## **BILL NO. 6509**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 6397**

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2015 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE AND CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS THERETO, ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND AMENDING SECTION 500.040 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLAYTON RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, a copy of the code referenced and adopted in this ordinance, has been filed in the office of the city clerk and kept available for public use, inspection, and examination for a period of at least ninety (90) days prior to the adoption of this ordinance and will, following the adoption of this ordinance, be similarly filed and kept available in the office of the city clerk, al in accord with Section 67.280, RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CLAYTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> Section 500.040 of the Municipal Code of the City of Clayton, Missouri, is hereby repealed and a new Section 500.040 adopting the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code and certain amendments relating thereto is hereby enacted in lieu thereof to read as follows:

TITLE V. BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION

**CHAPTER 500: BUILDING CODES AND BUILDING REGULATIONS** 

ARTICLE I. ADOPTION OF BUILDING CODES

SECTION 500.040: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE -- ADOPTION -- ADDITIONS, INSERTIONS, DELETIONS AND CHANGES

- A. Adoption. The 2015 International Property Maintenance Code, First Edition, as published by the International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk, is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the City of Clayton, Missouri, for the control of existing structures, premises and exterior property as herein provided, and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and the terms of the International Property Maintenance Code, First Edition, 2015 are hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this Section with the amendments, additions, insertions and deletions prescribed in Subsection (B) of this Section.
- B. Additions, Insertions, Deletions and Changes. The following numbered Sections and Subsections of the International Property Maintenance Code, First Edition, 2015 are hereby amended by additions, insertions, deletions and changes so that such amended Sections and Subsections shall read as follows:

Chapter 1

**ADMINISTRATION** 

**SECTION 101** 

#### **GENERAL**

#### Section 101.1 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 101.1 Title:** These regulations shall be known as the Property Maintenance Code of the City of Clayton, Missouri, hereinafter referred to as "this Code."

SECTION 103
DEPARTMENT OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTION

## Section 103.5 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 103.5 Fees:** The fees for activities and services performed by the department in carrying out its responsibilities under this code shall be in accordance with the fee schedule as established by the City of Clayton, Missouri.

SECTION 106 VIOLATIONS

#### Section 106.3 is amended to read as follows:

Section 106.3 Prosecution: In case of any unlawful acts or failure to comply with a violation notice, the Code Official shall institute an appropriate action or proceeding at law to exact the penalty provided in Section 106.4. Also, the Code Official shall ask the jurisdiction's legal representative to proceed at law or in equity against the person responsible for the violation for the purpose of ordering that person:

- 1. To restrain, correct or remove the violation or refrain from any further execution of work;
- 2. To restrain or correct the erection, installation, maintenance, repair or alteration of such structure:
- 3. To require the removal of work in violation; or
- 4. To prevent the occupancy or use of the structure which is not in compliance with the provisions of this code.

## Section 106.4 is amended to read as follows:

Section 106.4 Penalty: Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provisions of this Code shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days, or both, at the discretion of the court. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served, in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof, shall be deemed a separate offense.

#### **SECTION 107**

## **NOTICES AND ORDERS**

Section 107.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 107.2 Form:** Such notice prescribed in Section 107.1 shall:

- 1. Be in writing or by personal contact with the owner/operator;
- 2. Include a description of the real estate sufficient for identification;
- 3. Include a statement of the violation(s) or reason(s) why the notice is being issued, and;
- 4. Include a correction order allowing a reasonable time for the repairs and improvements required to bring the dwelling unit or structure into compliance with the provisions of this Code.

## Section 107.3 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 107.3 Method of Service:** Such notice shall be deemed to be properly served if a copy thereof is:

- 1. Delivered to the owner personally by leaving the notice at the usual place of abode in the presence of someone in the family of suitable age and discretion who shall be informed of the contents thereof,
- 2. By certified or registered mail addressed to the owner at the last known address with return receipt requested. If the certified or registered letter is returned by showing that the letter was not delivered, a copy thereof shall be posted in a conspicuous place in or about the structure affected by such notice.

Service of such notice in the foregoing manner upon the owner's agent or upon the person responsible for the structure shall constitute service of notice upon the owner.

