



COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

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Bill No.: 23-1248

Ordinance NO.: 24-0107

January 30, 2024

See attached memorandum relating to the amended Ordinance Number assignment.



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Dennis Gannon
County Executive

DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY COUNSELOR

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Hon. Jeannie Goff,
County Clerk

FROM: Jason L. Cordes, Esq.

RE: AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY,
APRIL 2, 2024, UPON THE QUESTION OF DISINCORPORATION OF THE
VILLAGE OF PEACEFUL VILLAGE AND FOR THE NOTICE OF THE
ELECTION TO BE PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 80.570 RSMO.

Currently assigned Ordinance Number "23-0551"

DATE: 1/30/2024

ISSUE:

Your Office brought to the attention of the County Counselor an issue involving the apparent assignment of the same number to two different Ordinances, both of which were approved by the County Council and signed into law by the County Executive. Specifically, you brought to our attention that an Ordinance, which began as Bill 23-1248 (ordering an election to be held on the disincorporation of Village of Peaceful Village, and referenced above), and an Ordinance which began as Bill 23-1135, A1 (approving the budget for fiscal year 2024) had both been assigned Ordinance Number "23-0551."

ANALYSIS:

This Office has reviewed the journals of the relevant County Council Meetings and determined that the assignment of "23-0551" to the Ordinance relating to the budget (i.e. what was Bill 23-1135, A1) is correct. The assignment of "23-0551" to the Ordinance relating to the election on the disincorporation of the Village of Peaceful Village (i.e., what was Bill 23-1248 and referenced above) is incorrect. That number had already been assigned to the budget Ordinance. Moreover,

the Village of Peaceful Village Ordinance was enacted in calendar year 2024, being signed into law by County Executive Gannon on January 16, 2024. It should, therefore, never have been assigned a “23” Ordinance number, but should, instead, have been assigned a “24” Ordinance number.

We note that the other Ordinances that were passed at the January 8, 2024, County Council Meeting, and signed into law by the Executive (also on January 16, 2024), were assigned Ordinance numbers 24-0100 through 24-0106. The Village of Peaceful Village Ordinance should have been assigned the next number in line, i.e., 24-0107.

Further, regarding this Ordinance we note that, on page 4, staff inadvertently left off the date for the Third Reading. The Journal of the January 8, 2024, County Council Meeting reflects that such reading occurred at the January 8, 2024, Meeting.

CONCLUSION:

Therefore, the Ordinance, which began as Bill 23-1248 and which was titled “AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024, UPON THE QUESTION OF DISINCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF PEACEFUL VILLAGE AND FOR THE NOTICE OF THE ELECTION TO BE PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 80.570 RSMO[,]” is Ordinance Number 24-0107.

The fact that this Ordinance was originally assigned an already used number does not affect the validity of the Ordinance. It is Ordinance Number 24-0107.

This Office does not desire to alter or amend the Ordinance by interlineation or otherwise. Thus, we ask that you forever keep this Memorandum with the Ordinance, and that you correct County Clerk records to reflect that “24-0107” is the correct number for this Ordinance and that it be removed from electronic storage amongst the 2023 Ordinances and instead be electronically stored amongst the 2024 Ordinances.

Further, any Ballot References regarding the question of the disincorporation of the Village of Peaceful Village should be to “Ordinance Number 24-0107.”

Please advise if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Jason L. Cordes

Jason L. Cordes, Esq.,
Assistant County Counselor,

BILL NO.: 23-1248

ORDINANCE NO.: 23-0551

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER(S) Gweteke

1 **AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY,**
2 **APRIL 2, 2024, UPON THE QUESTION OF DISINCORPORATION OF THE**
3 **VILLAGE OF PEACEFUL VILLAGE AND FOR THE NOTICE OF THE**
4 **ELECTION TO BE PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 80.570 RSMO.**

5 **WHEREAS**, in November and December of 2023, a circulator, John Kindermann,
6 collected the signatures of twenty-five percent of the registered voters of the Village of
7 Peaceful Village; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the County Clerk's office certified that all the signatures were valid;
9 and

10 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 80.570, RSMo., the Jefferson County,
11 Missouri, Council must order an election upon the question of disincorporation submitted to
12 the voters of Village of Peaceful Village; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 80.570, RSMo., the Jefferson County,
14 Missouri, Council shall authorize the publication of the notice of said election in a
15 newspaper of general circulation published in Jefferson County, Missouri; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the Jefferson County, Missouri, Council has determined that the
17 question of disincorporation of the Village of Peaceful Village should be placed on the ballot
18 at the election to be conducted on April 2, 2024.

