

ORDINANCE NO. 4601-16

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE II, DEFINITION OF TERMS AND ARTICLE IV, APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS OF THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE REGARDING ALLOWING THE KEEPING OF HONEYBEES IN ALL DISTRICTS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF JOHNSON CITY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Article II, Definitions of Terms and Article IV, Application of Regulations of the Zoning Code of the City of Johnson City, Tennessee are and the same is hereby amended and modified as follows:

ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN THE CODE:

APICULTURE: The breeding and caring for bees.

FARM ANIMAL: Animals other than household pets that shall be permitted to, where permitted, be kept and maintained for commercial production and sale and/or family food production, education, or recreation such as but is not limited to: horses, cattle, sheep, goats, hogs, rabbits, chinchillas, chickens, turkeys, pheasants, geese, ducks, pigeons, and other birds.

ARTICLE IV, APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS

4.13 -ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND USES

D. Apiculture

Apiculture (beekeeping) activities shall be conducted in accordance and in compliance with state law of general application, to include regulations promulgated by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, including the “Honey Bee Best Management Policy and Practices” issued by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture (Apiary Section) as may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage on third and final reading and publication as required by law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED IN OPEN, PUBLIC MEETING
ON THE FIRST READING 04/07/2016
PASSED IN OPEN, PUBLIC MEETING
ON THE SECOND READING 04/21/2016
PASSED IN OPEN, PUBLIC MEETING
ON THE THIRD READING 05/05/2016

APPROVED AND SIGNED IN OPEN
MEETING ON THE 5th DAY OF
May, 2016
FOLLOWING PASSAGE ON THIRD
READING

/s/ W. Clayton Stout
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Janet Jennings
CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ James H. Epps, IV
CITY ATTORNEY