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ORDINANCE NO. 12273

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE I, SECTIONS 17-1 AND 17-2, RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2006 EDITION, AND ALL REFERENCED STANDARDS AND PUBLICATIONS SPECIFIED THEREIN, INCLUDING THE 2006 NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA) 101 LIFE SAFETY CODE IN ITS ENTIRETY FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED OCCUPANCIES, AS THE OFFICIAL FIRE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA; TO AMEND SECTION 17-2 AS APPENDICES TO CODE ADOPTED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 17-3 AS AMENDMENTS TO CODE.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, That Chattanooga City Code, Part II, Chapter 17, Article I, Section 17-1, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 17-1. Fire Code adopted – International Fire Code, 2006 Edition.

The International Fire Code, 2006 Edition, (published by the International Fire Code Council), as amended, and all referenced standards and publications specified therein at Chapter 45, including the 2006 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 Life Safety Code in its entirety for any state building, educational occupancies, and any other occupancy requiring an inspection by the state fire marshal for initial licensure, one (1) copy of which is and has been on file in the office of the City Council Clerk for more than fifteen (15) days, is hereby adopted as the official Fire Code of the City of Chattanooga.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Chattanooga City Code, Part II, Chapter 17, Article I, Section 17-2, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 17-2. Appendices to Code adopted.

The following appendices to the International Fire Code, 2006 Edition, are hereby adopted as part of the official Fire Code of the City:

- Appendix B – Fire Flow Requirements for Buildings.
- Appendix C – Fire Hydrant Locations and Distribution
- Appendix D – Fire Apparatus Access Roads (as amended)

Appendix E – Hazard Categories
Appendix F – Hazard Ranking
Appendix G – Cryogenic Fluids – Weight and Volume Equivalents

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Chattanooga City Code, Part II, Chapter 17, Article I, Section 17-3, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 17-3. Amendments to Code adopted.

The following sections and chapters of the International Fire Code, 2006 Edition, are hereby amended as hereunder provided:

- (1) All references to the International Existing Building Code and International Electrical Code are deleted in their entirety and substituting in lieu thereof shall be the appropriate reference to the International Building Code, 2003 Edition, and/or the International Residential Code, 2003 Edition, and/or the National Electrical Code provisions adopted by the City.
- (2) Section 903.3.5.2 entitled Secondary Water Supply is deleted in its entirety.
- (3) Any appeal of the decision of the Fire Marshal concerning application of the provisions of the International Fire Code shall be heard by the Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals for Building, Electrical, Fire, Fuel Gas, Life Safety, Mechanical and Plumbing pursuant to Section 2-625 of the Chattanooga City Code.
- (4) Appendix D, Section D103 – Minimum Specifications, is amended to delete Section D103.6.1 in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

D103.6.1. Roads 22 feet to 26 feet in width. All fire access roads shall be at least 22 feet in width with wider areas for hydrants and designated parking areas which shall be approved by the City Engineer. Designated pulloffs of 8 feet in width shall be approved by the City Engineer on any streets less than 24 feet in width. Fire access roads 22 feet to 26 feet in width shall be posted on both sides as a fire lane.
- (5) Appendix D, Sections D106 and D107 are deleted in their entirety and the following new Section D106 is substituted in lieu thereof:

D106 – Developments requiring more than one access road. All residential or multiple-family residential developments shall be provided with at least two (2) separate and approved fire access roads whenever any development project has more than 200 dwelling units, regardless of whether the dwelling units are equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage but the Fire Marshal shall have discretion to accept drawings and designs based upon the International Fire Code, 2003 Edition, and the amendments to that Code adopted by the City Council upon a showing of significant financial effect on existing projects up to and including November 1, 2009.

PASSED on Second and Final Reading

August 4, 2009.

W. Jack Brown

CHAIRPERSON

APPROVED: DISAPPROVED:

DATE: Aug 10, 2009

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