19 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, COUNCIL,**
20 **AS FOLLOWS:**

FILED
JAN 16 2024
JEANNIE GOFF
COUNTY CLERK, JEFFERSON COUNTY, MO

1 Section 1: Pursuant to the authority granted by, and subject to, the provisions of
2 Section 80.570, RSMo., the Jefferson County, Missouri, Council orders an election upon the
3 question of disincorporation of the Village of Peaceful Village to be called and held on
4 Tuesday, April 2, 2024, for the residents of the Village of Peaceful Village.

5 Section 2: The Jefferson County, Missouri, Council authorizes the notice of
6 publication of said election to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Jefferson
7 County, which includes a copy of the petition and the names of the petitioners, for a period
8 of eight (8) weeks successively.

9 Section 3: The question to the voters in the Village of Peaceful Village shall be as
10 follows:

11 Shall the Village of Peaceful Village be dissolved?
12 YES _____ NO _____

13 If you are in favor of the question, place an " x" in the box opposite " Yes."

14 If you are opposed to the question, place an " x" in the box opposite "No."

15 Section 4: The Jefferson County, Missouri, Council hereby requests that the
16 County Clerk of the County of Jefferson, Missouri, as the Election Authority for the County
17 and the election officials under her direction and control conduct such election as hereby
18 called for by this Ordinance.

19 Section 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately from and
20 after its date of approval. If any part of this Ordinance is invalid for any reason, such
21 invalidity shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

THIS BILL WAS ✓ APPROVED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND ENACTED AS AN ORDINANCE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, THIS 14 DAY OF January, 2023.

THIS BILL WAS _____ VETOED AND RETURNED TO THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, COUNCIL WITH WRITTEN OBJECTIONS BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

Dennis J. Gannon
Dennis J. Gannon, Jefferson County, Missouri, Executive

ATTEST:

Jeannie Goff
Jeannie Goff, County Clerk

BY: Shelley Blankenship

First Reading: 12/21/2023

Second Reading: 01/08/2024

Third Reading:



ORDINANCE NO.

23-0551

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November 29, 2023

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CERTIFICATION PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION VILLAGE OF PEACEFUL VILLAGE

I, Jeannie Goff, County Clerk of the County of Jefferson, Missouri hereby acknowledges the receipt of the following pages of the petition to dissolve the Village of Peaceful Village.

Page Range(s): 1 - 4

I hereby certify that this office has checked all signatures contained on the above-reference pages and that the totals reported on the following pages are correct.


Jeannie Goff, Jefferson County Clerk


Date Signed

**Petition to Dissolve the Village of Peaceful Village
2023
County of Jefferson**

VALID SIGNATURES		
16	1	Number of signatures found valid as "R"
-	2	Number of signature found valid as "RDA"
16	3	Total number of valid signatures (add 1 and 2)

INVALID SIGNATURES		
-	4	Number of signatures found invalid as "NR"
-	5	Number of signatures found invalid as "WA"
-	6	Number of signatures found invalid as "WS"
-	7	Number of signatures found invalid as "MA"
	8	Number of signatures found invalid as "OD"
-	9	Total number of duplicate signatures; i.e., additional signatures over and above the signer's first signature that is counted in the appropriate category above. "DUP"
-	10	Total number of invalid signatures (add 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9)

16	11	Total number of signatures checked (add 3 and 10)
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"R" = Registered
"RDA" = Registered different address
"NR" = Not Registered
"WA" = Wrong address
"WS" = Wrong signature
"OD" = Other District
"MA" = Missing Address
"DUP" = Duplicate signer

County Jefferson

It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any referendum petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly to sign his or her name more than once for the same measure for the same election, or to sign a petition when such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

PETITION FOR REFERENDUM

We, the undersigned, registered voters of the state of Missouri and Jefferson County, respectfully order that the in accordance with Missouri Law (RSMO 80.70) SHALL THE VILLAGE OF PEACEFUL VILLAGE BE DISINCORPORATED shall be referred to the voters of Peaceful Village of the State of Missouri, for their approval or rejection, at the election to be held in accordance with 80.570.