### Section 107.5 is amended to read as follows:

Section 107.5 Transfer of Ownership: It shall be unlawful for the owner of any multifamily unit or rental structure containing three or more units to sell, transfer, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of to another unless the owner or designated representative has notified the City of Clayton at least thirty (30) days in advance, received an inspection report and compliance order or notice of violation and have complied with the same or until such owner shall first furnish the grantee, transferee, mortgagee or lessee a true copy of any compliance order or notice of violation issued by the Code Official and shall furnish to the Code Official a signed and notarized statement from the grantee, transferee, mortgagee or lessee, acknowledging the receipt of such compliance order or notice of violation and fully accepting the responsibility without condition including the responsibility to submit a work schedule and receive approval from the City of Clayton for making the corrections or repairs required by such compliance order or notice of violation.

It shall also be unlawful for the owner of any rental building containing two or more units to convert from a rental building to a condominium unless the owner, or designated representative has applied to the City of Clayton and provided all required documentation for approval of the Condominium Conversion, received an inspection and compliance order or Notice of violation and has complied with the same. Newly constructed condominium structures must apply to the City for condominium approval from the Board of Aldermen, provide the required documentation, and secure the concurrence of the Department of Planning and Development Services that the construction is progressing according to all submitted plans and all applicable codes.

#### **SECTION 109**

#### **EMERGENCY MEASURES**

Section 109.6 Hearing: Deleted without substitution

**SECTION 110** 

DEMOLITION

Section 110.1 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 110.1 General:** Any *structure* which is found to be detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Clayton, Missouri, and which is declared to be a nuisance by the Code Official shall be vacated and demolished or repaired in strict conformance with this and all referenced codes in the time frame set forth in the notice or as agreed upon by the Code Official.

#### Section 110.2.1 is added to read as follows:

**Section 110.2.1 Service:** The notice of declaration of nuisance shall be served on the affected parties, consisting of owner, occupants, lessee, mortgagee, agent and all persons having an interest in the property, all as shown by the records of the St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds Office. The notice shall be served personally or by certified mail, return receipt requested, or if service cannot be had by either of these modes of service, then by at least one publication in the St. Louis Post Dispatch. The affected parties shall have not less than thirty (30) days from the date of service to complete demolition or to begin the repairs.

### Section 110.2.2 is added to read as follows:

Section 110.2.2 Notice of Hearing: If the affected parties fail to commence work on repairs or complete demolition within the time specified, or fail to proceed continuously with the work without unnecessary delay, the Director of the Department of Planning & Development Services shall call a hearing upon the matter, giving the affected parties twenty-one (21) days written notice of the hearing. Said notice must be served personally or by certified mail, return receipt requested, or if service cannot be had by either of these modes of service, then by at least one publication in the St. Louis Post Dispatch.

# Section 110.3 is amended to read as follows:

Section 110.3 Hearing: The Director of Planning or his/her authorized representative shall conduct a full and adequate hearing. Any affected party may be represented by counsel and all affected parties shall have an opportunity to be heard. After the hearing, if the evidence supports a finding that the structure is a nuisance and detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the City of Clayton, Missouri, the Director of the Department of Planning & Development Services shall issue a post-hearing order making specific findings of facts, based on competent and substantial evidence and order the structure to be demolished and removed, or repaired. The post-hearing order shall be served in the same manner as the notice of declaration

of nuisance and pre-hearing order. The post-hearing order shall contain a date certain for completion of the required action.

# Section 110.3.4 is added to read as follows:

Section 110.3.4 Upon Failure to Obey Post-Hearing Order. If any post-hearing order of the Director of the Department of Planning is not obeyed within thirty (30) days after its issuance, and if appeal of any post-hearing order is not made to the Circuit Court as provided for in this ordinance within 30 days after issuance of any such order, the Director of the Department of Planning shall cause such structure to be vacated and repaired or demolished as provided in the post-hearing order. The Director of Planning shall certify the cost for such action, including all administrative costs, to the Director of Finance, who shall cause a special tax bill against the property to be prepared, filed and collected. Said tax bill shall be a lien upon said property, said lien shall bear interest at the rate set by the Missouri Division of Finance on the date the lien is filed.

# Section 110.4 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 110.4 Salvage Materials:** When any *structure* has been ordered razed and removed, the governing body or other designated officer under said contract or arrangement aforesaid shall have the right to sell the salvage and valuable materials at the highest price obtainable. The net proceeds of such sale, after deducting the expenses of such razing and removal, shall be promptly remitted with a report of such sale of transaction, including the items of expense and the amounts deducted, for the use of the *person* who is entitled thereto, subject to any order of a court. If such a surplus does not remain to be turned over, the report shall so state.

