

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF BARTOW COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF **AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF BARTOW COUNTY, SECTION 18-3 RELATED TO FEES FOR FIRE MARSHAL ACTIVITIES AND INSPECTIONS AND SECTION 18-4 RELATED TO EMERGENCY ACCESS PROVISIONS AND RELATED MATTERS**, ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BARTOW COUNTY HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2021.

WHEREAS, Bartow County amended Chapter 18, Article 1 of the Official Code of Bartow County related to fire safety standards on May 16, 2012, and thereafter amended said Code Section on February 13, 2013, May 20, 2015, December 9, 2015, July 11, 2018 and September 19, 2018 to update said fire safety standards to include emergency access provisions, key lock boxes and related matters and fees for Fire Marshal activities and inspections; and

WHEREAS, the Bartow County Fire Chief and Fire Marshal have recommended additional amendments to said Code Section; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner deems it to be in the best interest of the citizens of Bartow County to amend the Code as recommended.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, and it is hereby ordained, that Chapter 18 of the Code of Bartow County is amended as follows:

I. Section 18-3. Fees (b) Specific Fees shall be amended as follows:

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| Plan review: | |
| Up to 5,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 100.00 |
| Over 5,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 0.02/sq. ft. |
| Preliminary plats and final plats: | \$ 100.00 |
| Racking: | \$ 100.00 |
| ERRCS/BDA up to 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 100.00 |
| ERRCS/BDA over 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 150.00 |
| Special Extinguishing Systems (clean agent): | \$ 100.00 |
| Inspections: | |
| 50% , 80%, 100% and annual: | no charge |
| First follow up: | no charge |
| Second follow up: | \$ 150.00 |
| All other follow up: | \$ 200.00 |
| After hours (at builder's request): | \$ 100.00 |
| New Tenant Inspection (when required for business license): | |
| Less than 5,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 25.00 |
| 5,000 sq. ft. to 15,000 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 50.00 |
| Over 15,000 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 100.00 |

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| Certification Inspections: | \$ 50.00 |
| Including: | |
| Personal Care Homes not under state fire marshal | |
| Day Cares not under state fire marshal | |
| Room and Board establishments not under state fire marshal | |
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| Fireworks display permit: | \$ 50.00 |
| Per event per day without fire department standby and outdoor non-covered display. The permit will have to be completed with inspection of site prior to Bartow Probate Court issuing a license. | |
| Fireworks sales tent display: | \$ 75.00 |
| Site plan review for fire department access, hydrant location, etc.: | \$ 75.00 \$ 100.00 |
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| NFPA 96 hood vent plan review and inspection: | \$ 75.00 |
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| Above ground fuel tanks 600 gallons or less site plan plus inspection: | \$ 75.00 |
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| Sprinkler plans review: | |
| Up to 15,000 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 100.00 |
| Over 15,000 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 150.00 |
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| Fire Alarm plan review: | |
| Up to 15,000 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 100.00 |
| Over 15,000 12,000 sq. ft.: | \$ 150.00 |
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| Commercial pit burns: | \$ 200.00 per pit site |
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| False Alarm: | |
| For commercial and industrial premises: | |
| 1st false alarm | No charge |
| 2nd false alarm in 30 calendar days | \$ 75.00 |
| 3rd false alarm in 60 calendar days | \$ 125.00 |
| 4th false alarm in a 12-month period | \$ 200.00 |
| 5th false alarm in a 12-month period | \$ 500.00 |
| 6th and subsequent false alarm in a 12-month period | \$1,000.00 |
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| For residential premises: | |
| 1st false alarm | No charge |
| 2nd false alarm in 30 calendar days | \$ 25.00 |
| 3rd false alarm in 60 calendar days | \$ 75.00 |

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| 4th false alarm in a 12-month period | \$ 125.00 |
| 5th false alarm in a 12-month period | \$ 200.00 |
| 6th and subsequent false alarm in a 12-month period | \$ 500.00 |

False alarms are those alarms caused by faulty detectors that do not get repaired, faulty alarm systems, careless human activity and similar matters. Alarms caused by lightning or other matters beyond human control shall not count towards this penalty. All fines are assessed, during the specified time period, from the date of the first false alarm. Appeal of any fine assessment for false alarms shall be at the discretion of the Bartow County Fire Chief.

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| Fire extinguisher class (minimum 4 persons per class): | \$ 10.00 (per person) |
| Plan resubmittal fee: | \$ 50.00 |
| Temporary Consumer Fireworks Retail Stand: (per O.C.G.A. § 25-10-5.1(c)(1)) | \$ 500.00 |
| Site inspection fee for public exhibition or display of fireworks (per O.C.G.A. § 25-10-4) | \$ 100.00 (per day, per event) |

II. Section 18-4. Emergency Access Provisions

(c) Lock boxes:

(1) Where Required:

Exceptions:

~~a) Unsecured commercial buildings occupied twenty four (24) hours a day.~~

III. Section 18-4. Emergency Access Provisions

(c) Lock Boxes:

(2) Content:

(c) For buildings manufacturing or storing hazardous or controlled chemicals or substances, ~~material safety data sheets (MSDS)~~ Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and/or other relevant data will be required to include locations and amounts of material.

IV. Section 18-4. Emergency Access Provisions

(c) Lock Boxes:

(2) Content:

(d) A card or sheet with information for a minimum of ~~3 emergency contacts~~ 2 emergency contacts for each business.

SO ORDAINED, this 3rd day of November, 2021, to be effective immediately, the public health, safety and welfare demanding.

ATTEST:

BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA

Kathy Gill, County Clerk

Steve Taylor, Sole Commissioner