City of Independence, Ky.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-O-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 150.03 OF THE INDEPENDENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES AS IT RELATES TO NEIGHBORHOOD DELIVERY AND COLLECTION BOX UNITS (GANG MAIL BOXES)

WHEREAS, the City of Independence by Ordinance No. 2004-O-21, amended Ordinance 1993-01 which regulated the installation of neighborhood delivery and collection box units (gang mail boxes) within the city; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to change the regulation of the gang mail boxes to allow residents greater control over the regulation on their street; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, COUNTY OF KENTON, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

Deleted portions are struck through and added portions are underlined

SECTION I

Ordinance No. 2004-O-21, which amended Ordinance 1993-01 as codified in Section 150.03 of the Independence Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

150.03 GANG MAIL BOXES PROHIBITED UNLESS INSTALLATION OF A GANG MAILBOX WILL CORRECT PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE IMPEDED REGULAR MAIL DELIVERY IN A SPECIFIC LOCATION

It is in the best interest of the citizens to regulate the installation of neighborhood delivery and collection box units (gang mail boxes) within the city. Any future installation of these units will continue to be prohibited in all traditional single-family residential developments to prevent any problems or inconveniences upon its residents and furthermore to avoid confusion for residents in Independence except when:

Circumstances exist which may impede regular mail delivery and installation of a gang mail box can be reasonably expected to correct this circumstance

AND

The City of Independence, through the City Administrator, and the United States Postal Service (USPS) mutually agree that a location may quality for a gang mail box, and City of Independence funds are available based on a shared cost between City and USPS*

AND

Fifty One Percent (51%) of the property owners affected by the gang mail box by having their mailbox moved to the gang mail box, shall cast a ballot as provided by City the Independence in favor of placing a gang mail box on the street. The
City of Independence shall give one ballot per Owner, and mailed to the address of record, at the time of the vote, at the Kenton County PVA.

NDCBU's Gang mail boxes may be installed and used in conjunction with multi-family residential developments and multi-unit commercial and/or shopping developments, provided they be used and installed in compliance with, or in cooperation with, the United States Postal Service and any requirements that service may have.

In addition, the Building Inspector for the city reserves the right to determine the placement of the gang mail boxes NDCBU's the development.

SECTION II

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force when passed, published, and recorded according to law.

Christopher J. Reinersman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gina Gabbard, City Clerk

First Reading: August 27, 2018
Second Reading: September 10, 2018
Ayes: 5
Nays: 1
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