

CITY OF ROCK FALLS

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-2452

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE V, SECTION 32-343
RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH ELECTRICAL WIRING REQUIREMENTS**

ADOPTED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF ROCK FALLS

THIS 19th DAY OF November, 2019

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WHEREAS, Section 11-117-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/1-1-1 et. seq. (the “Code”) authorizes any municipality that operates a municipal utility to make rules and regulations in relation thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rock Falls (the “City”) owns and operates its own municipal utility for the generation, supply and distribution of electricity; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council (collectively, the “Corporate Authorities”) have reviewed the needs of the City with respect to the safe interconnection of buildings to the City’s electrical distribution system; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities desire to amend the City’s ordinance relating to a structure’s compliance with electrical wiring requirements prior to interconnection with the City’s electrical distribution system, as more specifically set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rock Falls, Whiteside County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1: The preambles to this Ordinance are true and correct and are hereby incorporated into this Section 1 as if more fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2: Chapter 32, Article V, Division 1, Section 32-343, as amended, shall be further amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 32-343. – Connection; application, certificate of wiring compliance.

Applications for connection to the municipal electric distribution system shall be made in writing to the director of electrical utilities and shall be accompanied by a certificate of the director that the wiring of the premises complies with all ordinances of the city and with any applicable provisions of building codes in effect and adopted from time to time by the city, and with any provisions of the National Electrical Code as in effect from time to time, as may be applied by duly adopted ordinance of the city. No premises, whether located within or without limits of the city, shall be connected to the electrical distribution system of the city unless the premises complies with the provisions of this section. In addition, in each of the following instances, in order for a structure to be connected, remain connected or be reconnected to the electrical distribution system of the city, the structure, regardless of whether located within or without the limits of the city, shall conform to the requirements of city ordinances and adopted and in effect building and electrical codes which require a minimum of 100 amps capacity service panel and external disconnect, and the application for connection

shall be accompanied by a certificate of the director of electrical utilities or his designee that the service does comply. The instances are:

- (1) When the structure has been damaged by fire or other catastrophic event the repair for which necessitates the issuance of a building permit;
- (2) When renovation, remodeling or addition is to be made to the structure for which a building permit is required to be issued;
- (3) When ownership of the structure changes, except for a change of ownership from one spouse to another, from one spouse to both spouses, when the change is in compliance with a property settlement following a dissolution of marriage, or from one co-tenant to another co-tenant or co-tenants.

A violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be punishable as a Class B violation in accordance with section 1-41."

SECTION 3: In all other respects, Chapter 32, Article V, Division 1 shall remain in full force and effect as previously adopted and/or amended.

SECTION 4: The provisions and sections of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be separable and the invalidity of any portion of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

SECTION 5: The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Approved this 19th day of November, 2019.



Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

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Palmer

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Snow

Schuneman

Kleckler

Folsom

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None