

TOWNSHIP OF ARCADIA
ADDRESS NUMBERING ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 1901

An ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 1900, to enact a new Address Numbering Ordinance, and to proscribe penalties for violations thereof.

THE TOWNSHIP OF ARCADIA ORDAINS:

Section 1. ADDRESS NUMBERING REQUIRED. Each dwelling and each principal building within the Township shall obtain and display an assigned address number. An address number shall only be issued for a public or a private road.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined:

- A. "Principal building" shall mean the main building located on a parcel or lot. Garages, pole barns, and other buildings which are normally accessory to other structures shall not be deemed to be "principal buildings" unless they are provided with a separate electrical meter.
- B. "Assigned address number" shall mean an address number which has been designated for a site by Detroit Edison prior to the effective date of this Ordinance or by the Township agent after the effective date of this Ordinance.
- C. "Private road" shall mean a non-public road which has been approved by the Township in compliance with the Private Road Ordinance. Easements and private drives shall not be deemed to be "private roads."

Section 3. APPLICATION. All applicants for building permits for construction of a dwelling or other principal building shall also apply for an address number for the structure. The number shall be issued by the designated agent of the Township as soon as all required information is provided by the applicant.

Section 4. POSTING. Each dwelling or other principal building on a parcel of land within the Township shall post the assigned address number. The number must be visible from the road. Whenever a dwelling or principal building is located more than 100 feet from the center of a public or private road, or is otherwise difficult to see from the road, the owner shall post the address number at the point at which the driveway enters the public or private road.

Section 5. NUMERALS. Each posted address number shall consist of numerals at least three (3) inches in height and of a contrasting color to the attached surface.

Section 6. MULTIPLE ADDRESS NUMBERS. Developments which need individual address numbers for locations within the site shall comply as follows:

- A. Mobile Home Parks. The mobile home park shall be assigned a single address number for the public road on which the park is located. Individual home sites within the part shall be designated by that address number plus the lot number of the site. Lots shall be consecutively numbered. Each internal street shall have a continuously maintained sign indicating the range of lot numbers on that street.
- B. Multiple Family Dwellings. Each individual building shall receive an address number. Each unit within that building shall receive a number which includes the building address number plus a number indicating the floor and the unit.
- C. Multiple Unit Buildings. All other principal buildings containing more than one unit shall receive an address number. The individual unit number shall be determined by the enforcement agency based upon the layout and location of the structure.

Section 7. PRIVATE ROADS. In the event that the dwelling or principal building is located on a private road, there shall also be erected a road sign identifying the name of the private road, in conformity with county road signage requirements, where the private road enters the public road. The name of the private road shall be reviewed and approved by the designated agency for registry of private road names within the County. In the event that a private drive or easement is upgraded to a private road, any existing numbers shall be replaced with address numbers based on the private road location.

Section 8. BUILDING PERMIT. The Construction Code Authority or other building code enforcement agent designated by the Township shall not issue a Certificate of Occupancy for any principal building until the requirements of this Ordinance are met.

Section 9. ENFORCEMENT AGENT. The Township Board shall designate a specific entity or official to serve as the agent to administer and enforce this Ordinance. The agent shall establish a fee to defray the administrative cost of issuing address numbers.

Section 10. PENALTY. Any property owner who fails to acquire, post or maintain the posting of an address number shall be guilty of a municipal civil infraction subject to the penalties specified in Ordinance No. 2100.

Section 11. REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1900. The Township hereby repeals Ordinance No. 1900 in its entirety.

Section 12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days after publication.

The foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 1901 which was enacted by the Board of Trustees for the Township of Arcadia at a regular meeting held on February 8, 2005.

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