

ORDINANCE 2022:1521

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HADDON HEIGHTS AMENDING CHAPTER 233 ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION" IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW

WHEREAS, the Chapter 233, entitled "Fire Prevention", specifically §233-7: Non-life-hazard uses, establishes certain registration obligations mandate by the Uniform Fire Code requiring fire inspections once per year as well as the payment of an annual fee therefore; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey limits the amount of fees to be charged for such inspections for both Residential, Commercial or Industrial Use Groups; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of the Haddon Heights Fire Department has made certain recommendations to the Borough Council and seeks modification to §233-7 of the Code of the Borough of Haddon Heights in a manner consistent with State Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Heights, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 233, §233-7, Non-life hazard uses shall be amended to read as follows:

§233-7 Non-life hazard uses.

A. In addition to the registrations required by the Uniform Fire Code, the following non-life-hazard uses shall register with the Bureau of Fire Prevention. These uses shall be inspected once per year and shall pay an annual fee as set forth below:

(1) Residential use group. This group includes buildings with dwelling units not listed as life-hazard by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, except one- or two-family owner-occupied units.

Type	Fee
1 to 3 units	\$70.00
4 to 10 units	\$125.00
11 to 20 units	\$175.00
21 to 40 units	\$225.00
Each additional 20 units	\$30.00

(2) Commercial or industrial use group. Commercial or industrial use group includes all buildings not listed as life-hazard by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety.

Building Type	Fee
Buildings not in excess of 1,000 square feet	\$70.00
Buildings in excess of 1,000 square feet not exceeding 3,000 square feet	\$100.00
Buildings in excess of 3,000 square feet not exceeding 6,000 square feet	\$140.00
Buildings in excess of 6,000 square feet not exceeding 9,000 square feet	\$200.00
Buildings in excess of 9,000 square feet not exceeding 12,000 square feet	\$250.00
Buildings in excess of 12,000 square feet not exceeding 15,000 square feet	\$300.00
Buildings in excess of 15,000 square feet not exceeding 50,000 square feet	\$400.00
Buildings in excess of 50,000 square feet not exceeding 100,000 square feet	\$500.00
Buildings in excess of 100,000 square feet not exceeding 200,000 square feet	\$650.00
Buildings in excess of 200,000 square feet not exceeding 300,000 square feet	\$750.00
Common areas on multiple occupancies	\$70.00

NOTE: Each floor or story shall be calculated as separate areas for total building calculation.

(3) Smoke and CO detector inspections.

Type	Fee
Smoke and CO detector inspections on all one- and two-family residential dwellings for resale	\$40.00
8 or more days' notice	\$75.00
4-7 days' notice	\$100.00
3 days' notice	\$140.00
Reinspection/courtesy	\$35.00
Failure to keep appointment	\$20.00
Change of occupant, per apartment	\$20.00
Senior Discount (Amount credited for initial inspection)	\$30.00

(4) Permit Fees

Type	Fee
Type 1	\$54.00
Type 2	\$214.00
Type 3	\$427.00

Type 4	\$614.00
(5) Annual Event Permit	\$100.00

- B. Non-owner-occupied one- and two-family units shall be inspected and charged a fee only upon sale or change of tenant.
- C. Uses not classified above that are subject to the Uniform Fire Code will be classified as commercial uses.
- D. Uses required to register with the state as life-hazard uses shall not be required to register under this section.
- E. At the discretion of the Fire Official, vacant buildings will be charged and inspected according to the previous use of the building.

SECTION 2: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

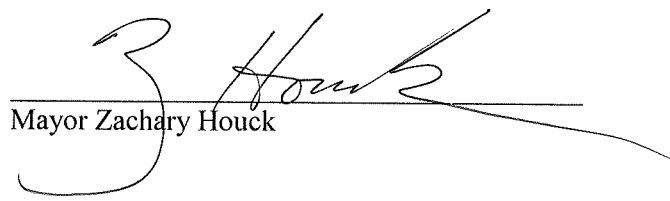
SECTION 3: If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

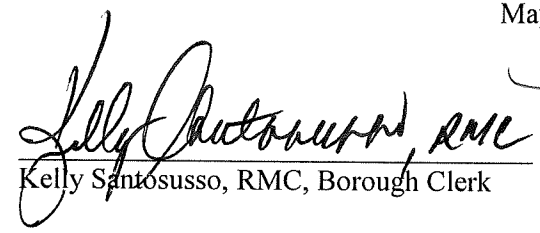
SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

Introduced: JUNE 21, 2022

Public Hearing: JUNE 21, 2022

Adopted: JULY 5, 2022


 Mayor Zachary Houck

ATTEST: 
 Kelly Santosusso, RMC, Borough Clerk