#### **SECTION 111**

#### MEANS OF APPEAL

**Section 111.1** Application for appeal. Any person directly affected by a decision of the Code Official or a notice or order issued under this code shall have the right to appeal within thirty days to the Director of Planning and Development Services. Every effort will be made by the Director, to give the matter a proper airing utilizing appropriate inspection staff. An appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of this code or the rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of this code do not fully apply, or the requirements of this code are adequately satisfied by other means.

Sections 111.2 through 111.8 are deleted without substitution.

## **SECTION 112**

### STOP WORK ORDER

Section 112.4 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 112.4 Failure to Comply:** Penalties for noncompliance with the Stop Work Order shall be as set forth in Section 106.4.

**SECTION 113** 

## **OCCUPANCY PERMITS**

## Section 113.1 is added to read as follows:

Section 113.1 Occupancy Permits and Transfer of Ownership: It shall be unlawful for any owner or operator of a (a) two-family dwelling, or (b) multi-family rental building, or (c) multi-family condominium building or unit, or (d) single family dwellings to let to another for occupancy or for any person to occupy any dwelling unit subject to the Occupancy Permit Program unless the exterior, common areas and dwelling unit of the building have been inspected by the Code Official and it has been determined that it is in compliance with all the provisions of this code, and a permit has been issued to said owner or operator for the dwelling unit which will allow the prospective tenant family to legally occupy said dwelling unit. No tenant shall move in or occupy any dwelling unit without the knowledge or approval of the owner and the receipt of an occupancy permit for the unit. Occupancy permits shall remain valid until the occupancy of the unit(s) changes or the permit otherwise expires.

Any occupancy permit properly issued will terminate:

- 1. Upon vacation of the dwelling unit by a tenant.
- 2. After five (5) years from the date of issuance of an occupancy permit, at which time the unit must be reinspected and deficiencies corrected.

## Section 113.2 is added to read as follows:

# Section 113.2 Conditions for Issuance of Occupancy Permit:

- 1. Upon request of the owner or operator of a building subject to the Occupancy Permit Program and payment of the inspection fee, the Code Official shall inspect the exterior, common areas and dwelling unit(s) at a time agreed upon between the Code Official and the owner or operator.
  - If such inspection establishes that the building and dwelling unit(s) is in compliance with the Code, the Code Official shall authorize the issuance of an Occupancy permit.
- 2. If the exterior, common areas and dwelling unit(s) are not in full compliance with this Code, the Code Official shall furnish the owner/operator with a written list of violations that must be corrected before an Occupancy permit can be issued and the dwelling unit occupied. When advised by the owner/operator that the violations are corrected and upon payment of any required reinspection fee, the exterior, common areas and dwelling unit(s) shall be reinspected by the Code Official and if found to be in full compliance with this Code, the Occupancy permit shall be issued and the unit may be occupied.
- 3. Fees for occupancy permits and inspections shall be paid as provided for in accordance with the fee schedule as established by the City of Clayton, Missouri.

The provision for a higher fee does not release the owner from responsibility to follow all the provisions of the Code for compliance related to the issuance of an Occupancy Permit.

## Section 113.3 is added to read as follows:

**Section113.3 Occupancy Permits, Non-Residential Structures:** It shall be unlawful for any person, owner or operator to occupy or use or to permit occupancy or use of any premises for any purpose until a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued by the Code Official.

No such certificate shall be issued unless said premises has been inspected by the Code Official and the premises is in compliance with this Code and all zoning regulations.

## Section 113,3.1 is added to read as follows:

**Section 113.3.1 Fees:** Fees for occupancy permits and inspections shall be paid as provided for in accordance with the fee schedule as established by the City of Clayton, Missouri.

## Section 113.3.2 is added to read as follows:

**Section 113.3.2 Revocation of Permit:** Any Occupancy permit issued shall become invalid after ninety (90) days if the premises are not occupied during that time by the authorized tenant, nor shall any Occupancy permit be issued for any premises if more than ninety (90) days has elapsed since the date of inspection.

Chapter 2

**DEFINITIONS** 

**SECTION 201** 

**GENERAL** 

#### Section 201.3 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 201.3 Terms defined in other codes:** Where terms are not defined in this chapter and are defined in the City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance and the International Codes listed in Chapter 8, they shall have the same meanings ascribed to them as in those codes.

