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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REENACTING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF  
CHAPTER 8, BUILDINGS, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON**

WHEREAS, City Council has deemed it appropriate for the City Attorney to review and revise City ordinances in order to comply with current law in the Commonwealth of Virginia and make such further revisions as deemed necessary or appropriate to the efficient management of the City of Covington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Covington, Virginia that certain sections of Chapter 8, Buildings, of the Code of the City of Covington is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

**ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL**

Sec. 8-1. - Building code adopted.

The city hereby adopts the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code ("VUSBC"), including the 2015 Virginia Construction Code, the 2015 Virginia Rehabilitation Code, and the 2015 Virginia Maintenance Code, and the provisions and terms of such Code shall be applicable and in full force and effect within the city.

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Sec. 8-2. - Permission for certain industries to pay annual building permit fees.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any industrial corporation within the city having a total assessed tax value on land, building and equipment in excess of the sum of \$1,000,000.00, as shown on the tax records of the city, may, with the approval of city council, elect to submit an annual inspection fee, as set forth in the Covington Uniform Fee Schedule, for building, electrical and plumbing modifications and additions.
- (b) This fee will cover all construction activity with the exception that any new building whose cost, without equipment, is in excess of the sum of \$100,000.00, shall require a separate building permit to be obtained prior to the start of construction and a separate fee shall be assessed according to the applicable rates set out in the Covington Uniform Fee Schedule.

Sec. 8-3. - Additional building permits; fees.

The fees for building permits; mechanical; plumbing; electrical; gas piping; fire alarm system; fire suppression system; demolition; sign; modular (doublewide or greater); swimming pool; site utilities; and combination shall be as set forth in the Covington Uniform Fee Schedule.

Sec. 8-4. - Reserved.

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**ARTICLE II. - NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS; STREET NAMES**

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Sec. 8-36. - Base lines established.

- (a) The base line which shall divide the city into northern and southern parts is as follows:

Beginning at a point on the east corporate line of the city; thence due west to the intersection of Alleghany Avenue and Hawthorne Street; thence along Hawthorne Street to

the Monroe Avenue intersection; thence along Hawthorne Street to the railroad bridge; thence along Hawthorne Street to the west corporate limits.

(b) The base line which shall divide the city into eastern and western parts is as follows:

Beginning at the north corporate limits at the bridge on Short Street, thence along Short Street to the C&O Railroad; thence along the C&O Railroad to the overhead bridge intersection at Carpenter Drive in Edgemont; thence along Carpenter Drive to its intersection with Trout Street in Idlewilde; and thence due south to a point on the south corporate limits of the city.

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Sec. 8-45 – 8-46. – Reserved.

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Sec. 8-58. - Subdivision plats to contain street designations; approval.

Every subdivision plat submitted to the planning commission for its approval after September 10, 1959, shall show the proper names of any and all streets, and such street designations shall be approved by the city council before such new streets are officially named.

(Code 1975, § 5-56; Code 1992, § 6-54)

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Secs. 8-62—8-80. - Reserved.  
ARTICLE III. – RESERVED  
Secs. 8-81—8-198. - Reserved.

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*EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE:*

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.

*ADOPTED BY AFFIRMATIVE VOTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, VIRGINIA, AS EVIDENCED BY THE FOLLOWING RECORDED VOTES:*

DATE: October 13, 2020                      VOTE:            5   FOR;            0   AGAINST

Mayor Thomas H. Sibold, Jr.                      FOR

V. Mayor David S. Crosier                      FOR

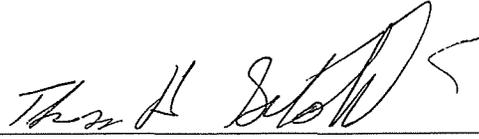
Councilman Edmond "Eddie Joe" Entsminger                      FOR

Councilman Raymond C. Hunter

FOR

Councilman Stephen A. Tucker

FOR



Thomas H. Sibold, Mayor

Attest:



Rebecca Scott, City Clerk