

Submitted by: Chair of the Assembly at the
Request of the Mayor

Prepared by: Anchorage Fire Department

For reading: July 15, 2008

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

APPROVED

AO No. 2008- 87

Date: 8/12/08

1 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION
2 10.75.010 TO REDUCE THE FEE FOR PROGRESS INSPECTIONS AND TO ADD
3 FEES FOR SPECIAL OCCUPANCY INSPECTONS, FIRE PROTECTION
4 SYSTEMS REPORT REVIEW, AND STANDBY FIRE SERVICE OPERATIONS.
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7 THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:
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9 **Section 1:** Anchorage Municipal Code section 10.75.010 is amended to read as follows
10 (the remainder of the section is not affected and therefore not set out):
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12 **10.75.010 Fees for inspections by the Anchorage Fire Department.**
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14 A. *Basic inspection fee.* The Anchorage Fire Department shall charge a fee of
15 \$35.00 for each inspection required for licensing, permitting, or life safety
16 by the municipality, state government, or federal government when such
17 inspection occurs.
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19 1. Where a building owner or tenant provides evidence to the Fire
20 Marshal of progress toward compliance of required deficiencies, the
21 Fire Marshal may, on a case-by-case basis, conduct the inspection
22 for no fee (Progress Inspection). These inspections are limited in
23 scope and typically only document progress is being made.
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25 B. *Additional fee.* In addition to the basic inspection fee, the following fees
26 shall be charged:
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28 1. *Residential inspections:*

a.	Apartments with 3 – 6 units	\$15.00
b.	Apartments with 7 – 20 units	30.00
c.	Apartments with more than 20 units	60.00
d.	Hotels/motels with less than 20 units	30.00
e.	Hotels/motels with 20 – 99 units	50.00
f.	Hotels/motels with more than 99 units	100.00
g.	Dormitories with less than 20 units	15.00
h.	Dormitories with 20 – 99 units	25.00
i.	Dormitories with more than 99 units	35.00

2. *Non-residential inspections, including business license inspections under Section 10.10.020, inspections under 10.10.050, and child care facility inspections:*

a.	1,000 – 1,999 sq. ft.	\$25.00
b.	2,000 – 4,999	35.00
c.	5,000 – 9,999	50.00
d.	10,000 – 19,999	75.00
e.	20,000 – 49,999	100.00
f.	50,000 – 99,999	125.00
g.	Over 99,999	150.00

3. *Special occupancy:*

a.	Group A Occupancies under Title 23	\$50.00
b.	Group H Occupancies under Title 23	100.00
c.	<u>Fire protection systems report review</u>	
	i. <u>Initial fire inspection notice</u>	<u>No charge</u>
	ii. <u>Re-inspection fees</u>	<u>Per section 10.75.010D.</u>
d.	<u>Home daycare.</u>	
	i. <u>A child care facility located in a detached single family dwelling, licensed for no more than eight children, operating between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. (no overnight care)</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	ii. <u>Re-inspection fees</u>	<u>Per section 10.75.010D.</u>

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- D. *Re-inspection fees.* Where re-inspections are required to confirm compliance with requests or orders to correct, and all violations have been corrected, an inspection fee of \$50.00 per hour shall apply. Where re-inspections occur and violations have not been corrected, the following fees apply:

1.	First re-inspection	\$100.00
2.	Second re-inspection	200.00
3.	Third and subsequent re-inspections	400.00

4. In addition to the fees in subsections D.1. – D.3., a fee of \$10.00 shall be assessed for each common hazard violation noted in the

original inspection, but not corrected at the time of re-inspection.
Common hazards, with reference to the corresponding 1997
Uniform Fire Code section, are:

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G. Hourly rate for fire and EMS personnel and equipment at special events.

1. When fire or emergency medical personnel and/or equipment are
required at special events, the event coordinator shall be charged at
the rate of \$110.00 per hour, per person, for non-municipal
functions, including but not limited to:

- a. Emergency medical support standby;
- b. Engine company standby at fireworks displays; and
- c. Activities occurring under municipal permit in municipal
right-of-way.

2. Requests for fire and EMS personnel and equipment at any of the
types of functions described above shall provide prior written notice
as follows:

a. Written requests received more than ten days in advance of
the function shall be charged a two-hour minimum for each
person, even if the function is less than two hours in length;
or

b. Written requests received ten days or less prior to the
function shall be charged a four-hour minimum for each
person, even if the function is less than four hours in length.