## **SECTION 202**

#### **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

#### Definitions are added to read as follows:

**Carriage House:** Per City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance definition.

One-family dwelling: A building containing one dwelling unit.

Two-family dwelling: A building containing two dwelling units.

**Multi-family condominium building:** A building containing three (3) or more dwelling units that has been legally converted to condominium according to Missouri State Law and where units are individually owned and all land, property, structures, improvements contained therein or thereon are for the mutual use and benefit of the unit owners.

**Multi-family rental building:** A building containing three (3) or more dwelling units which are let for rent/lease or other consideration and where the units are not owned individually or as part of a cooperative.

Family: Per City of Clayton Zoning Ordinance definition.

**Graffiti:** Markings, drawings or other visual depictions, either graphic or written, placed upon any exterior surface including, but not limited to, building, window, retaining wall, fence, trash containers, accessory building or driveway.

## Chapter 3

## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

#### **SECTION 302**

#### **EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREAS**

## Section 302.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 302.3 Sidewalks and Driveways:** The owner is responsible to keep all sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas in a proper state of repair, and maintained free from hazardous conditions. Stairs shall also comply with the requirements of Sections 304.10.

### Section 302.4 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 302.4 Weeds:** All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds in excess of 6 inches (152.4mm). All noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs provided; however, this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens.

## Section 302.4.1 is added to read as follows:

**Section 302.4.1 Landscaping:** Lawn areas and landscaping shall be properly maintained by the owner. Plants and grass that have deteriorated or died shall be replaced and additional planting shall be provided if required by the Code Official. Screening or additional planting around refuse containers may also be required to assure the desirable residential character of the premises. The premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from grass and weeds in excess of 6 inches.

# Section 302.4.2 is added to read as follows:

Section 302.4.2 Tree Maintenance and Removal: The maintenance, upon private property, of dead or dying trees or tree limbs or branches which, by reason of their location,

size or state of deterioration, constitute a danger to the public health, safety or welfare, or the maintenance upon private property of trees which are infected with Dutch Elm or other contagious disease or blight, dangerous to persons, animals, other trees or plant life, is declared to be a nuisance and must be removed. Tree stumps shall be removed to grade level and completely ground to blend into the surrounding yard.

## Section 302.7 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 302.7 Accessory Structures and Parking Areas:** All accessory structures, including detached garages, underground garages, fences and walls shall be maintained in structurally sound condition and in good repair. All parking areas and portions of yards of multiple dwellings used for parking permitted by the Zoning Ordinance shall be surfaced with two (2) inches of asphaltic concrete over a six (6) inch rock base or not less than five (5) inches of concrete.

# Section 302.7.1 is added to read as follows:

**Section 302.7.1 Underground Garages:** Underground garages should be waterproof so as to prevent deterioration of structural member and/or a nuisance to parked vehicles.

# Section 302.8 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 302.8 Motor Vehicles and Parking Areas:** Parking areas and garages shall be used only for the parking of private tenant automobiles which have current license plates and are in working condition. No vehicle(s) shall be stored in a garage, carport or other parking area in excess of thirty (30) days unless unusual circumstances warrant such storage and written permission is given by the Code Official for a longer period.

## Section 302.9 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 302.9 Graffiti & Defacement of Property:** No person shall willfully or wantonly damage, mutilate or deface any exterior surface of any structure or building on any private or public property by placing thereon any marking, carving or graffiti. It shall be the responsibility of the owner to restore said surface to an approved state of maintenance and repair.

#### **SECTION 304**

## **EXTERIOR STRUCTURE**

## Section 304.1 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 304.1 General.** The exterior of a structure shall be maintained in good repair, structurally sound and sanitary so as not to pose a threat to the public health, safety or welfare. General repairs shall be made in a workmanlike manner using identical or, if not available, similar material as the original installation.

## Section 304.3.1 is added to read ad follows:

**Section 304.3.1 Buildings with Rear Alleys:** Buildings shall have approved numbers placed at the rear of the property so as to be visible from the alley.

# Section 304.10 is amended to read as follows:

Section 304.10 Stairways, Decks, Porches, Balconies and other Walking Surfaces: Every stair, ramp, balcony, porch, deck or other walking surface, and all appurtenances attached thereto, shall be maintained structurally sound, in good repair, with proper anchorage and capable of supporting the imposed loads. Every stair shall have uniform risers and treads with nonskid surfaces. Every stair, porch, or fire escape shall be maintained free of hazardous conditions such as snow, ice, mud and debris. No stairs or fire escape shall be blocked by any material at any time.

