

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2015

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE
REPEALING ELK GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 12.24, STREET
NUMBERING SYSTEM, AND ADOPTING CHAPTER 12.26, TITLED
STREET NAMING AND NUMERING SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the City intends to replace its Elk Grove Municipal Code (EGMC) Chapter 12.24 Street Numbering System with language that will exclusively become EGMC Chapter 12.26; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 12.24 as adopted from the County of Sacramento County Code Municipal Code in July 2000 did not address the process of naming streets or the renaming and renumbering of streets; and

WHEREAS, the City is desirous of adding a Veterans Street Name Section to the EGMC to allow the use of names of veterans of military service who have lived in the City of Elk Grove as street names; and

WHEREAS, now the City of Elk Grove wishes to repeal EGMC Title 12.24, Street Numbering System, and adopt a new EGMC Chapter 12.26, titled Street Naming and Numbering System.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Elk Grove does ordain as follows:

Section 1: Purpose and Authority.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to add the Street Naming and the Renaming and Renumbering Sections along with the Veterans Street Name Section by repealing Elk Grove Municipal Code (EGMC) Chapters 12.24, Street Numbering System, and adding EGMC Chapter 12.26, Street Naming and Numbering System.

Section 2: Repeal of EGMC Chapter 12.24. Street Numbering System.

The City Council hereby repeals EGMC Chapter 12.24, Street Numbering System in its entirety.

Section 3: Addition of EGMC Chapter 12.26. Street Naming and Numbering System.

The City Council does hereby adopt EGMC Chapter 12.26, Street Naming and Numbering System, as follows:

Chapter 12.26
STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING SYSTEM

Sections:

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12.26.010 Purpose.

A uniform system of naming and numbering streets within the City is hereby established in order to: continue an orderly system for street naming, to remove conflicts, duplications or uncertainty among street names, promote the public interest, safety, welfare, and convenience. The system will facilitate rapid location of properties for emergency services, law enforcement, postal delivery, and business delivery.

12.26.020 Designating Authority.

The Public Works Director (Director) or his/her designee shall allow for the naming, numbering, renaming and renumbering of streets within the City pursuant to the standards contained herein. For the purposes of this section, a street shall include a City Street or a Private Street.

12.26.030 Assignment of Street Names.

Street names shall be assigned based on the lot/parcel frontage on the street. Frontage shall mean the general place of access to a building or structure that a person would use for normal ingress and egress. Any street name shall have a maximum of fourteen (14) characters, not including the roadway designator.

When a name has not been assigned to a street, the Director may assign names to any existing street that is shown on any recorded map, any existing street that is not shown on any recorded map, or any private street or any Irrevocable Offer of Dedication shown on any map or in any deed.

12.26.032 Driveways.

Street names shall not be used to identify driveways in commercial centers, office building parking lots, rural access easements, or entrances that have the appearance of a street.

12.26.034 Veterans Street Names.

The City has established a Veteran Street and Public Safety Naming Program that recognizes individuals who have served in the military and have lived in the City. Veterans approved through this Program will have their names placed on a list from which the Director will pull the next available name when assigning a Veterans street name to a development project.

12.26.036 Prohibited Street Names

The following street names are prohibited:

- A. Names already in use within the City.
- B. Similar sounding street names.
- C. Names involving profanity or vulgarity.

12.26.038 Street Name Suffixes.

The following suffixes shall be applied to all names approved pursuant to this Chapter.

- A. Except as hereinafter provided, the term "street" is used for streets which generally extend in a northerly and southerly direction, regardless of width.
- B. Except as hereinafter provided, the term "avenue" is used for streets which generally extend in an easterly and westerly direction, regardless of width.
- C. Except as hereinafter provided, the term "drive" is used for streets which are forty-six (46'0") feet or greater in width, and are not designated as streets or avenues.
- D. The term "way" is used for streets which are less than forty-six (46' 0") feet in width, and are not designated streets or avenues.
- E. The term "road" is used for streets which are sixty (60' 0") feet or greater in width, and are situated in a rural area of the City. As identified in the City General Plan, "road" may also be applied to a private street less than sixty (60' 0") feet in width.
- F. The terms "court" or "place" are used for streets which terminate in a cul-de-sac with no intermediate access.
- G. The term "circle" is used for streets which begin and terminate in the same street, with no intermediate access.
- H. The term "boulevard" is used for streets which are major traffic thoroughfares.
- I. The term "lane" is used for a private street that is not maintained by the City.

