

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-004

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARLINGTON, WASHINGTON
AMENDING TITLE 15 OF THE ARLINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO FIRE REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Arlington, Washington has the authority to adopt ordinances for the general welfare and safety of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, certain provisions of the Arlington Municipal Code are outdated and require revision; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Arlington has requested revisions be made to Title 15, relating to fire regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Arlington do hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Arlington Municipal Code (AMC) Title 15 shall be amended to read as set forth in Exhibit “A” hereto.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision, section, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 3. Effective Date. The Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

PASSED BY the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 2nd day of June, 2025.

CITY OF ARLINGTON

Don E. Vanney, Mayor

Attest:

Wendy Van Der Meersche, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Emily Romanenko
Deputy City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Title 15 - FIRE REGULATIONS

- Chapter 15.10 - INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE ^[1]

Footnotes:

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Editor's note— The title of Ch. 15.10 was amended by Ord. 1341 § 1.

15.10.010 - Title.

This chapter shall be known as the fire code of the city of Arlington.

15.10.020 - Document adopted by reference.

The current edition of the International Fire Code, including the following chapters of its appendix: B, D, E, F, G, H, I , as published by the International Code Council as set forth in Washington Administrative Code Chapter 51-54 and adopted by the state building code council under the provisions of RCW 19.27, is adopted by reference as the city's fire code.

15.10.030 - Administration and enforcement—Rules and regulations.

The city council may, upon notice and hearing, promulgate, adopt, and issue those rules and regulations necessary for the effective and efficient administration of this code.

15.10.040 - Administration and enforcement—Fire Chief authority.

The NCRFA Fire Chief, or their designee, shall be deemed to be the "fire code official" as defined in Section 202 of the International Fire Code. The International Fire Code shall be administered and enforced by the fire code official of the city.

15.10.050 - Administration and enforcement—Inspections.

The fire code official shall have the authority to assess fees for failure to make corrections of fire or life/safety notifications as conducted by the fire code official or his/her designee through the city of Arlington Community and Economic Development Department's inspection program. Fees for initial inspections and subsequent re-inspections are detailed in the city's adopted Fee Schedule.

15.10.060 - Liability limitations.

Nothing contained in this chapter or in the International Fire Code is intended to be, nor shall be, construed to create or form the basis for any liability on the part of the city or its officers, employees or agents, for any injury or damage resulting from the failure of a building to conform to the provisions of the International Fire Code.

15.10.070 - Amendments.

The following sections of the International Fire Code shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 101.1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the Fire Code of the City of Arlington, hereinafter referred to as "this code."

Section 103.1 General. The Building Division of Arlington's Community and Economic Development Department, shall administer the Fire Inspection/Prevention program, in conjunction with the city's contracted fire suppression vendor, also known as North County Fire/EMS, under the direction of the fire

code official. The function of the department shall be the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of this code.

Section 105.1.1 Permits Required. Operational Permits required by this code shall be applied for and obtained through the City of Arlington's Community and Economic Development Department. Fees, if any, shall be paid prior to issuance of the permit. Issued permits shall be kept on the premises designated therein at all times and shall be readily available for inspection by the Fire Code Official or his/her designee.

Section 105.4.1 Submittals. Submittals shall be made to the City of Arlington's Community and Economic Development Department. Construction documents shall be submitted electronically and in such form and detail as required by the Building Official.

Section 108 Board of Appeals. If an appeal is filed, the appeal shall be processed through the City's hearing examiner process.

Section 501.4 Timing of Installation. When fire apparatus access roads or a water supply for fire protection is required to be installed, such protection shall be installed and made serviceable prior to issuance of any building permit for the project, except grading permits, and during the time of construction, except when approved alternative methods of protection are provided. Temporary street signs shall be installed at each street intersection when construction of new roadways allows passage by vehicles in accordance with Section 505.2.

Section 503.1.4 Obstruction prohibited. Parking of motor vehicles or otherwise obstructing marked fire lanes is prohibited and said vehicle is subject to be towed at the owner's expense.

