



## Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE 14:038 ADOPTING THE 2010 ADA STANDARD CODE BY REFERENCE

WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 14:038 was adopted by the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, on July 1, 2014, and adopted the 2010 ADA Standard Code; and

WHEREAS, the ADA standards are not a building code. There is no plan review or permitting process under the ADA, nor are building departments required or authorized by the ADA to enforce the ADA standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro has been advised by the Arkansas Municipal League that we are the only city in the State of Arkansas that has adopted said code and it should be repealed, as we have no enforcement powers under the ADA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro remains committed to providing accommodations to promote equal access to all city services and facilities to persons with disabilities, and to following the grievance procedures established within the city to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The City of Jonesboro hereby establishes a grievance procedure in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. A copy of the current procedure is attached hereto and will be available to citizens upon request and on the city website.

SECTION 2: The City of Jonesboro hereby designates the Human Resources Director as the ADA Coordinator. Further, the Mayor shall establish a grievance committee comprised of relevant city departments to address all complaints and conduct self-evaluations of city properties and programs.

SECTION 3: The City of Jonesboro shall begin a self-evaluation of all city properties and programs to ensure accessibility for all citizens. During this evaluation, all public comments are welcome and should be directed to the ADA Coordinator. Upon completion of the self-evaluation, the report shall be made available to all citizens upon request, and shall be published on the city website.

SECTION 4: The City of Jonesboro hereby repeals Ordinance 14:038, and any other ordinance or resolution which references the adoption of the 2010 ADA Standard Code, or which may conflict with this ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.