

ORDINANCE NO. 702

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 687 OF THE CITY OF MONTICELLO TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF AN EXTERNAL DISCONNECT DEVICE OF THE INTERNAL ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OF EACH STRUCTURE WITHIN THE CITY OF MONTICELLO.

WHEREAS, the City of Monticello has adapted the Electrical Code of the State of Arkansas by and through enactment of Ordinance No. 687 of the City of Monticello; and

WHEREAS, the State electrical code does not require an external disconnect device to be placed on the outside of the structures; and

WHEREAS, the installation of such a device would improve the safety for the inhabitants and emergency personnel of the structures that the electrical service to the structure might be disconnected during the event of fire or other emergency in which the presence of electrical current might cause harm to any person:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Monticello, Arkansas, as follows:

Section 1. That Ordinance No. 687 of the City of Monticello is hereby amended to add the following requirements:

(a) Following the enactment of this ordinance, each structure built, rebuilt or remodeled within the city to the extent the electrical service is required to be modified or upgraded shall be required to install an external disconnect device which, when activated, shall cause all electrical current to cease within the internal distribution system of the structure.

(b) The electrical inspector of the City of Monticello is hereby instructed to cause such requirement to be enforced, that he shall not approve any structure for connection or reconnection to the electrical utility source until such time as the disconnect device has been installed and connected in such a manner that the device shall operate as intended within this ordinance.

Section 2. That the City Council has determined that the lack of a disconnect device upon the structures built within the City of Monticello poses a hazard to the health, safety and welfare of the Citizens of Monticello, and, therefore, finds that an emergency exists. Therefore, this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Monticello shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval.

PASSED THIS 18 day of May, 2000.

APPROVED:

  
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Harold West, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Cindy Fakouri, City Clerk