Section 503.3 Signs. When required by the Fire Code Official, identified fire access roads shall be identified with permanent approved signage that indicates FIRE LANE-NO PARKING-TOW AWAY ZONE. Signs shall be permanently mounted in locations as directed by the Fire Code Official. The use of ground level markings on pavement, curbing or other shall only be allowed in applications as approved by the Fire Code Official.

Section 503.7 Enforcement. Enforcement of Section 503.1.4 of the International Fire Code shall be the responsibility of the City Police Department which shall have the authority to impound or otherwise cause such obstruction to be removed.

Section 507.5.1 Where Required. Where a portion of the facility or building hereafter constructed or moved into or within the jurisdiction is more than 300 feet from a hydrant on a fire apparatus access road, as measured by an approved route around the exterior of the facility or building, on-site fire hydrants and mains shall be provided where required by the Fire Code Official.

Section 901.7.7 is added to read as follows:

Replacing systems to service. When a fire alarm control panel needs replacing or is no longer serviceable, the entire building must comply with current codes.

Section 903.2.1.1 Group A-1

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout stories containing Group A-1 occupancies and throughout all stories from the Group A-1 occupancy to and including the levels of exit discharge serving that occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

1. The fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet.
2. The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more.
3. The fire area is located on a floor other than a level of exit discharge serving such occupancies.
4. The fire area contains a multiple-theater complex.

Section 903.2.1.3 Group A-3

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout stories containing Group A-3 occupancies and throughout all stories from the Group A-3 occupancy to and including the levels of exit discharge serving that occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

1. The fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet.
2. The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more.
3. The fire area is located on a floor other than a level of exit discharge serving such occupancies.

Section 903.2.1.4 Group A-4

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout stories containing Group A-4 occupancies and throughout all stories from the

Group A-4 occupancy to and including the levels of exit discharge serving that occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

1. The fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet.
2. The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more.
3. The fire area is located on a floor other than a level of exit discharge serving such occupancies.

Section 903.2.4 Group F

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout all buildings containing a Group F-1 occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

1. A Group F-1 fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet.
2. A Group F-1 fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane.
3. The combined area of all Group F-1 fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 8,000 square feet.
4. Where a Group F-2 fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet.

Section 903.2.7 Group B or Group M

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout buildings containing a Group B or Group M occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

1. A Group B or Group M fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet (743 square meters).

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2. A Group B or Group M fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane.
 3. The combined area of all Group B or Group M fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 8,000 square feet (743 square meters).

Section 903.2.9 Group S

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout all buildings containing a Group S occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

1. A Group S fire area exceeds 8,000 square feet.
2. A Group S fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane.
3. The combined area of all Group S fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 8,000 square feet (743 square meters).
4. A Group S fire area used for the storage of commercial motor vehicles where the fire area exceeds 5,000 square feet (464 square meters).
5. In all Group S mini-storage occupancies.

Section 903.2.9.1 Repair Garages

An automatic sprinkler system must be provided throughout all buildings used as repair garages in accordance with Section 406.8 of the International Building Code, as shown:

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1. Buildings having two or more stories above grade plane, including basements, with a fire area containing a repair garage exceeding 8,000 square feet (743 square meters).
 2. Buildings not more than one story above grade plane, with a fire area containing a repair garage exceeding 8,000 square feet (743 square meters).
 3. Buildings with repair garages servicing vehicles parked in basements.
 4. Groups S-1 fire area used for the repair of commercial motor vehicles where the fire area exceeds 5,000 square feet (464 square meters).
 5. Repair garages where the use of open [flame](#) or welding is conducted with a fire area exceeding 3,000 square feet.

Section 903.2.9.2 Bulk Storage of Tires

Buildings and structures where the area for the storage of tires exceeds 8,000 cubic feet (226 cubic meters) must be equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1.

Section 903.3.1.1_NFPA 13 sprinkler systems.

Where the provisions of this code required that a building or portion thereof be equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with this section, sprinklers shall be installed throughout in accordance with NFPA 13 except as provided in Section 903.1.1.1.

Section 903.3.1.1.2 Bathrooms.

In Group R occupancies, sprinklers shall be required in all bathrooms located within individual dwelling units or sleeping units.