## Section 304.13 is amended to read as follows:

Section 304.13 Windows, Skylights, Doors and Door Frames: Every window, skylight, door and door frames shall be kept in sound condition, good repair and weather tight. Window frames must be solid without evidence of rust, rot or decay and must be capable of tightly securing the window. Every operable window must be supplied with window hardware including locks. If more than 60% of the windows in a unit or structure are in violation of the Code and, in the opinion of the Code Official, must be replaced due to age or condition, than the owner shall replace all windows within that unit/structure.

## Section 304.13.1 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 304.13.1 Window Glazing:** Window glazing shall be maintained free of cracks or holes and must also be clean and kept free of mud, dirt and other matter that reduces visibility.

## Section 304.14 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 304.14 Insect Screens:** Every door, window (other than windows designed to be fixed) and other outside opening serving any building containing habitable dwelling units or rooms, food preparation areas, or any areas where products used in food for human consumption are processed, manufactured, packaged or stored, shall be supplied with approved tightly fitting screens of not less than 16 mesh per inch and every swinging door shall have a self-closing device in good working condition.

**Exception:** Screens shall not be required where other approved means, such as air curtains or insect repellent fans, are employed.

## Section 304.16 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 304.16 Basements hatchways:** Every basement hatchway shall be maintained to prevent the entrance of rodents, rain and surface drainage water. No water is to remain standing. Water must be drained completely.

#### **SECTION 305**

## INTERIOR STRUCTURE

## Section 305.4 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 305.4 Walking Surfaces:** All interior stairs and railings shall be maintained in good repair, structurally sound and in a sanitary condition. No interior stairway or landing may be blocked by any material at any time.

## Section 305.7 is added to read as follows:

**Section 305.7 Hallways and Common Areas:** The interior hallways, stairwells, laundry rooms, basements and other common areas in all multifamily buildings must be kept in a clean and sanitary manner. Circulars, newspapers and like materials must not litter the hallways. Chipped, peeling or faded flooring must be repaired or replaced.

# Section 305.7.1 is added to read as follows:

**Section 305.7.1 Owner/Operator Contact:** Every multifamily rental building containing three (3) or more units shall have posted in a conspicuous location in the common area of the building, the name and telephone number of the owner, operator, or maintenance personnel who can be reached in case of emergency or in the event of building related problems. Such information must be valid for weekends, after hours and holidays as well as regular working hours. All owners/operators residing outside St. Louis County must register with the City of Clayton a local agent who has been designated in writing by the owner to receive service of legal action.

## Section 305.8 is added to read as follows:

**Section 305.8 Basement and Storage Facilities:** The basement and storage facility of any multifamily building must be kept clean, sanitary and free of debris; storage must be contained in the bins or like facility designated for that use, where such storage facilities exist. If no such storage facilities exist, storage must be neatly stacked at least three (3) feet from any mechanical equipment for noncombustible items and at least ten (10) feet from any mechanical equipment for combustible items. At least a ten (10) foot clear passage to the door(s) must be provided. No volatile materials should be stored in the basement or other common areas.

#### **SECTION 307**

## HANDRAILS AND GUARDRAILS

# Section 307.1.1 is added to read as follows:

**Section 307.1.1 Returns:** During building alterations or the modification of existing handrails, said handrails shall be modified to return into the wall in such a way that an article of clothing or items cannot be caught on a protruding handrail.

# **SECTION 308**

#### RUBBISH AND GARBAGE

# Section 308.3.3 is added to read as follows:

**Section 308.3.3 Recycling Container:** The owner of every occupied premise(s) shall provide adequate City of Clayton approved recycling containers for the use by the

## Chapter 4

# LIGHT, VENTILATION AND OCCUPANCY LIMITATIONS

## **SECTION 402**

#### LIGHT

Section 402.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 402.2 Common Halls, Stairways and Entrance Doors:** Every common hall and stairway in residential occupancies, other than one and two family dwellings, shall be illuminated at all times with at least a 60-watt standard incandescent light bulb for each 200 square feet (19m2) of floor area or equivalent illumination, provided that the spacing between lights shall not be greater than 30 feet (9144mm). Every exterior entrance door to a multifamily building must be lighted with a minimum 60-watt standard incandescent light bulb over the entrance doorway. In other than residential occupancies, means of egress, including exterior means of egress, stairways shall be illuminated at all times the building space server by the means of egress is occupied with a minimum of 1 foot-candle (11 lux) at floors, landings and treads.

