

ORDINANCE NO. 2835

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Sections 5-2-84 and 5-2-87, Article D, Chapter 2, Title 5 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended; which Title 5 relates to TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, which Chapter 2 relates to STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, which Article D relates to HOUSE NUMBERS, which Section 5-2-84 relates to IDENTIFICATION OF PROPERTIES AND BUILDINGS and which Section 5-2-87 relates to POSTING NUMBERS.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 5-2-84, Article D, Chapter 2, Title 5 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 5-2-84. Identification of properties and buildings.

The owners of all properties or principal buildings within the city shall number and maintain the numbers on such buildings in accordance with the uniform numbering system adopted in this article and shown on the official numbering system map. All numbers shall consist of plain legible figures placed in a conspicuous place or places on the building facing the street from which the building is numbered and facing the alley in the case of nonresidential buildings with alley access. When numbers on the buildings are not readily visible from the street, auxiliary numbers will be placed on a sign near the street and in between, as necessary, with direction arrows to assure rapid approach to each building.

Section 2. That Section 5-2-87, Article D, Chapter 2, Title 5 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 5-2-87. Posting numbers.

Numerals indicating the official numbers for each principal building or each front entrance to the building shall be posted in the following manner:

(a) Each number shall consist of not less than three- (3) inch high arabic numerals contrasting in color to the structure on which they are mounted, affixed in such a way as to be located within five (5) feet of the entrance. In those cases where the entrance numbers are not visible from the street, additional numbers shall be installed on the building or on auxiliary signs in such a manner as to be visible from the street.

(b) Building numbers will be a minimum of three (3) inches high for locations up to 50 feet from the curb or pavement edge. For each additional 25 feet of setback beyond the initial 50 feet of setback, the numbers shall increase in size by one (1) inch in height. For buildings over 150 feet from the curb, auxiliary signs shall be installed.

Section 3. That the title of and an informal memorandum explaining this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The city clerk shall have the full text of this ordinance printed in sufficient numbers to supply copies to meet request. The city clerk shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR.
Mayor

Final Passage: June 28, 1983