Section 903.3.1.2 NFPA 13R sprinkler systems.

Automatic sprinkler systems in Group R occupancies up to and including four stories in height in buildings not exceeding 60 feet in height above grade plane shall be permitted to be installed throughout in accordance with NFPA 13R.

The number of stories of Group R occupancies constructed in accordance with Sections 510.2 and 510.4 of the *International Building Code* shall be measured from *grade plane*.

Section 903.3.1.2.1 Balconies and Decks.

Sprinkler protection shall be provided for exterior balconies, decks and ground floor patios of dwelling units and sleeping units. Sidewall sprinklers that are used to protect such areas shall be permitted to be located such that their deflectors are within 1 inch (25 mm) to 6 inches (152 mm) below the structural members and a maximum distance of 14 inches (356 mm) below the deck of the exterior balconies and decks that are constructed of open wood joist construction. Sprinklers shall also be installed in all closets (whether in living areas or attached to the patio/balcony), pantries, storage rooms, and attached garage(s).

Section 905.3.1 Height. Shall be amended to read:

A standpipe system, as determined by the Fire Code Official, shall be installed throughout buildings where any of the following conditions exist:

Section 912.2 Fire Department Connections. The location of fire department connections shall be approved by the fire code official.

Chapter 15.12 - FIRE ALARMS

15.12.010 - Obstruction of fire extinguishment.

Any person who, with intent to prevent, obstruct, or delay the extinguishment of any fire, does prevent, obstruct, or delay the extinguishment of any fire, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

15.12.020 - Obstruction of the fire department.

Every person who, at the burning of any building or any life rescue scene, disobeys the lawful orders of a public officer or fire official or resists or interferes with the lawful efforts of any firefighters, or company of firefighters to extinguish the fire and save said life, or who forbids, prevents or dissuades others from assisting therewith, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

15.12.030 - False fire alarms.

Any person who knowingly causes or makes any false fire alarm, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Editor's note— Ord. No. 2010-011, § 8, adopted June 17, 2010, repealed § 15.12.040, which pertained to maliciously setting fire or permitting the spread and derived from Ord. 592, § 1, 1970; Ord. 770, § 1, 1981.

15.12.040 - Fire or explosion-damaged buildings.

The owner, occupant, or other person having under their control any property or materials on a property damaged by fire or explosion shall, when ordered by the fire code official, immediately secure the property against entry or unauthorized access by the public, by boarding up all openings, fencing, barricading or utilizing other appropriate measures. Within 30 days after written notice to do so has been served, all debris and/or damaged materials shall be removed from the property and proof furnished that contractual arrangements have been made for prompt demolition, replacement, or repair of all fire or explosion-damaged structures remaining on the property involved in the fire or explosion.

15.12.050 – Mobile food preparation vehicles.

A permit is required for food preparation vehicles equipped with appliances that produce smoke or grease-laden vapors or utilize LP-gas or CNG systems. A permit issued by a public fire agency approved by the fire code official may be accepted in lieu of a city of Arlington operational permit.

Chapter 15.16 - FIREWORKS^[2]

Footnotes:

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For statutory provisions relating to the sale and discharge of fireworks, see RCW 70.77.

15.16.010 - Intent.

It is expressly the purpose of this chapter to provide for and promote the health, safety, and welfare of the general public and not to create or otherwise establish or

designate any particular class or group of persons who will or should be especially protected or benefited by the terms of this chapter. It is the specific intent of this chapter that no provision or term used in this chapter is intended to impose any duty whatsoever upon the city or any of its officers or employees. Nothing contained in this chapter is intended nor will be construed to create or form the basis of any liability on the part of the city, or its officers, employees or agents, for any injury or damage resulting from any action or inaction on the part of the city related in any manner to the enforcement of this chapter by its officers, employees or agents.

15.16.020 - Title.

This chapter will be known and cited as the "Fireworks Ordinance of the City of Arlington."

15.16.030 - Definitions.

The definitions of Chapter 70.77 RCW, as now enacted or subsequently amended, are adopted by reference and shall govern the construction of this chapter, when applicable.

15.16.040 - Possession, use and discharge of fireworks unlawful.

