

ARTICLE I ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTROLS

SECTION 1-1 SHORT TITLE

This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Zoning Ordinance of the City of Mount Vernon, Texas."

SECTION 1-2 INTERPRETATION AND PURPOSES

In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this ordinance shall be held to be the minimum requirements adopted for the promotion of the public health, safety, and welfare. The zoning regulations and districts as herein established, have been made in accordance with a comprehensive plan, for the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals and the general welfare of the town; they have been designed, among other things

- to lessen congestion on streets;
- to secure safety from fire, panic and other dangers;
- to promote health and the general welfare;
- to provide adequate light and air;
- to prevent the overcrowding of land;
- to avoid undue concentration of population;
- to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewage, schools, parks, and other public requirements; and
- to conserve the value of property and encourage the most appropriate use of land through the town.

SECTION 1-3 SCOPE

It is not intended by this ordinance to repeal, abrogate, annul or in any way impair or interfere with existing provisions of other laws or ordinances, except as the same may be specifically repealed by the terms of this ordinance, or with private restrictions placed upon property by conveyance, deed, easement, or other private agreement. Where this ordinance imposes a greater restriction upon land, buildings or structures than is imposed or required by other laws, ordinances, covenants or agreements, the provisions of this ordinance shall govern.

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