# **ORDINANCE #13-2017**

An Ordinance of the City of Comanche, Texas, amending Ordinance #02-1999 Urban Standards, providing for the installation or construction of Tiny Houses within the City of Comanche, Texas.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Comanche as determined to be in the City's best interest to develop zoning requirements for Tiny Houses; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City that the health, safety and general welfare of the City be promoted by planning the orderly growth of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Comanche finds it to be in the best interest of the public safety, health and general welfare to regulate Tiny Houses within the City; therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMANCHE:

### Section I

This Ordinance is hereby referenced as the "Comanche Tiny Houses Ordinance."

#### Section II. General Definitions

For purposes of this Ordinance, certain terms, words and phrases shall have the meaning hereinafter ascribed thereto.

- A. Building Official: The Fire Marshall, Code Administrator, Code Enforcement Officer or other designated inspection authority of the City.
- B. City: City of Comanche, Comanche County, Texas and its extraterritorial jurisdiction.
- C. City Council: City Council of the City of Comanche, Texas.
- D. Common Access Route/Internal Street: Private drive allowing principle means of access to individual Tiny Houses.
- E. Driveway: Minor entrance way of the common access route, into an offstreet parking area serving one or more Tiny Houses.
- F. Permit: Written permit and or application issued by the City of Comanche permitting the placement, construction, alteration or extension of a Tiny Home under the provisions of this Ordinance and regulations issued hereunder.

# Section V. Penalty Provisions

Any person violating this Ordinance or any portion thereof shall upon conviction be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than \$250.00 for each day that such violation continues. Each day may be considered a separate offense and punishable accordingly.

# Section VI. Severability

If any section or part of any section or paragraph of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force or effect of any other section or sections or part of a section or paragraph of this Ordinance.

# Section VII. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect on January 15, 2018 after its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMANCHE CITY COUNCIL ON THIS  $11^{\rm TH}$  DAY OF DECEMBER, 2017.

Ronnie Clifton Mayor

James H. Dudley, City Attorney

Jaco' Stewart, Interim City Secretary