

ORDINANCE NO. 2346

AN ORDINANCE requiring automatic fire sprinkler education prior to issuance of a residential building permit, and requiring automatic fire sprinklers in all new model homes and new homes used as sales offices.

WHEREAS, automatic fire sprinkler systems have been found to be an effective and efficient means of providing life safety in combating fire, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the City Council of the City of Camas to provide the citizens with the greatest fire protection and life safety in the most cost effective manner; and

WHEREAS the City Council desires to educate new home builders about the advantages of automatic fire sprinklers, and

WHEREAS, the City Council further desires to require automatic fire sprinklers in single family residences used as model homes and as sales offices;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Camas as follows:

Section I

DEFINITIONS: Automatic fire sprinkler systems shall mean automatic fire sprinkler systems installed in single family and duplex residences that comply with National Fire Protection Association Standard 13D.

*Automatic Fire Sprinkler Education Materials shall mean:* Information prepared and assembled by the Fire Marshal concerning the cost, advantages, and installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems in single family and duplex residential structures.

*Home Sales Office shall mean:* A new residential structure that is temporarily used as an office to market residences within a development.

*Model Home shall mean:* A new residential structure used as an example for the purpose of marketing similarly constructed homes. A model home will be open for public display, may be advertised as a model home, may be furnished, and may also be used as a home sales office.

Section II

Education Required: An applicant for a building permit for a single family or duplex residential structure shall be required to obtain and read the automatic fire sprinkler system educational materials, and the applicant's contractor shall provide an option for installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system. Prior to issuance of a building permit for a single family or

duplex residential structure, the applicant shall be required to complete a form, to be provided by the Fire Marshal, stating under penalty of perjury that the applicant has received and read the automatic fire sprinkler system educational materials, and that the applicant's contractor provided an option for installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system.

Section III

Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Required: Any new single family residence or new duplex intended to be used as a model home or as a home sales office shall have an automatic fire sprinkler system installed. Failure to have such an automatic fire sprinkler system installed shall be grounds for denial or revocation of a conditional use permit for a home sales office.

Section IV

Penalty: Violation of this ordinance shall constitute a civil infraction punishable by a maximum fine of \$500.00.

Section V

This ordinance shall take force and be in effect five (5) days from and after its publication according to law.

PASSED by the Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2003.

SIGNED:   
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Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

  
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City Attorney