I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the state of Missouri and Jefferson County; my registered voting address and the name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

PETITION FOR DISINCORPORATION – VILLAGE OF PEACEFUL VILLAGE

CIRCULATOR'S AFFIDAVIT

State Of Missouri,

County Of Jefferson I, John Kindermann, being first duly sworn, say the below

	Signature	address	Print Name	DATE
1		2716 Royal Oaks Drive Peaceful Village MO 63049	John Kindermann	11/19/23
2		2722 ROYAL OAK Peaceful Village MO 63049	REBECCA STEINBERG	11-19-23
3		2739 ROYAL OAK Peaceful Village MO 63049	MICHAEL HODSON	11-19-23
4		2739 ROYAL OAK Peaceful Village MO 63049	DORIS HODSON	11-19-23
5		2716 ROYAL OAK Peaceful Village MO 63049	PAT HODSON	11/19/22

I signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, registered voting address and city, town or village correctly, and that each signer is a registered voter of the state of Missouri and Jefferson County. FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY SWEAR OR AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF, FOUND GUILTY OF, OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FORGERY.

I am at least 18 years of age. I do not expect to be paid for circulating this petition.

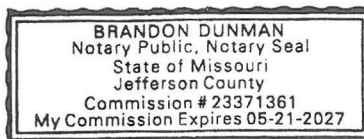
Signature of Affiant

John Kindermann

2716 Royal Oak Drive, Peaceful Village MO 63049

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of Nov, A.D. 2023.

Signature of Notary
Address of Notary



Notary Public (Seal)

My commission expires 5/21/27

FILED

NOV 29 2023

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6		2724 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	NICHOLAS MCKNIGHT	11/24/23
7		2726 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	KAMRYN MCKNIGHT	11/24/23
8		2715 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	JOHN ROBERT FORESTER	11/22/23
9		2721 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	DONNA SAUER	11/22/23
10		2721 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	ACHIM SAUER	11/22/23

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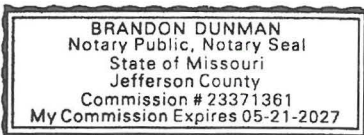
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11	<i>Betty Street</i>	2732 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	BETTY STREET	11/23/23
12	<i>Donna M. Neff</i>	2723 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	DONNA NEFF	11-19-2023
13	<i>Vicky R. McMullan</i>	2717 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	VICKY MCMULLAN	11-21-2023
14	<i>David McMullan</i>	2717 ROYAL OAKS Peaceful Village MO 63049	DAVID MCMULLAN	11-21-2023
15		Peaceful Village MO 63049		

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BRANDON DUNMAN
Notary Public, Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Jefferson County
Commission # 23371361
My Commission Expires 05-21-2027

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R 16	<i>Lester Gabel</i>	5732 LA TRACE LN Peaceful Village MO 63049	LESTER GABEL	11/20/23
R 17	<i>Ann Gabel</i>	5732 LA TRACE LN Peaceful Village MO 63049	ANN GABEL	11/20/23
18		5731 SUNSHINE DR Peaceful Village MO 63049	BRITANY BANAGER	
19		592 SUNSHINE DR Peaceful Village MO 63049	JAMES WALLACE	
20		Peaceful Village MO 63049		

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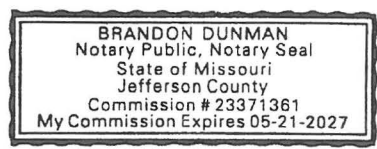
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