

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 28-22 OF THE *CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS, CODE OF ORDINANCES*, IN ORDER TO CONSOLIDATE AND CLARIFY PERMITTED AND CONDITIONAL USES FOR MEDICAL RELATED BUSINESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City Planner requests the approval of the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, to amend Section 28-22 of the *City of Texarkana, Arkansas, Code of Ordinances*, to consolidate and clarify permitted and conditional uses for medical related business; and

WHEREAS, the current wording creates ambiguity and lacks rationale in the use matrix for commercial zones; and

WHEREAS, the requested change consolidates the medical related business from three to two categories with the emergency clinics being separated out due to their potential for extended hours or emergency traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, that the following amendments to Section 28-22 of the *City of Texarkana, Arkansas, Code of Ordinances*, be adopted:

Section 1: The following Section of the Code is amended as stated:

Section 28-22 Commercial District

Permitted Uses	O-1	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-4 OVERLAY
Clinic, dental, medical, or osteopathic, chiropodist	X	X	X	X	X	
Emergency care clinics (including twenty-four-hour emergency care facility)	CU	CU	CU	CU	X	CU
Medical offices, including, but not limited to medical clinics; dentists; osteopaths; chiropodists; day surgery clinics; dentists; endocrinologists; general practitioners; gerontologists; internal medicine; ophthalmology; oral surgeons; orthodontics; sleep disorders; surgeons	X	X	X	X	CU	CU

Section 2. Except as specifically amended herein, the Code remains in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of May 2024.

Jeff Hart, Assistant Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Soyars, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Joshua L. Potter, City Attorney