- A. It is unlawful for any person to possess, use, sell, transfer, discharge, ignite, or explode any fireworks within the city; provided that this prohibition shall not apply to the following activities, when authorized by a state license and city permit:
 - 1. Duly authorized public displays, as provided in Chapter 70.77 RCW; and
 - 2. Duly authorized use by religious organizations or private organizations or persons for religious or other specific purposes on an approved date and

in an approved location, as provided in RCW 70.77.311, and authorized by the fire code official or Arlington fire marshal.

- B. Trick and novelty devices, as defined by state law, are not fireworks for the purposes of this chapter.
- C. This chapter does not prohibit the use of torpedoes, flares, or fuses by motor vehicles, railroads, or other transportation agencies for signal purposes or illumination or for use in forest protection activities.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 3, adopted May 18, 2020, changed the title of § 15.16.040 from "License required" to read as herein set out.

15.16.050 - Public displays, when permitted.

It is unlawful for any person to hold, conduct or engage in a public display of fireworks within the city without first having obtained and being the holder of a valid permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 4, adopted May 18, 2020, changed the title of § 15.16.050 from "License application" to read as herein set out.

15.16.060 - Public display permit—Applications, permits.

A person desiring to make a public display of fireworks shall apply in writing for a permit to hold, conduct or operate a public display of fireworks to the fire code official or Arlington fire marshal at least sixty days prior to the scheduled event. Applicants shall meet all qualifications and requirements of state law regarding public display of fireworks and all fire and safety requirements as set forth in the standards for public display. Applicants shall pay permit fees as required by the city fee resolution.

The application must include:

- (1) A copy of the applicant's Washington state pyrotechnic operator license (or the pyrotechnic operator license of the applicant's employee who will conduct the public display);
- (2) Evidence of a bond issued by an authorized surety or a certificate of public liability insurance;
- (3) A drawing showing a plan view of the fireworks discharge site and the surrounding area within a five hundred-foot radius;
- (4) The exact location, date and time of the proposed display; and
- (5) The number, type and class of fireworks to be displayed, the manner in which the fireworks are being stored prior to the public fireworks display.

The Fire Code Official, or fire marshal shall investigate whether the character and location of the display as proposed would be hazardous to property or dangerous to any person.

The fire marshal may grant a permit, deny the same, or impose other requirements on the applicant as needed to protect the public safety.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 5, adopted May 18, 2020, changed the title of § 15.16.060 from "Lawful sale dates" to read as herein set out.

15.16.070 - Public display permits—Transfer.

Each public display permit issued pursuant to this chapter shall be valid for the specific authorized public display event only, shall be used only by the designated permittee and shall be nontransferable. Any transfer or unauthorized use of a permit is a violation of this chapter and shall void the permit granted in addition to all other sanctions provided in this code.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 6, adopted May 18, 2020, changed the title of § 15.16.070 from "Firework discharge dates" to read as herein set out.

15.16.080 - Violation penalties.

A. Any person possessing, using, discharging, igniting, or exploding any consumer firework in violation of this chapter has committed a civil infraction.

1. For a period of three hundred sixty-five days after the effective date of this chapter, a violation of this subsection shall be a class 3 civil infraction.

2. For the period beginning on the three hundred sixty-sixth day after the effective date of this chapter until the seven hundred thirtieth day after the effective date of this chapter, a violation of this subsection shall be a class 2 civil infraction.

3. Beginning on the seven hundred thirty-first day after the effective date of this chapter, a violation of this subsection shall be a class 1 civil infraction.

4. The penalties and assessments for each class of infraction shall be as set by state law. Base penalties shall be as set forth in RCW 7.80.120 as now enacted or subsequently amended. Public safety and education assessments shall be as set forth in RCW 3.62.090 as now enacted or subsequently amended. The base penalty amounts and public safety and education assessments at the time of the adoption of this chapter are shown in the table below. The table is for illustrative purposes only and the amount of the base fine and the public safety and education assessments shall be as provided by state law.

