – Revocable permits and fees.

- A. The improvements listed below do not require a revocable permit, either council approved or administrative, but the location of each said improvement must be reviewed and approved by the City through the building permit process. Improvements may be included and approved with a new construction and/or remodel permit. Any improvements wishing to be constructed after the approval of a new construction or remodel permit, may be applied for separately.
1. Driveway approaches and parking lot entrances when constructed in accordance with City standards.
 2. Public sidewalks when constructed in accordance with City standards.
 3. Mailboxes, to include a single mailbox or grouping/cluster mailboxes, as may be required by the United States Postal Service, when constructed in accordance with the below provisions.
 - a) Concrete footings shall be a maximum of ten (10) inches deep including any aggregate base.
 - b) Slabs shall be a maximum of one hundred (100) square feet.
 - c) Mailboxes shall not be located within any street sight triangle.
 - d) If at all possible, grouping/cluster mailboxes shall be located in side yards. If located in the front yards, placement shall be between houses on what would be the extension of the side lot line. Grouping/cluster mailboxes shall be constructed in a location which will cause the least interference with sight obstructions to adjacent residences as possible.
- B. Utilities should be located and marked prior to any excavation. Great care should be taken to not disrupt any existing utilities.
- C. Any damage caused to existing utilities by the construction of an improvement allowed by this section shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor constructing said improvement. The contractor shall hire the appropriate licensed company to repair the utility damage as quickly as possible. Inspections may be required before covering the

repair. It is the responsibility of the hired utility contractor to secure any and all required inspections.

D. Any improvement allowed by this section shall not diminish the City's nor utility providers' rights to use the public easements for maintenance, repair and replacement of their utility facilities.

E. The City and/or utility provider shall not be liable for any damages caused to the mailbox during the normal operation, maintenance and/or replacement of the any utility.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, said portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its passage.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma this _____ day of _____, 2024.

STANLEY BOOKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DONALYNN BLAZEK-SCHERLER, CITY CLERK

APPROVED as to form and legality this _____ day of _____, 2024.

TIMOTHY WILSON, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

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Brief Gist

This ordinance creates Section 20-1-101.1, Article 20-1, Chapter 20, Lawton City Code, 2015, allowing driveway approaches, parking lot entrances, public sidewalks and mailboxes to be constructed on street right-of-way and/or public utility easements without obtaining a revocable permit; providing for severability. If approved, this ordinance will become effective thirty (30) days after passage.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma, this _____ day of _____, 2024.

STANLEY BOOKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DONALYNN BLAZEK-SCHERLER, CITY CLERK

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