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PUBLIC SAFETY

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Section 12-51 Appeals from decision of fire chief.

Whenever the chief of the fire department shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a license or permit applied for, when it is claimed that the provisions of the fire prevention code do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the code have been misconducted or wrongly interpreted, the applicant may appeal from the decision of the chief of the fire department to the city council within thirty (30) days from the date of the decision.

(Code 1958, § 11-7)

Section 12-52 Calls to fire department to report fires.

It shall be unlawful for any person to call over the telephone the number designated to report a fire except to call the fire department out to a fire. The person, either calling for or endeavoring to call such phone number, shall be guilty of violating this Code and punished as prescribed in section 1-6 of this Code.

(Code 1958, § 11-1)

Section 12-53 False alarm; tampering with alarm box.

It shall be unlawful for any person to maliciously give or cause to be given any false alarm of fire by telephone or messenger or by turning in an alarm from any of the fire-alarm telegraph-signal boxes or in any other manner or to break or cause to be broken or in any manner injure, cut or damage or cause to be injured, cut or damaged any of the fire-alarm- signal boxes, poles, wires, or other apparatus or to in any manner interfere with such boxes, poles, wires or other apparatus or any part thereof or the working of such boxes, poles, wires or other apparatus or any

part thereof, unless by the consent of or under the direction of the chief of the fire department.
(Code 1958, § 12-53)

Section 12-54 Storage of inflammable material.

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or have stored in any basement, storeroom, outhouse or other place within the fire limits of the city any rubbish, rakings or sweepings consisting of paper, trash, boxes or parts of boxes, excelsior or any article or thing or substance of like kind or not or inflammable or combustible material where the material increases or tends to increase the fire risk or is likely to endanger from fire any building or other property after notice to remove the material from the chief of the fire department or any officer of the police force. Such person shall have twenty-four (24) hours after receiving such notice to remove the material. Any person failing to comply with the order of the chief of the fire department within the time mentioned shall be summoned to appear before the municipal court of the city, and shall upon conviction be punished as provided in section 1-6 of this Code. (Code 1958, § 11-9)

Section 12-55 Firewood storage within fire district.

It shall be unlawful for any person to accumulate or retain cord wood or any other wood product used for fuel purposes, in an amount in excess of ten (10) cords, at any point within the fire district of the city as defined in section 5-1 of this Code. (Code 1958, § 11-10)

Section 12-56 12-56--12-70. Reserved.

Section 12-70D DIVISION 2. FIRE PREVENTION CODE*

***Editor's note--**Section I of an ordinance adopted April 13, 1992, repealed former Div. 2, §§ 12-71--12-75, relative to the fire prevention code, and enacted a new Div. 2 to read as herein set out. The provisions of former Div. 2 derived from Code 1958, §§ 11-1--11-6, 11-8, and 11-13.

Section 12-71 Adopted.

There is hereby adopted by the city council for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire and explosion, a certain code known as the Standard Fire Prevention Code, 2000 Edition with State Amendments, the entire 2000 Edition being adopted. One (1) copy of such code is on file in the office of the building inspection department, and the code is hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein. The provisions thereof shall be controlling within the limits of the city.

(Ord. of 4-13-92, § I; Ord. of 10-23-95, § VIII; Ord. of 01-30-02)
(2002-12-71, Amended, 01/30/2002)

Section 12-72 Enforcement.

The fire prevention code adopted in section 12-71 shall be enforced by the chief of the fire department.
(Ord. of 4-13-92, § I)

Section 12-73 Reserved.

Section 12-74 Penalties for violations.

(a) Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of the fire prevention code adopted in section 12-71 or fail to comply therewith or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder or who shall build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder or any certificate or permit issued thereunder and from which no appeal has been taken or who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the city council or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein, shall severally for each and every such violation and noncompliance respectively, upon conviction therefor before the municipal court, be punished as provided in section 1-6 of this Code.

(b) The application of the above penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

(Ord. of 4-13-92, § I)