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Class	Base penalty per RCW 7.80.120	Public Safety and Education Assessment per RCW 3.62.090(1)	Public Safety and Education Assessment per RCW 3.62.090(2)	Total Fine

Class 1	250	175	88	513
Class 2	125	88	44	257
Class 3	50	35	18	103

B. Any person selling or transferring any consumer firework in violation of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor.

C. Any person possessing, using, selling, transferring, discharging, igniting, or exploding any display firework in violation of this chapter is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

D. Any person possessing, using, selling, transferring, discharging, igniting, or exploding any dangerous firework, as defined by state law, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

E. Any fireworks that are possessed or used in violation of this chapter may be confiscated.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 7, adopted May 18, 2020, changed the title of § 15.16.080 from "Public firework displays" to read as herein set out.

15.16.090 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.090 which pertained to specialized operations, and derived from Ord. 471, § 9, adopted in 1963; Ord. 770, § 2, adopted in 1981; and Ord. 1284, § 8, adopted in 2002.

15.16.100 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.100 which pertained to operation of firework stands, and derived from Ord. 471, § 10, adopted in 1963; Ord. 770, § 2, adopted in 1981; and Ord. 1284, § 9, adopted in 2002.

15.16.110 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.110 which pertained to temporary firework stands, and derived from Ord. 471, § 11, adopted in 1963; Ord. 770, § 2, adopted in 1981; Ord. 1284, § 10, adopted in 2002; and Ord. No. 2010-011, § 11, adopted June 17, 2010.

15.16.120 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.120 which pertained to fireworks seizure proceedings, and derived from Ord. 471, § 12, adopted in 1963; Ord. 770, § 2, adopted in 1981; Ord. 1284, § 11, adopted in 2002; and Ord. No. 2010-011, § 12, adopted June 17, 2010.

15.16.130 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.130 which pertained to general duty, and derived from Ord. 1284, § 12, adopted in 2002; and Ord. No. 2010-011, § 13, adopted June 17, 2010.

15.16.140 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.140 which pertained to savings, and derived from Ord. 1284, § 13, adopted in 2002.

15.16.150 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. [2020-011](#), § 8, adopted May 18, 2020, repealed § 15.16.150 which pertained to violation penalties, and derived from Ord. 1284, § 14, adopted in 2002.

Chapter 15.20 - FIRE HYDRANTS

15.20.010—15.20.150. - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. 2010-011, §§ 14—28, adopted June 17, 2010, repealed §§ 15.20.010—15.20.150, which pertained to fire hydrants. For complete derivation see the Code Comparative Table and Disposition List.

15.20.160 - Obstruction of visibility.

No one shall plant or allow vegetation or trees within three feet of a fire hydrant. No one shall plant or allow vegetation or trees, erect any structure, park any motor vehicle, including, but not limited to, boats, trailers and so forth, and no activity may be conducted on the city property or, rights-of-way which results in the obstruction of visibility or accessibility to a fire hydrant for a distance of twenty feet. Both the owner and occupant of any privately owned property on which a hydrant is located shall be responsible for removing weed and tree growth from around the hydrant and shall maintain clear access. The purpose of this section is to assure that the hydrant is plainly visible.

15.20.170 - Reserved.

Editor's note— Ord. No. 2010-011, § 30, adopted June 17, 2010, repealed § 15.20.170, which pertained to permit required for private use. For complete derivation see the Code Comparative Table and Disposition List.

15.20.180 - Penalty.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this chapter is guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this chapter is committed, continued or permitted, and upon conviction of any such violation such person shall be punished as provided in Section [1.04.010](#) of Arlington Municipal Code. Such penalty shall be in addition to any other remedy provided by law.

Chapter 15.24 - STORAGE OF FLAMMABLE AND COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS

15.24.010 - Storage of flammable and combustible liquids in outside aboveground tanks prohibited; exceptions.

- A. Bulk plants for the manufacture of flammable or combustible liquids are not permitted within the corporate limits of the city except as provided in Section [15.24.030](#).
- B. Bulk storage facilities for storage or the dispensing of flammable liquids, combustible liquids and liquid compressed gases are not permitted within the corporate limits of the city except as provided in Section [15.24.030](#).
- C. Cylinders in bulk storage that are accessory to the primary use are permitted when located in control areas and in compliance with the International Fire Code (IFC).
- D. Building heating systems with a water capacity of three hundred gallons or less are exempt from the requirements of this chapter.

