

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 21 (TABLE OF PERMITTED USES) OF ORDINANCE NO. 7697 (THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK ZONING ORDINANCE) TO ALLOW “LABORATORIES, CLINICAL” IN I-2 AND I-3 ZONES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Little Rock duly adopted Ordinance No. 7697 to regulate zoning in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 14-56-416 and has amended the same from time to time (hereafter the “Zoning Ordinance”); and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Ordinance currently restricts “Laboratories, Clinical” primarily to commercial zones and I-1 zone; and

WHEREAS, Planning Department staff have requested that an amendment be made to Article 21 (Table of Permitted Uses) of the Zoning Ordinance to update and also allow “Laboratories, Clinical” in I-2 and I-3 zoning categories.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That Article Twenty-One – Table of Permitted Uses of the Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended to change the designation of “Laboratories, Clinical” and its permitted zones as follows:

Laboratories, Clinical – *Add* the permitted use symbol (X) under I-2 and I-3.

SECTION 2: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 3: That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 4: It is hereby found and determined that in order to maintain consistency in permitted uses, clinical laboratories (which are currently allowed in commercial and I-1 (Light Industrial) zones) should also be allowed in the I-2 and I-3 industrial zoning categories of the Permitted Use Table of the Zoning Ordinance; and the passage of this Ordinance is necessary to insure proper, consistent, and orderly growth of this land and of the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; THEREFORE,

an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:

Ron Harris
Council Member Ron Harris *by AF*

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman Fields
Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b

FILED <u>10:40</u> A.M. _____ P.M.
By <u>City Atty Amy Fields</u>
DATE <u>1-2-18</u>
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas
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