

ORDINANCE NO. 1009

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS MAKING AN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA RELATING TO SHIPPING AND STORAGE CONTAINERS.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA, LABETTE COUNTY, KANSAS:**

**SECTION 1.** That Section 4-305 is hereby created and enacted for the purpose of governance of shipping and storage containers in the City of Chetopa, Kansas.

- (a) The use of shipping/storage containers requires the issuance of a building permit prior to movement of said structure onto any property within the city limits.
- (b) The number of shipping/storage containers per land parcel is one with a maximum size of 2,390 cubic feet (40'0"L x 8'0"W x 8'6"H).
- (c) All signage on the shipping/storage container shall be removed and the container maintained in a serviceable condition with no rust holes and be structurally sound.
- (d) No shipping/storage container may be placed on a land parcel that does not have a principal structure unless such parcel is adjacent to and under the same ownership as a parcel with a principal structure.
- (e) Shipping/storage containers must be placed in a manner that does not impede access to public right-of-ways, utilities/drainage easements or other structures/buildings.
- (f) Adequate means for fire and emergency vehicle access to shipping/storage containers shall be maintained and no accumulation of any materials shall be placed around the outside perimeter of said containers.
- (g) Materials stored inside shipping/storage containers shall be normal personal household items, (i.e. no fire hazardous materials/chemicals, etc.)
- (h) Shipping/storage containers must be placed on a solid, improved surface capable of preventing the growth of grass or weeds and sustaining vehicle/foot traffic loads without the formation of muddy or soft ground conditions. These surfaces would include concrete, asphalt, gravel, paving stones, or other similar durable, non-biodegradable materials capable of bearing the weight of said container and items stored within.

- (i) Shipping/storage containers must be setback a minimum of (5) five feet from property lines and placed in such a way that doesn't block visibility of motorists or otherwise present a safety hazard in the judgement of the Building Inspector.

**SECTION 2.** That this ordinance shall be in force and take effect upon its publication on January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in the official City newspaper.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS,  
LABETTE COUNTY, KANSAS, THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2026.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original ordinance that said ordinance was passed on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_; that the record of the final vote and its passage is found on page \_\_\_\_\_ of the journal of the proceedings of the Council; and that the summary of it was published in the Labette Avenue on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of January 20\_\_\_\_.

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City Clerk