ORDINANCE NO. 2017-6

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF SOCIAL CIRCLE, GEORGIA TO ADOPT THE MODEL INTERNATIONAL STANDARD CODES BY REFERENCE

WHEREAS, the City of Social Circle has adopted ordinances pertaining to certain regulations for the purpose of adopting certain model code provisions.

WHEREAS, the Georgia State Legislature's passage of the Uniform Codes Act requires that certain enumerated construction codes be adopted and enforced by local governments;

WHEREAS, the current Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Social Circle does not reflect the newly revised list of Georgia State Minimum Standard Codes;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have determined that it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Social Circle that the City amend the City Ordinances for the City of Social Circle, Georgia, to reflect these necessary changes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Social Circle, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by authority of same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Code of the city of Social Circle, Georgia is hereby amended by adding Section One, entitled, "Adoption of State Minimum Standard Codes", as follows:

SECTION ONE – ADOPTION OF STATE MINIMUM STANDARD CODES

1. Standard Codes.

- (A) <u>Intent and Purpose</u>. It is the desire of The City of Social Circle to adopt, in all respects, the various Standard Codes relating to amusement devised, building, fire prevention, gas, grading, housing, mechanical, plumbing and swimming pools.
- (B) The adoption of these Codes is done to facilitate proper inspection activities by the City of Social Circle, Walton and Newton Counties, Georgia relating to construction and to maintenance of buildings within the corporate limits of said town and relating to public safety, health and general welfare.
- (C) The following Codes are hereby adopted by reference in the form referenced below as amended and approved by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs as though they were copied herein fully:

i.	International Building Code	2012 Edition
ii.	International Fuel Gas Code	2012 Edition
iii.	International Mechanical Code	
	as published by the International Code Council	2012 Edition
iv.	International Plumbing Code	2012 Edition

\mathbf{V}_{\star}	National Electric Code	2014 Edition		
vi.	International Fire Code			
	as published by the International Code Council	2012 Edition		
vii.	International Residential Code			
	for One and Two Family Dwellings	2012 Edition		
viii.	International Swimming Pool and Spa Code	2012 Edition		
ix.	International Existing Building Code	2012 Edition		
\mathbf{X}_{\bullet}	International Property Maintenance Code	2012 Edition		
xi.	Life Safety Code,			
	as published by the National Fire Protection Association	the National Fire Protection Association		
xii.	International Energy Conservation Code	2009 Edition		
xiii.	National Green Building Standard	2008 Edition		
xiv.	Georgia 120-3-20,			
	or otherwise known as the Accessibility Code.			

SECTION 2. Unless otherwise provides herein, the penalties provided for violations of this Ordinance are set out in the general penalties sections of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Social Circle, are under the authority of the Municipal Court as established by the Code and are hereby incorporated herein as if fully set out.

SECTION 3. Except as provided otherwise herein, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to the Section 2.25 of the City Charter, authority is hereby delegated to the City Clerk to cause this Ordinance to be numbered and codified in the City Code of Social Circle, Georgia, in such a way as to place this Ordinance in the Code in an organized and orderly sequence to maximize the organization of the Code. The City Clerk is authorized to designate to the City Attorney or to such other Mayor and Council approved contractors to assist in the effort to codify this provision provided the decision of the City Clerk is final as to the placement of this Ordinance within the City Code of Social Circle, Georgia. The goal of this authorization is to codify and number this Ordinance in the Code in such a way as to be clear and orderly.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and Council of the City of Social Circle, Georgia.

SECTION 6. It is hereby declared that if any phrase, sentence, or paragraph hereof shall be found or declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining phrases, sentences and paragraphs hereof shall remain in full force and effect as if enacted without the phrase, sentence, or paragraph declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Hal W. Dally, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan M. Roper, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Anthony O. L. Powell, City Attorney Webb, Tanner & Powell P.C.

Adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting on April 18, 2017.

- 4 Council members voting in favor
- __0__ Council members voting against
- __0_ Council members abstaining