12.26.040 Street Names in New Subdivisions.

Prior to the approval of any final map, the developer shall submit a list of names to the Director or his/her designee for approval. The process of approval of the names shall be as follows:

- A. The proposed names submitted by the developer are reviewed by the Director or his/her designee. If any of the names are not approved, the Director or his/her designee shall notify the developer and the developer will be required to submit new names for approval. Once all the street names have been approved, these names will be shown on the approved improvement plans and the subdivision map approved for recordation. Once the subdivision map has been filed with the Sacramento County Recorder the names shown on the map shall be the official street names.
- B. All new subdivisions shall include at least one name from the approved list of Veterans street names described in EGMC Section 12.26.034.

12.26.042 Changes to Street Names.

The Director has the right to change the name of any street within the City in accordance with EGMC Section 12.26.020.

- A. The Director may direct the name of a street to be changed as shown on a recorded subdivision map in conformance with Government Code Section 66469(g).
- B. The Director may change the name of any street upon his/her own accord based on any criteria stated in EGMC Section 12.26.010.
- C. The Director has discretion to change the name of any street upon submission of a petition submitted by all of the property owners that will be affected by the name change. The Director shall designate the form of the petition. The petition shall be submitted to the Director with three (3) proposed street names, a map showing the location of the street name at issue, and a fee as determined by resolution of the City Council. The proposed names will be reviewed in the same manner as a street name review for a subdivision map. If the street name requested to be changed ends at or near the City boundary line, petitioners must obtain a letter from the adjoining City and/or County indicating their position to the proposed name change. Upon concurrence that the name shall be changed the director will provide an order changing the street name to the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento.

12.26.050 Street Numbering.

The Director or his/her designee shall assign numbers to properties abutting streets within the City. Those numbers will be based on the American River for a north-south grid and on sectionalized lands for an east-west grid that were established within the County prior to the incorporation of the City.

12.26.052 Changes to Street Numbering.

The City has the right to change the number of any property abutting streets within the City pursuant to EGMC Section 12.26.020.

- A. The Director may change the street number of a property when the Director or his/her designee finds that the change is necessary for any purpose stated in EGMC Section 12.26.010.
- B. The Director has the discretion to change the street number of any property upon request from the owner(s) of the property.

The request for a number change shall be submitted to the Director or his/her designee in a format approved by the Director. If approved, the Director shall change the number of the street and direct staff to make all necessary changes to City records and send the owner a letter via Postal Service indicating the new street number.

12.26.060 Specifications.

The Director shall determine the size, color, and type of numbers placed upon properties abutting streets within the City as well as the numbering of multiple structures on the same property. The numbers shall be sufficient to enable persons searching for these numbers to be able to read them from the abutting street without entering the property.

12.26.070 Penalty.

It shall be the responsibility of both owners and occupants of property abutting roads within the City to post numbers upon such property in accordance with standards designated by the Director pursuant to EGMC Section 12.26.060.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 36900 of the Government Code, an owner or occupant of property abutting a street within the City who fails, within ten (10) days following mailing of written notice to do so, to post a number upon such property corresponding to the number designated by the Director shall be guilty of an infraction which shall be enforced pursuant to the provisions of EGMC Chapter 1.04.

12.26.080 Appeals

Any person dissatisfied with the decision of the Director may appeal the decision in accordance with the provisions of EGMC Chapter 1.11.

Section 4: Severability.

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable. This City Council declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof and intends that the invalid portions should be severed and the balance of the Ordinance be enforced.


Section 5: No Mandatory Duty of Care.

This ordinance is not intended to and shall not be construed or given effect in a manner that imposes upon the City, or any officer or employee thereof a mandatory duty of care towards persons and property within or without the City, so as to provide a basis of civil liability for damages, except as otherwise imposed by law.

Section 6: Effective Date and Publication.

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption. In lieu of publication of the full text of the ordinance within fifteen (15) days after its passage, a summary of the ordinance may be published at least five (5) days prior to and fifteen (15) days after adoption by the City Council and a certified copy shall be posted in the Office of the City Clerk, pursuant to Section 36933(c) (1) of the Government Code.

ORDINANCE: **03-2015**
INTRODUCED: January 14, 2015
ADOPTED: January 28, 2015
EFFECTIVE: February 27, 2015



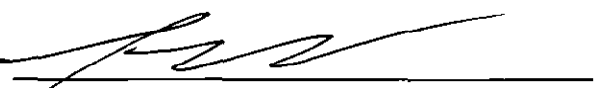
GARY DAVIS, MAYOR of the
CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:



JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



JONATHAN P. HOBBS,
CITY ATTORNEY

Date signed: February 2, 2015

**CERTIFICATION
ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 03-2015**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss
CITY OF ELK GROVE)

I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance, published and posted in compliance with State law, was duly introduced on January 14, 2015 and approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on January 28, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES : **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Davis, Hume, Detrick, Ly, Suen*

NOES: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSTAIN: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSENT: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

A summary of the ordinance was published pursuant to GC 36933(c) (1).



**Jason Lindgren, City Clerk
City of Elk Grove, California**