****** First Reading ******

Memo

To: Mayor and City Council

Fr: Shellby Hendee, Development Director

Dt: December 15, 2010

Re: Ordinance, Defining Field Crops

ISSUE
In the process of considering whether field crops should be listed among permitted uses in certain zoning districts, the Planning and Zoning Commission discovered that the zoning ordinance lacks a definition of field crops. Because adding the definition creates an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, a public hearing was conducted and the Commission approves the definition and language provided.

RECOMMENDATION
The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends that the City Council approve the attached ordinance defining the term Field Crops in the City Zoning Ordinance.

Staff recommends a full three readings on this Bill.

Bill 2011-7

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AMENDING ARTICLE 4, DEFINITIONS, OF CHAPTER 13, ZONING, OF THE CAMERON CITY CODE AND ADDING THE DEFINITION OF FIELD CROPS THERETO

WHEREAS, The City allows the planting of field crops, among certain agricultural uses, in "R-2", Two-Family Residential, zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, field crops are not now defined in the City's Zoning Ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission conducted a public hearing on the matter on November 8, 2010 after notice thereof was published on October 21, 2010 in the *Cameron Citizen-Observer*, a newspaper of general circulation; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission, after considering same, has voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council approve this ordinance defining the term Field Crops in the definitions section of the Cameron Zoning Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amend Article 4, Definitions, of Chapter 13, Zoning, of the Cameron City Code by adding the following term:

> **Field Crops:** Those cultivated agricultural commodities commonly associated with farming operations such as corn, soybeans, wheat, oats, hay, sorghum, cotton, barley, rye, rice, forages and similar plants.

Section 2. The Mayor is authorized to sign this ordinance approving it on behalf of the City.

Section 3. The City Clerk is directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed and approved on first reading this 3rd day of January 2011.
Passed and approved on second reading this _____ day of January 2011.
Passed and approved on third and final reading this _____ day of February 2011.

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

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City Clerk