

## ORDINANCE NO. 2010-19

### AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF TITLE 4, BUILDING REGULATIONS, TO REQUIRE STREET NUMBERS

WHEREAS, the City of Hardin desires to create an Ordinance regarding Street Numbers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF HARDIN, MONTANA, that Title 4, of the Official Code of the City of Hardin is hereby amended to create Chapter 13 which shall read as follows:

Chapter 13  
Street Numbers

**4-13-1 Assignment.** For each lot or tract of land abutting any street or avenue in the city a street number shall be assigned by the Director of Public Works or his designated representative. All final plats subject to review under the subdivision laws shall contain an index of street numbers for all lots or tracts not dedicated to public use.

**4-13-2 Renumbering --Appeal--Failure to comply.**

A. Whenever existing street numbers for particular lots or tracts of land:

- (1) Are out of sequence;
- (2) Indicate that the structure should be found on the other side of the street;
- (3) Identify houses on corner lots as being on one intersecting street when by virtue of their position on the lot they should be on the other intersecting street;
- (4) Need to be changed to bring numbers assigned by the county into conformity with numbers assigned by the city;
- (5) Do not conform to the system and the modifications thereto used by the city in assigning street numbers; or
- (6) Do not comply with one or more of the other requirements of this chapter; the city may order the owner or the affected property owner to change the number to one selected by the city.

B. The order of the Director of Public Works or his designated representative may be appealed by sending a written notice of appeal to the city council within thirty days of issuance of the order. The city council shall refer the appeal to an appropriate committee.

C. After hearing the appeal, the committee shall affirm, modify or rescind the Director of Public Works' or his designated representative's order.

D. Upon expiration of the time for appeal or upon a decision of the appeal, the affected property owner shall change the house number as required by the city or the city council. Failure to comply with the order shall constitute a misdemeanor. Each day shall constitute a separate offense.

**4-13-3 Numbering system.** The Director of Public Works or his designated representative shall assign numbers in accordance with the following system: The south side of streets running east and west shall bear even numbers, and the north side of such streets shall bear odd numbers. The west side of streets running north and south shall bear even numbers and the east side of such streets shall bear odd numbers. The Director of Public Works or his designated representative shall follow this system as he deems it applicable. Where problems arise in the application of the above system, the Director of Public Works or his designated representative shall have discretion to assign numbers or select such a numbering system as best meets the needs of the particular case.

**4-13-4 Residential uses.**

A. Street numbers shall be placed on the exterior wall of all residential structures within two feet of the entrance door in such a position as to be clearly visible from the public highway or street to which the number relates.

B. Where multi-family structures have separate street numbers for each unit, such numbers shall be placed on the doors or within three feet of the doors on adjacent walls. If such numbers are not clearly visible from the nearest public highway or street, the numbers shall also be listed elsewhere on the premises on which the structure is located so as to be clearly visible from the public highway or street.

C. Street numbers for mobile homes shall be placed on exterior walls within three feet of the main entrances. If such numbers are not clearly visible from the public highway or street to which the number relates, the numbers shall also be listed elsewhere on the premises on which the structure is located so as to be clearly visible from such public highway or street. Where the city deems it necessary, it shall require the owners of mobile home parks to erect a map at the entrances thereto depicting the layout of streets and the location of lots to which street numbers are assigned.

D. Where multi-family structures have a primary street number to designate the structure and the secondary numbers or letters to designate individual units therein, the primary street number may be placed on the premises near the structure as well as on the exterior wall pursuant to subsection A of this section. Secondary numbers or letters designating individual units shall be placed on doors or on adjacent walls within three feet of the doors.

**4-13-5 Commercial uses.** Nonresidential and mixed residential/nonresidential structures shall have street numbers displayed on exterior walls or doors. Multiple nonresidential uses of buildings shall be given separate street numbers only when there is a separate entrance from the street to such use.

**4-13-6 Numerals required--Size and reflective quality.** Every street number placed on an exterior wall or other structure as required by this chapter shall be expressed in numerals. The numerals shall either have a reflective surface or shall contrast distinctly with the background on which they are placed so that they are readily visible at night from the street to which the number relates. All numerals shall be at least four inches high.

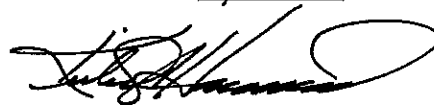
**DATE OF EFFECT.**

The amendment to this ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from the date of its second reading and passage by the City Council as required by law.

**FIRST READING AND PASSAGE** By a majority vote of the members present this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2010.

YEAS 5

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

Michelle Duckman  
City Clerk Finance Officer

POSTED IN THREE (3) PUBLIC PLACES AND MADE AVAILABLE TO  
THE PUBLIC this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2010.

Michelle Dyckman  
City Clerk      Finance Officer

AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING AND AT THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 4, 2011, THE CITY COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO MODIFY THE LANGUAGE OF THE LAST SENTENCE OF SECTION 4-13-6 Numerals required--Size and reflective quality, OF THIS ORDINANCE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

All numerals shall be at least three inches high.

SECOND READING AND PASSAGE WITH THE MODIFICATION TO THE LAST SENTENCE OF SECTION 4-13-6 Numerals required--Size and reflective quality, by a majority vote of the members present this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011.

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[Signature]

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Michelle Dyckman  
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