

POWELL FISCAL COURT

ORDINANCE NUMBER: 2023-03

STREET NAMES AND PROPERTY NUMBERS

Whereas, the Fiscal Court of Powell County recognizes that adequate street naming and property numbering is essential to the welfare of the citizens of Powell County in the event of an emergency response and;

Whereas, the Fiscal Court of Powell County desires to name and number each street and property within the county so as to facilitate adequate and effective emergency response.

Now be it Ordained as follows:

Section 1. - Numbering of property, buildings and display of numbers.

(a) All properties within Powell County shall be numbered for the purposes of public safety, taxation and provision of services.

(b) All principal buildings and leasable/salable portions of said buildings which have separate and direct outside entrances shall have the site number permanently and prominently displayed, at times during daylight hours to persons in vehicles traveling in both directions of the street upon which the structure is located.

(c) The property number shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height and shall be affixed to the structure at a point at least three (3) feet above ground level. If the structure is not visible from the public or private right-of-way upon which the structure is located, the site number may also be displayed in such a manner that satisfies the visibility requirements in subsection (b). Notwithstanding the above, where more than one (1) principal building is located upon a property and where the site number is clearly displayed at the street entrance to the property, each principal building shall not be required to display the site number so long as each building is clearly identified by a building number or letter.

(d) Structures with multiple units shall have each major doorway labeled with a range of numbers, letters or other authorized unit designations when said doorway leads to more than one (1) leasable/salable unit of a building. Such designations shall be used to distinguish individual suites, units, rooms, or apartments within the same building or structure and served by a single door. No more than five (5) characters may be used in such unit designations. Such designations shall contain only letters or numbers. If abbreviations are used, they must follow the United States Postal Service's Standards for Secondary Address Unit Designators.

(e) The Powell County Mapping Coordinator, shall solely be authorized to assign or cause to be assigned a property number, site number and/or a building number where appropriate so as to ensure no duplication

of numbers or street names. The Powell County Mapping Coordinator, city clerk, and county clerk shall maintain a street index file containing the official list of valid street names.

(f) No private access easement shall be named without the prior approval of the Powell County Mapping Coordinator. All private access easements that are named with the approval of the Powell County Mapping Coordinator shall have a regulation Street sign, purchased and erected at the expense of the owners, placed at each intersection of the named easement and any other named easement or street.

Section 2. - Addressing.

(a) All addresses must contain a number. No number may contain more than five (5) digits. Only whole numbers may be used in addresses. All addresses on a street shall have sequential numbers.

(b) All addresses must contain a street name. Such names may contain a maximum of twenty (20) letters; however, such names shall not contain fewer than two (2) letters. The following are prohibited in new street names:

- (1) Numerical digits or numerical names;
- (2) Leading single letter phrases;
- (3) Confusing, obscene or irregularly spelled words;
- (4) Duplicate or closely approximate names of other streets; and
- (5) Use of the words "service," "street," "drive," or "avenue."

(c) An address shall not contain a duplication of the type of street within its name (i.e., Veterans Park PK). When an address contains the names of two (2) types of streets, the first type becomes part of the street name and second type must be abbreviated.

(d) Streets having the same name, but designated as different types of streets, are acceptable only when the streets are contiguous and have unique number sequences.

(e) Structures must have frontage or an entrance to the street on which their address is assigned.

(f) Separate streets which are capable of ultimate connection shall have the same name until it is determined that their connection will not likely occur. Once the roadways are deemed unconnectable, the addresses shall be changed to assign unique street names for all affected segments.

Section 3. Renumbering and renaming.

(a) Renumbering of properties and assignment of new street names shall be the task of the Powell County Mapping Coordinator. The renumbering of addresses and assignment or renaming of street names shall be for the purposes of public safety.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit either the board of commissioners or the fiscal court from renumbering properties or naming/renaming streets or hearing appeals of readdressing should either body deem it in the public interest to do so, independent of any staff recommendation, within their respective areas of responsibility identified in this article.

(c) The Powell County Mapping Coordinator shall notify the residents and property owners of the intent to renumber properties in person or by certified letter. The property owner may appeal to the Powell County Fiscal Court. The property owner shall have thirty (30) days from the proof of service date of the letter of notification to request an appeal of the renumbering action. The Powell County Fiscal Court shall notify the Powell County Mapping Coordinator of any action taken to appeal the address change. If the property owner does not appeal within the thirty-day period, then the addresses will be renumbered as directed by the Powell County Mapping Coordinator.

(d) Upon implementation of an address change, notification will be sent to the residents, property owners, and the following agencies (depending on jurisdiction) informing them of the address change:

City of Stanton

Powell County Fiscal Court

Powell County PVA

Powell County Sheriff

Stanton Police Department

Clay City Police Department

All Powell County Fire Departments

Powell County Postmaster

Clay City Water

City of Stanton Water

Powell's Valley Water District

Powell County School System

AT&T

Clark Energy Cooperative

Delta Gas

Section 4. - Maintenance of number display; defacement; noncompliance; penalties.

(a) Law enforcement personnel for the city and county governments shall have the power to require the owner or occupant of any business or residential structure within Powell County to affix and maintain building, site and/or property numbers as required in this article.

(b) Any owner or occupant of a business or residential structure who, upon being notified by the Powell County Mapping Coordinator to affix a number upon a structure or other device, shall fail to do so within five (5) days of notification, shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each day thereafter until he or she complies with the order of the Powell County Mapping Coordinator.

(c) Any person who unlawfully defaces, moves, removes, or causes to be moved or removed any building, site or property number affixed upon a structure or other device such as a street sign in such a way that it is not clearly visible and identifiable at all times during daylight hours, shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense.

(d) Any person who places or causes to be placed any sign bearing a name not approved by the Powell County Mapping Coordinator upon any private access easement shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) plus a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each day the sign remains after being given notice by the code enforcement personnel for the city and county governments to remove such sign.

Enacted this the 11th day of April, 2023.



EDDIE BARNES,
Powell County Judge Executive

ATTEST:



Connie Crabtree,
Fiscal Court Clerk

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Effective upon publication.

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The full text of the above amending ordinance is available for inspection in the office of the Powell County Judge-Executive, Powell County Courthouse, Stanton, Kentucky, 40380.