
**THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2023-003**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING TITLE IX
("GENERAL REGULATIONS"), CHAPTER 97 ("ALARM
SYSTEMS") OF THE BLUE ISLAND CITY CODE IN
RELATION TO FIRE ALARMS**

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WHEREAS, the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois (the “City”) is a duly organized and existing City created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, with full powers to enact ordinances and adopt resolutions for the benefits of the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Aldermen may from time to time amend ordinances of the City when it is determined to be in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Code currently references service charges in the fee and fine schedule of the City Code for fire alarms; but those service charges are not described in the fee and fine schedule. Therefore, in order to update the City Code to appropriately reflect service charges for false alarms and violations of the alarm systems code, amendments to the Code are proposed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Alderman have reviewed the current ordinance and have determined that it is necessary to amend the Code to bring the service charge for false alarms and fines for violation of the fire alarm city code up to date; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Aldermen find that the following amendments to Title IX, Chapter 97 of the City Code, as set forth herein, are in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Aldermen of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. That the Mayor and City Aldermen find and determine that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the City as well as in the best interests of the public.

Section 3. That Section 97.06 (“*False Alarms Subject to Service and Surcharges*”) of Title IX (“*General Regulations*”) is hereby amended by striking language and adding underlined language as follows:

97.06 FALSE ALARMS SUBJECT TO SERVICE AND SURCHARGES.

(A) A fire alarm user shall be charged a service charge as set forth ~~in the city’s fee and fine schedule~~ below for each false alarm if such false fire alarm is:

- (1) Given intentionally;
- (2) Due or caused by a lack of required maintenance as specified in the National Fire Protection Association Code § 72; or
- (3) Resulting from any test, repair, alteration or addition to the fire protection system without prior notification thereof to the Fire Department.

(B) A fire alarm user shall be charged for a false alarm in the following manner:

- (1) For the first ~~three~~ and second false alarms in a 365- day period, such period beginning on the date of the first fire alarm and ending 365 days thereafter, a warning letter will be issued; and
- (2) For each additional and subsequent false alarm in a 365 day period, as defined in subsection (1) above, a service charge of \$500.00 will be assessed. ~~as set forth in the city’s fee and fine schedule.~~

~~—(C) An alarm user shall be charged a permit fee surcharge as set forth in the city’s fee and fine schedule for each false alarm as defined herein if the user has had in excess of two false alarms during a 365-day period, as defined in this section.~~

(D) Payment of surcharge: all permit fee surcharges assessed pursuant to division ~~(C)~~ (B) above and as specified from time to time in the city’s fee and fine schedule shall be paid by the alarm user within 30 days after billing. No permits shall be renewed or reissued for police or for fire alarms unless and until all prior permit fee surcharges have been paid.

Section 4. That Section 97.99 (“*Penalty*”) of Title IX (“*General Regulations*”) is hereby amended by striking language and adding underlined language as follows:

97.99 PENALTY.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any alarm user to install, modify or repair an alarm system without first notifying the Chief. It shall further be a violation of this subchapter for an alarm user to permit any false alarm as a result of such installation, modification or repair.

(B) Any alarm user who does not have a valid alarm user permit will be assessed a fine in the amount set forth in the city’s fee and fine schedule not below Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00). ~~for each notice of an activation of an alarm system at a premises.~~

~~—(C) Any person violating any provisions of this chapter shall be fined as provided in the city’s fee and fine schedule and~~ Each day during which a violation continues or is permitted to exist shall be considered a separate and distinct offense.

Section 5. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 6. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

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ADOPTED this 10th day of **January, 2023**, pursuant to roll call as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT	ABSTAIN
Alderman JOHNSON	X				
Alderman FAHRENWALD	X				
Alderman RITA	X				
Alderman MONTOYA	X				
Alderman MCGEE	X				
Alderman CARR	X				
Alderman ROLL	X				
Mayor BILOTTO					
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APPROVED by the Mayor on **January 10, 2023**.

FRED BILOTTO
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this
10th day of **JANUARY, 2023**.

RAEANN CANELO-ZYLMAN, CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this
10th day of **JANUARY, 2023**.

RAEANN CANELO-ZYLMAN, CITY CLERK

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF COOK)

ss.

CERTIFICATION

I, RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I am the duly elected City Clerk of the City of Blue Island, Illinois, as such City Clerk, I am the keeper of the minutes and records of the Proceedings of the City Council of the said City and have in my custody the ORDINANCE and BOOKS of the records of said City.

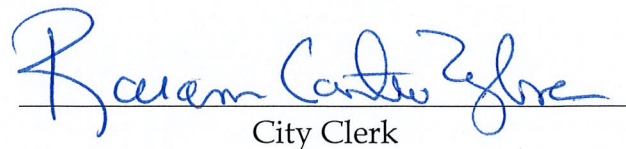
I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the attached and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the certain **ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING TITLE IX (“GENERAL REGULATIONS”), CHAPTER 97 (“ALARM SYSTEMS”) OF THE BLUE ISLAND CITY CODE IN RELATION TO FIRE ALARMS.**

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-003 which was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island, Illinois held on the **10th day of January, 2023**; that at said meeting **7** Alderman were present; that at said meeting, on motion duly made and seconded that the Ordinance did pass and on the roll being called the vote of each Aldermen present on the question of the passage of said Ordinance was duly and separately taken by Ayes and Nays and their names and votes recorded in the minutes of **7** Alderman voted Aye and **0** Alderman voted Nay and **0** Alderman voted Abstain and **0** Alderman Absent.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the original Ordinance which the foregoing is a true copy, is entrusted to my care for safe keeping, and that I am the lawful keeper of the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of the City of Blue Island aforesaid, at the said City in the County and State aforesaid, this **10th** day of **January, 2023**.

CORPORATE SEAL



City Clerk



STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

CERTIFICATE

I, RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Blue Island of Cook County, Illinois.

I further certify that on **JANUARY 10, 2023** the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. **2023 - 003** Entitled: **ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING TITLE IX ("GENERAL REGULATIONS"), CHAPTER 97 ("ALARM SYSTEMS") OF THE BLUE ISLAND CITY CODE IN RELATION TO FIRE ALARMS.**

Which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. **2023 - 003** including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance posted in the municipal building commencing on **January 10, 2023** and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Blue Island, Illinois, this **10th** day of **January, 2023**.

CORPORATE SEAL


CITY CLERK

