

ORDINANCE NO. O-25-10

**Amending City Code §18-332 and §18-401(a) Regarding Homeowner's Plumbing Work**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GADSDEN, ALABAMA, as follows:

Section 1. Section 18-332 of the Gadsden Code is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 18-332. Examination of persons applying for homeowner's permit.**

It shall be the duty of the city plumbing inspector to examine and pass upon the qualifications of every person who may apply for a homeowner's permit to install plumbing in or on the premises which such person owns and occupies personally as a home. This examination shall cover only such subjects as pertain to the proper installation of plumbing at a residence. Applicants shall apply for such permits on forms furnished by the city. There shall be no charge for a homeowner's examination. Such examinations shall be in writing in whole or in part.

Section 2. Section 18-401(a) of the Gadsden Code is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 18-401. Exemptions.**

(a) The following acts, work, and conduct may be performed by anyone, without a certificate: provided, however, that all work and services named or referred in this section to shall be subject to an inspection and approval in accordance with applicable ordinances:

(1) Plumbing work done by a property owner in or about a building owned and occupied by the property owner.

(2) Plumbing work done by anyone who is regularly employed or acting as a maintenance man acting under the supervision of a maintenance engineer or a maintenance engineer incidental to and in connection with the business in which he is employed and engaged, provided such plumbing work is done on the premises of such employer, and who does not engage in the occupation of a plumber for the general public.

(3) Maintenance and reinstallation work done upon the premises or equipment of a railroad, other businesses or industry, by an employee thereof who does not engage in the occupation of a plumber for the general public.

(4) Plumbing work done by persons engaged by any public utility company in the laying, maintenance and operation of its service mains or lines and the installation, alteration,

adjustment, repair, removal, and renovation of all types of appurtenances, equipment, and appliances, provided such plumbing work does not necessitate tying into waste or sewer lines on the outlet side of a trap.

(5) Appliances or fixture installations and service work done in connecting appliances or fixtures to existing piping installations.

Section 3. A violation of this ordinance shall be punished as provided in Section 1-8 of the Gadsden City Code.

Section 4. The provisions of this ordinance shall be effective on publication.

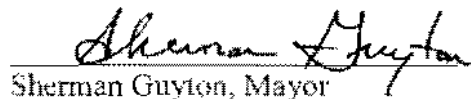
Section 5. The sections, subsections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance are severable. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause and phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a valid judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect the validity of any other section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause and phrase of this ordinance. The city council declares that it is its intent that it would have enacted this ordinance without such invalid or unconstitutional provisions.

Section 6. The provisions of this ordinance repeal any prior ordinance or provision of the Gadsden City Code to the extent of any conflict.

I certify that the City Council of the City of Gadsden, Alabama, duly adopted this ordinance at an open public meeting held on June 15, 2010.

  
Iva Nelson, City Clerk

APPROVED on June 17 2010

  
Sherman Guyton, Mayor