

**CITY OF AUDUBON PARK, KENTUCKY
ORDINANCE NUMBER 1, SERIES 2016
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN OVERLAY DISTRICT COMPRISING THE
AUDUBON PARK NATIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, it is the essential purpose of this City to provide a safe, secure and comfortable environment for its citizens; a healthy and renewable urban forest and bird sanctuary; and a haven for outdoor activities in its private and public spaces; and

WHEREAS, this character is recognized and enshrined in the National Register of Historic Places by its designation of Audubon Park as a National Historic District; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the City Council to enact laws to protect and enhance the character and integrity of the City, and to insure those laws remain enforceable by every means at its disposal;

NOW THEREFORE be it ordained by the City of Audubon Park:

(1) Under the authority of KRS 82.660 (1), an overlay district is hereby established for the City, in order to provide for the preservation and conservation of its historic, architectural, natural and cultural character and integrity.

(2) The district will conform to the corporate boundaries of the City of Audubon Park, as recorded in Title III of the City Code.

(3) Distinctive characteristics of the district to be preserved and conserved include, *inter alia*, its seclusion from the surrounding urban area; its abundance of trees and green spaces, and accompanying invitation to outdoor activities; its eclectic mix of period architecture; and the healthy environment and wildlife habitat afforded by its urban forest and responsible citizenry.

(4) Overlay regulations shall be promulgated and administered solely as City ordinances; their administration is therefore the responsibility of the Code Enforcement Board, operating as provided in the Code of Ordinances. The Board shall establish a body of experts to assist in the review of design standards and development proposals.

(5) Proposed development within the district shall be reviewed as prescribed in Title XV, the City Building Code, providing for adequate notice, public hearings, and timely consideration of applications.

(6) Standards, guidelines and criteria governing development within the district to preserve, conserve and protect the historical, architectural, cultural, aesthetic and other distinctive characteristics of the district are embodied in the City Code, whose provisions are incorporated by reference as overlay regulations.

This Ordinance was adopted at a meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park, Kentucky, held on the 16th day of February, 2016, having first been read at a meeting held on the 16th day of November, 2015.

DORN CRAWFORD, Mayor

ATTEST:

JANETTE MERCER, City Clerk