

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-25

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 7, CHAPTER 1, SIGNAL MOUNTAIN TOWN CODE, SECTIONS 7-101 AND 7-102, RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2009 EDITION, AS THE OFFICIAL FIRE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN; AND AS APPENDICES TO CODE ADOPTED, AND TO ADD A NEW SECTION 17-103 AS AMENDMENTS TO CODE, AND TO RENUMBER NEW SECTIONS 7-108 AND 7-109, RELATIVE TO ENFORCEMENT AND APPEALS FROM THE APPLICATION OF THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE, That Title 7, Chapter 1, Section 7-101, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 7-101. Fire Code adopted – International Fire Code, 2009 Edition.

The International Fire Code, 2009 Edition, and all referenced publications therein at Chapter 45, as amended, (published by the International Fire Code Council), including the 2009 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 Life Safety Code in its entirety for any state building, educational occupancies, and any other occupancy requiring an inspection by the State Fire Marshall, one (1) copy of which is and has been on file in the office of the Town Recorder for more than fifteen (15) days, is hereby adopted as the official Fire Code of the Town of Signal Mountain.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Title 7, Chapter 1, Signal Mountain Town Code, Section 7-102, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 7-102. Appendices to Code adopted.

The following appendices to the International Fire Code, 2003 Edition, are hereby adopted as part of the official Fire Codes of the Town:

- Appendix B – Fire Flow Requirements for Buildings.
- Appendix C – Fire Hydrant Locations and Distribution

- Appendix D – Fire Apparatus, as amended.
- Appendix E – Hazard Categories
- Appendix F – Hazard Ranking
- Appendix G – Cryogenic Fluids – Weight and Volume Equivalents

Section 7-103. Amendments to Code adopted.

The following sections and chapters of the International Fire Code, 2009 Edition, are hereby amended as hereunder provided:

- (1) All references to the International Existing Building Code and International Electrical Code are deleted in their entirety and substituting in lieu thereof shall be the appropriate reference to the International Building Code, 2009 Edition, and/or the International Residential Code, 2009 Edition, and/or the National Electrical Code provisions adopted by the Town.
- (2) Section 903.3.5.2 entitled Secondary Water Supply is deleted in its entirety.
- (3) Any appeal of the decision of the Fire Marshal concerning application of the provisions of the International Fire Code shall be heard by the Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals for Building, Electrical, Fire, Fuel Gas, Life Safety, Mechanical and Plumbing pursuant to Section 12-605 of the Signal Mountain Town Code.
- (4) Appendix D, Section D103 – Minimum Specifications, is amended to delete Section D103.6.1 in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:
 - D103.6.1. Roads 22 feet to 26 feet in width. All fire access roads shall be at least 22 feet in width with wider areas for hydrants and designated parking areas which shall be approved by the City Engineer. Designated pull-offs of 8 feet in width shall be approved by the City Engineer on any streets less than 24 feet in width. Fire access roads 22 feet to 26 feet in width shall be posted on both sides as a fire lane.
- (5) Appendix D, Sections D106 and D107 are deleted in their entirety and the following new Section D106 is substituted in lieu thereof:

D106 – Developments requiring more than one access road. All residential or multiple-family residential developments shall be provided with at least two (2) separate and approved fire access

roads whenever any development project has more than 200 dwelling units, regardless of whether the dwelling units are equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That new Sections 7-108, entitled "Enforcement" and 7-109, entitled "Appeals from the Application of the Fire Prevention Code" shall be amended as follows:

7-108. Enforcement. The Fire Prevention Code of the Town adopted in Section 7-101 above shall be enforced by the Chief of the Fire Department or other designee of the Town Manager.

7-109. Appeals from the application of the Fire Prevention Code. Whenever the Fire Chief or other designated Fire Inspector shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a permit applied for or when it is claimed that the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code adopted in this chapter do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the Fire Prevention Code has been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant may appeal from the decision of the Fire Chief or other designated Fire Inspector to the Town Council within thirty (30) days from the date of the decision appealed.

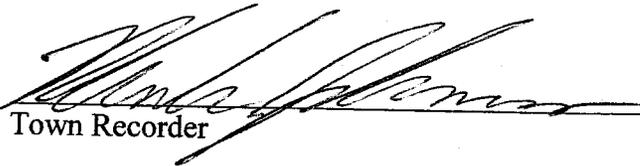
SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage but the designated Fire Inspector shall have discretion to accept drawings and designs based upon the 2003 NFPA Fire Prevention Code and 2003 NFPA 101 Life Safety Code and the amendments to that Code adopted by the Town Council upon a showing of significant financial effect on existing projects up to and including January 1, 2011.

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Mayor



Town Recorder