#### **SECTION 404**

#### **OCCUPANCY LIMITATIONS**

Section 404.5 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 404.5 Overcrowding:** Dwelling units shall not be occupied by more occupants than permitted by the minimum occupancy requirements of Table 404.5 nor more than maximum number of occupants per bedroom(s) as provided for in Section 404.4.1. No dwelling unit shall be occupied by more than one family as defined in the Zoning Ordinance.

## Chapter 6

# MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

#### **SECTION 602**

#### **HEATING FACILITIES**

Section 602.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 602.2 Residential Buildings:** Every dwelling unit shall be provided with heating facilities capable of maintaining a room temperature of 68 degrees F. at a level of three (3) feet (914 mm) above the floor and a distance of three (3) feet (914 mm) from the exterior walls in all habitable rooms, bathrooms and toilet rooms.

Section 602.3 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 602.3 Heating Supply:** Every owner and operator of any building who rents, leases or lets one or more dwelling unit, rooming unit, dormitory or guest room on terms, either express or implied, to furnish heat to the occupants thereof shall supply sufficient heat during the period from October 1 to April 30 to maintain a room temperature of not less than 68 degrees F. in all habitable rooms, bathrooms and toilet rooms during the hours between 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. of each day and not less than 65 degrees F. during other hours.

## Section 602.4 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 602.4 Occupiable Work Spaces:** Every enclosed occupied work space shall be supplied with sufficient heat during the period from October 1 to April 30 to maintain a temperature of not less than 68 degrees F during working hours.

## **Exceptions:**

- 1. Processing, storage and operation areas that require cooling or special temperature conditions.
- 2. Areas in which persons are primarily engaged in vigorous physical activity.

#### **SECTION 603**

## MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

#### Section 603.1 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 603.1 Mechanical Appliances:** All mechanical appliances, fireplaces, solid fuel burning appliances, cooking appliances and water heating appliances shall be properly installed and maintained in a safe working condition, and shall be capable of performing the intended function. Window air conditioners shall be installed with proper air conditioner brackets.

## **SECTION 604**

## **ELECTRICAL FACILITIES**

#### Section 604.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 604.2 Service:** Every dwelling unit shall be served by a main service that is not less than 60 ampere, three wires. Fuse protection shall be circuit breaker or type "S" safety fusing.

### **SECTION 605**

## **ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**

### Section 605.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 605.2 Receptacles:** Every habitable space in a dwelling unit shall contain at least two separate and remote receptacle outlets. Every laundry, basement, crawl space, wet bar sink and garage that contains a receptacle(s), that/those outlet(s) must be grounded. New outlet

installations must be ground fault interrupter units. Every bathroom and kitchen shall contain at least one receptacle and such outlet or outlets shall be approved ground fault interrupter units.

# Chapter 7

# FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

#### **SECTION 702**

#### **MEANS OF EGRESS**

## Section 702.5 is added to read as follows:

**Section 702.5 Corridor Enclosure:** All corridors serving an occupant load of greater than 30 and openings therein shall provide an effective barrier to resist the movement of smoke. All transoms, louvers, doors and other openings shall be closed or shall be self-closing.

## **Exceptions:**

Louvers or grills for the movement of conditioned air shall be permitted in exit
access corridor enclosure walls or doors provided an approved smoke detection
system is installed in the corridor. The smoke detection system shall sound an
audible alarm in the building and automatically shut off all mechanical air
handling equipment. This exception shall not apply to openings into shaft or exit
stairway enclosures.

#### **SECTION 703**

### FIRE RESISTANCE RATINGS

## Section 703.2 is amended to read as follows:

**Section 703.2 Opening Protectives:** All required fire doors and smoke barriers shall be maintained in good working order, including all hardware necessary for the proper operation thereof. Fire doors shall not be held open by door stops, wedges and other unapproved hold-open devices. Fire doors shall include an attached door closer so that the door cannot be left in an open position. Fire and smoke barriers shall not be blocked or obstructed or otherwise made inoperable.

<u>Section 2.</u> This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Board of Aldermen.

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Adopted this 13th day of October, 2015

ATTEST

City/Clerk

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