## ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A POLICY SUPPORTING QUALITY GROWTH IN THE CITY OF MONTICELLO

WHEREAS, the Monticello City Council continues to encourage quality growth within the City of Monticello and in those areas which may reasonably become part of the City in the future; and

WHEREAS, quality growth is defined as growth that is planned, orderly, and meets municipal standards for streets, adequate utilities, lot size, access, land use and other factors; and

WHEREAS, in order to assure quality growth, the City finds a need to implement various methods or processes such as, but not limited to, controlled access to City and other utilities, extraterritorial zoning and subdivision controls, inter-local agreements, voluntary annexation, and pre-annexation agreements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTICELLO, ARKANSAS:

- It is the specific intent of the City of Monticello to regulate utility expansion in areas outside current city boundaries. Within the extraterritorial jurisdiction exercised by the City of Monticello as provided for Ark. Code Ann. \$14-56-401 et seq., new individual water utility tie-ons shall only be allowed where the land in question meets adopted City regulations for the area. Provided further, that in no event shall a water utility tie-on be allowed for any of said property within Monticello's extraterritorial jurisdiction unless said property is first annexed to the City or the owner(s) of said land agree to execute an acceptable pre-annexation agreement of said land at a time to be determined by the City. Council will determine on an individual case basis where extraordinary exceptions to this resolution may justify tie-ons as determined by established criteria designed to ensure the orderly growth of the City of Monticello.
- 2. No new water main or sewer utility main extensions or individual tie-ons submitted to the City shall be allowed in incorporated or unincorporated areas outside of the City of Monticello without the prior approval of the Monticello City Council.

3. An emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of Monticello shall be in full force and effect from and after it's passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this  $\frac{27}{2023}$  day of April, 2023.

Mayor

Attest:

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