

ORDINANCE NO. 145

An Ordinance Establishing the Period for Filing A Referendum Petition

WHEREAS, Section 14-55-203 of the Arkansas Code Annotated provides that ordinances without an emergency clause shall become effective after the period for filing a referendum has passed, and

WHEREAS, Said statute further provides that the period for filing a referendum petition on an ordinance may be established by ordinance as a period of not less than thirty (30) and not more than ninety (90) days


THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BETHEL HEIGHTS:

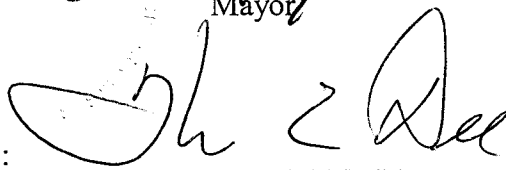
Section 1. All referendum petitions under Amendment No. 7 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas must be filed with the Recorder/Treasurer within thirty (30) days after publication of the City ordinance or legislative action that is the subject of the referendum. In the event no referendum petition is filed within the allotted time, an ordinance without an emergency clause shall become effective after thirty (30) days from the date of publication.

Section 2. Procedures. All referendum petitions and proceedings thereon shall conform to the requirements of Amendment 7 and state laws, which as of the date of the enactment of this ordinance are found in Arkansas Code Annotated sections 7-9-101 and following.

Section 3. Emergency Clause. THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist to establish the period for filing a referendum petition and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety and shall be in full force and effect from and after the passage and approval.

Approved on this 18th day of February 2003.

APPROVED: 
Mayor

ATTEST: 
Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer