

ORDINANCE NO. 248

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 110
(RENTAL HOUSING CODE)—SHORT-TERM RENTALS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS,
JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA:

Part I: AMENDMENTS:

University Heights Ordinance No. 110 is amended as follows (with additions indicated by underline; deletions indicated by ~~strike-through~~; omissions by "****"):

110.02 DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this code only, certain words and/or terms used herein shall be defined as follows:

31. "Short-term rental" means any dwelling in which someone other than the owner resides for not more than thirty (30) days and for which rent, monetary charge, or other consideration is paid or services are rendered or exchanged by or on behalf of the resident of the dwelling.

110.04 RENTAL PROPERTY RESTRICTED. No owner or any other person or entity shall rent or let any dwelling, dwelling unit, or habitable room unless it and the premises are clean, sanitary and fit for human occupancy as required by this code and applicable State statutes and City ordinances, and unless a certificate of structure compliance and a current rental permit have been issued by the City for the dwelling. ~~Dwellings, dwelling unit and habitable rooms may not be rented for a term of less than 30 consecutive days.~~ Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither a certificate of structure compliance nor a rental permit shall be required for any owner-occupied property or for a short-term rental.

110.05 STRUCTURE COMPLIANCE AND RENTAL PERMIT PROCEDURES.

9. No rental permit or permit fees shall be required for a short-term rental.

110.22A REGISTRATION OF SHORT-TERM RENTALS. The owner of any short-term rental shall, before offering the property for rent or renting the property, register the property with the City Clerk and provide contact information for notification of the owner or authorized agent of a short-term rental in the event of an emergency or other circumstance. Failure to register a short-term rental is a violation of this code.

Part II: SAVING CLAUSE.

In the event any word, phrase, sentence, paragraph or section contained in this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional for any reason, then it is hereby declared that the remaining such portions and provisions of this ordinance would have been enacted and remain in full force and effect.

Part III: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

Part IV: REPEALER.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Adopted by the University Heights City Council this 10th day of November, 2020, and approved this 10th day of November, 2020.



Louise A. From, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Christine M. Anderson
Christine M. Anderson, City Clerk

STATE OF IOWA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

On this 12th day of November, 2020, before me, a notary public in and for the state of Iowa, personally appeared Louise A. From and Christine M. Anderson, to me personally known, and who, being by me duly sworn, did say that they are the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of University Heights, Iowa; that the seal affixed to this instrument is the corporate seal of the city; and that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of the city, and that Louise A. From and Christine M. Anderson acknowledged the execution of said instrument to be their voluntary act and deed and the voluntary act and deed of the city, by it and by them voluntarily executed.

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa



STATE OF IOWA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

I, Christine M. Anderson, being first duly sworn, certify that the above ordinance was published in the Iowa City Press-Citizen the 29th day of November, 2020.

Christine M. Anderson
Christine M. Anderson, City Clerk

Signed and sworn to before me on the 9th day of December, 2020, by Christine M. Anderson, Clerk of the City of University Heights.

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa



Steve/UH/Ordinance 248 amending No. 110 re short-term rentals