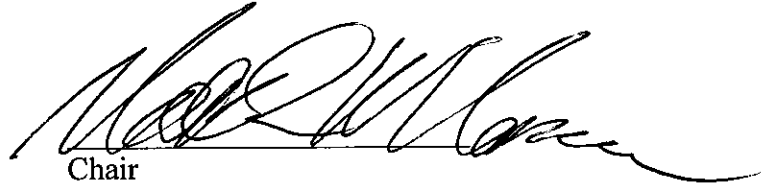
3. The number of personnel required shall be in the sole discretion of
the Fire Chief, based upon:

- a. The type of event; and
- b. The size of the event, including:
 - i. The number of participants;
 - ii. Whether or not alcohol is to be served;
 - iii. Whether or not the organization holding the event is a
non-profit or a for-profit entity;
 - iv. Complexity of the event;
 - v. Adequacy of insurance coverage confirmed by the
municipal Risk Manager;
 - vi. The provision of private or volunteer security
personnel; and
 - vii. Any other circumstances potentially compromising
the safety, health, and welfare of the participants and
municipal citizens.

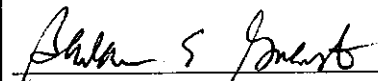
(AO No. 99-157, § 2, 4-1-00; AO No. 2001-145(S-1), § 9, 12-11-01; AO No. 2003-1, § 1, 1-28-03)

Section 2: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 12th day of August, 2008.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government

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SERVICE OPERATIONS.

Sponsor: MAYOR
Preparing Agency: Fire Department, Fire Prevention
Others Impacted: Health & Human Services

CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:		(In Thousands of Dollars)			
	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	
Operating Expenditures					
1000 Personal Services					
2000 Non-Labor					
3900 Contributions					
4000 Debt Service					
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Add: 6000 Charges from Others					
Less: 7000 Charges to Others					
FUNCTION COST:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
REVENUES:					
CAPITAL:					
POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp					

PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

This ordinance has no significant impact on the public sector.

PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

This ordinance has minimal economic impact on the private sector.

This ordinance gives the Fire Department legal authority to reduce inspection fees when progress is being made, and to document progress with a Fire Inspection Notice. It also allows the Fire Chief to cover administrative costs associated with review of fire systems reports where deficiencies are found, and standby personnel and apparatus costs for special events, and charge daycare operators a lower fee based on the limited inspection effort necessary for those occupancies.

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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 451 -2008

Meeting Date: July 15, 2008

1 **FROM: MAYOR**

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3 **SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE**
4 **SECTION 10.75.010 TO REDUCE THE FEE FOR PROGRESS**
5 **INSPECTIONS AND TO ADD FEES FOR SPECIAL OCCUPANCY**
6 **INSPECTONS, FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS REPORT REVIEW,**
7 **AND STANDBY FIRE SERVICE OPERATIONS.**
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9 It is necessary to document progress towards completion of deficiencies identified in
10 buildings and systems using fire inspection notices (FIN's). Currently, there is no
11 provision in code to allow inspectors to make site inspections verifying progress, and no
12 charge for associated inspection fees, as outlined in title 10.75 – Fees for Fire Inspections.
13 This ordinance incorporates these fees into the Anchorage Municipal Code.
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15 Home daycares are now inspected by the Anchorage Fire Department, Fire Prevention
16 Division. The inspection of these facilities, with the most vulnerable of populations, is
17 critical but is not easily categorized in code, since services are provide in private homes;
18 and, typically, private homes are not subject to inspection. This ordinance codifies a
19 reduced fee, recognizing the limited area of inspection for home daycare occupancies, as
20 well as the lower associated documentation and follow up required.
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22 Lastly, building owners and operators are required under State law to have fire suppression
23 and notification systems inspected annually to verify compliance and operability. When
24 those reports recognize necessary corrections potentially rendering the systems inoperative
25 or diminished, the systems contractor is required to provide reports to the local Fire
26 Marshal's office. This ordinance authorizes an inspection process with no initial fee, and
27 corresponding follow up fees, if compliance is not achieved in the initial inspection period.
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29 **THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE**
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32 **SPECIAL OCCUPANCY INSPECTONS, FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS**
33 **REPORT REVIEW, AND STANDBY FIRE SERVICE OPERATIONS.**
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38 Concur: Michael K. Abbott, Municipal Manager
39 Respectfully Submitted: Mark Begich, Mayor

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