15.24.020 - Operating permit.

Any person proposing to store any flammable or combustible liquids in excess of fifty gallons shall make written application for an operating permit to the building official.

15.24.030 - Bulk storage facilities.

A. Bulk storage facilities for keeping or storage of flammable liquids, combustible liquids and liquid compressed gases may be erected and maintained within the city in those areas zoned General Industrial, as defined in the Land Use Code of the city, provided that the erection and maintenance of the installation are conducted in compliance with all applicable codes and standards. Any single tank, or all combined tanks shall not exceed thirty thousand gallons. An operating permit is required and shall be issued by the building or fire official.

B. Bulk storage facilities for keeping or storage of flammable liquids, combustible liquids and liquid compressed gases may be erected and maintained within the city in those areas zoned Light Industrial and Aviation Flightline, as defined in the Land Use Code of the city, provided that the erection and maintenance of the installation are conducted in compliance with all applicable codes and standards. Single tank capacity is limited to twelve thousand gallons with all tanks not exceeding twenty-four thousand gallons. An operating permit is required and shall be issued by the building or fire official.

C. Storage facilities for the keeping or storage of flammable liquids, combustible liquids and liquid compressed gases may be erected and maintained within the city in those areas zoned commercial or residential, as defined by the Land Use Code of the city, provided that the installation is approved by the city council and a SEPA has been conducted indicating that no significant adverse environmental impact would be created. If approved, the erection, installation and maintenance

shall comply with all applicable codes and standards. An operating permit is required and shall be issued by the building or fire official.

D. Manufacturing facilities of flammable liquids, combustible liquids and liquid compressed gases may be erected and maintained within the city in those areas zoned General Industrial, as defined in the Land Use Code of the city, provided that:

- (1) The erection and maintenance of the installation are conducted in compliance with all applicable codes and standards;
- (2) The installation is approved by the city council; and
- (3) The project is in compliance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and all significant adverse environmental impacts have been mitigated. If approved, the erection, installation and maintenance shall comply with all applicable codes and standards. An operating permit is required and shall be issued by the building or fire official.

15.24.040 – *Reserved*

15.24.050 Restricted access building

A. Where a building or portion of a building is so located or constructed with grades; elevations; vegetation; or other natural or manmade obstacles which make exterior or interior access and/or use by fire apparatus; equipment; or personnel unduly difficult; unsafe; or impossible, additional safeguards may be required by the Fire Code Official. Where such access is being proposed as part of a land subdivision, the Fire Code Official may declare a proposed lot un-accessible and therefore deny that proposed lot. Safeguards may consist of one or more of the following applicable items or alternates

suitable for firefighting, fire protection, EMS, and/or rescue operations as specified by the Fire Code Official:

1. Automatic fire sprinkler throughout.
2. Smoke detection system.
3. Automatic fire alarm systems.
4. Communication systems.
 - i. Voice alarm system;
 - ii. Public address system;
 - iii. Fire Department communication system.
5. Central control station.
6. Smoke control systems.
7. Emergency elevator systems.
8. Emergency exits.
9. Emergency areas of refuge including horizontal exits and smoke-proof enclosures.
10. Vertical and horizontal standpipes.
11. Standby power, light, and emergency systems.
12. Emergency medical services-sized elevator (four-foot x seven-foot clear interior).
13. Reduction or deletion of non-sprinklered areas.
14. Fire-resistive construction.
15. Noncombustible siding (limited, protected, or no openings).
16. NFPA 13-compliant sprinkler coverage.
17. Brushed concrete access drive or similar.
18. Firefighter access stairs/ramps.

19. Ladder operations area (not just aerial but also ground ladders).
20. Electrically controlled access doors or gates provided with emergency services override (strobe, radio, etc.).
21. Dedicated emergency service access and parking areas.

B. All systems shall meet the design requirements set forth in the International Building Code, International Fire Code, International Residential Code, standards promulgated by the National Fire Protection Association, or any appropriate codes, standards or ordinances adopted by the city, including the provisions of this chapter.